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Dear doctoral students,
Dear graduates,

In this May-newsletter we would like to inform you about announcements and events which might be of interest for your doctoral studies.

With kind regards from the Office of the Dean of Studies of the Faculty of Social Sciences,

Martin Ertelt

Hamburg Institute for Social Research (HIS) - Five Doctoral Scholarships and Two Postdoctoral Positions – Interdisciplinary Research Group on Macro-Violence

The HIS is about to establish an interdisciplinary research group on macro-violence and invites young scholars from disciplines such as sociology, political science, history, anthropology, etc. to apply. Most welcome are projects which
a) focus on macro-violence by using a distinct theoretical approach and/or
b) analyze macro-violence from a comparative perspective and/or
c) look into the role of violence in processes of institution-building by analyzing, for example, the interrelationship between violence and capitalism, violence and law, etc.
Please find more information here.

Information from the GGG
The new PhD-representatives of GGG
In march 2015, Julia Gumula and Rüdiger Hesse were elected as new PhD-representatives of the GGG. The PhD-representatives actively participate in organizing the graduate school in the executive board and represent the interests of the different PhD-students in the social sciences. The new representatives' term lasts from April 2015 until March 2016.

New project for first-generation PhD-students
At the end of 2014 the new GGG project "Building Bridges for PhD-students" started. It helps PhD-students coming from non-academic families to receive funding and support on their way to a doctoral degree. You can read all about this project and its first activities here.

Workshop "Processes and Structures of Power in Academia"
Within the project "Building Bridges for PhD-Students" the workshop "Processes and Structures of Power in Academia" will be taking place on **June 25.** The workshop will be given by Susanne Peter (karrierekunst, Bremen). All current and prospective first-generation PhD-students of the GGG are very welcome. The workshop will be in German only.
Our own perception and behavior is influenced by different aspects, just as is our fellows'. With regard to an academic career, especially the categories "gender" and "social background" play an important role. By shifting our point of view, the everyday perspective on the correlation of social inhomogeneity, social background, and gender will be reflected. Furthermore, the social production of distinction and integration will be questioned.
Further information and registration until June 8 can be found here.

Registration for GGG-courses starting May 18
As of **May 18**, PhD-students of GGG can enroll for the courses of the third quarter 2015 at ggg.kursanmeldung@uni-goettingen.de. Detailed information on GGG courses and on further courses for PhD-students offered by cooperating institutions can be found here.

GGG Welcome Day 2015 on June 10, 2015
In case you just started your PhD or simply have questions concerning the GGG's offers for PhD-students, the GGG Welcome Day is the right thing for you. The PhD-representatives and members of the team will answer your questions and provide information on new measures and events of the GGG in the large seminar room of the Conference Center at the Historical Observatory on Wednesday, June 10, starting at 4 pm. In addition, there will be many possibilities for networking at the subsequent barbeque in the conference centre's garden. You may find further details on the GGG homepage.
For registration, please contact the GGG until **June 5**, 2015.

GGG Methodological Week 2015 (registration starting June 29, 2015)
This year's Methodological Week will be taking place from September **14 to September 17**. The program includes workshops on basics and methods of qualitative social research, analyses using SPSS as well as discourse analysis and more. Further information can be found here. Registration is possible from **29.06. to 02.08.2015**.

Events of the Helpdesk of GGG for International PhD-students
-English Movie Night on May 29, 2015
GGG invites you to join the English Movie Night for the Indian comedy-drama "English Vinglish". Further information and registration can be found here.
-Field trip to Mount Brocken on June 13, 2015
Together with the team of Studium International the GGG plans to go on a one-day field trip to the Harz National Park. There, the Harz Narrow Gauge Railway will take us to the summit of Mount Brocken, the highest mountain in northern Germany! Further information and registration can be found here.
-Visit to the Victoria Nights on July 22, 2015
The GGG wants to spend an evening in the old Botanical Garden and visits the exhibition "Marvelous Underwater Worlds". GGG invites you also to take a chance to see the rare Victoria water lily in full bloom! Further information and registration can be found here.