

The Salzburg Centre of European Union Studies (SCEUS) is looking for **five doctoral students** for the period of October 2017 to September 2020. SCEUS invites applications from interested students to contribute with their research projects to the topic of "**Challenges of European Integration**". Applicants with research interests in pertinent challenges of European integration from the perspectives of political science, law, or economics are highly welcome.

The doctoral students are selected by an Admission Committee. Doctoral students will receive a gross monthly salary of € 2.022,40 (14 x a year) according to § 26 of the wage agreement of the universities for university assistants (doctoral students). It might be higher according to the norms of the wage agreement, depending on previous employments in the specific field.

The Salzburg Centre of European Union Studies (SCEUS) was established in 2005 as an interdisciplinary Centre at the University of Salzburg. Research and teaching at the Centre focus on the dynamics of European integration from legal, political science, economic and related disciplines' perspectives. Since 2008, SCEUS has run a doctoral college, comprising doctoral students from various countries and disciplines, and financed by the Swiss Humer Foundation. Owing to the good faculty/researcher ratio, the Centre provides excellent research facilities and a supportive environment. Students enjoy close supervision by professors of the University of Salzburg and invited international scholars, and will spend one semester at a foreign university or research institution with special expertise in their field. You can find more information on the Centre at www.uni-salzburg.at/sceus.

Requirements:

- Master's degree in the respective discipline. The degree has to be completed by no later than 30 September 2017.
- Nationality is not a criterion, internationality an asset.
- Fluency in English (working language of the doctoral college is English).
- Good skills in social science or legal methods and willingness to engage in further method training.

The application should encompass:

- CV
- Letter of motivation
- A short proposal for a dissertation project which matches the overall topic of "Challenges of European integration".
- Portfolio of 1-3 of the applicant's best seminar papers (preferably on issues related to European integration).
- Grade report (documenting all courses and exams the applicant has taken at his/her university) and, if already available, a copy of the applicant's master's degree.
- Two references (i.e. names & addresses of two university professors / teachers who know the candidate).

Application and selection process:

- Applications should be submitted no later than **20 January, 2017** by regular postal service to:

Salzburg Centre of European Union Studies
Mönchsberg 2
A-5020 Salzburg/Austria

- A copy of the application (compiled in a single PDF-file) should be sent to sceus@sbg.ac.at
- Documents can be submitted in English or German, the letter of motivation in English only.