

**Call for Candidates**  
**Doctoral Program in Environment & Society**  
**LMU Munich, Germany**

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The Doctoral Program in Environment and Society invites applications from graduates in the humanities and social sciences who wish to research the complex relationships between environment and society within an interdisciplinary setting. Our program is based at the Rachel Carson Center for Environment and Society (RCC), a joint initiative of LMU Munich and the Deutsches Museum. The RCC is an international center for research and education in the environmental humanities and social sciences: its mission is to advance research and discussion concerning the interrelationship between humans and nature.

The RCC and its partner institutions ensure that all doctoral students have access to a lively research community of international and interdisciplinary scholars. All doctoral students have a permanent workspace at the RCC or the Deutsches Museum, a program of regular colloquia, workshops, and talks by visiting academics; excellent supervision by members of the academic board; and a sociable and diverse peer group.

The program does not offer scholarships for doctoral candidates, but can assist students who apply for external funding: limited funding is available for conference travel and archival or field research. Applicants wishing to be admitted to this doctoral program must hold a Master's degree from a recognized university, show evidence of excellence in their field of study, and present a plan for a doctoral project in one of the following areas or combination of areas:

- Environmental History, History of Science and Technology
- Environmental Humanities, Literature and Environment
- Art and the Environment in Historical Perspective
- Environmental Sociology, Political Economy
- Energy and Resource Economics for Sustainability
- Geography, Human-Environment Relations
- Geology and Natural Catastrophes
- Bioarchaeology, Life Sciences in Society
- Environmental Law
- Environmental Policy (Comparative and International) , Politics of Ecological Transitions
- Environmental Ethics
- Environmental Anthropology
- Inter- and Transdisciplinary Sustainability Research (e.g. on energy use, mobility or food consumption)

Please submit your application by **15 May 2018** via the online portal of the LMU Munich Graduate Center: <https://portal.graduatecenter-lmu.de/ocgc/proenviron> . Only applications submitted through the portal will be considered. Successful candidates will be notified by the end of June 2018 and will be able to join the program either in October 2018 or in April 2019. You will need the following documents for your online application:

- Certification of university degree(s) held;
- Proof of higher education entrance qualification (high school diploma or equivalent);
- Master's thesis (if in a language other than English or German, please provide a table of contents and an summary of max. 5 pages in English or German);
- An academic curriculum vitae (including publications, if applicable);
- A statement of purpose for your application to the program (no more than 2 pages);
- A research proposal (max. five pages, including bibliography, footnotes, and timetable);
- The name of a member of the Academic Board whose research interests best match the dissertation project;
- Name and contact information for two referees (university lecturers), able to give information about your suitability for the program and your academic potential.

Please note that applicants whose degrees have been in technical subjects (e.g. engineering) are unlikely to be suitable for this doctoral program. For further information on the Doctoral Program in Environment and Society, please visit:

<http://www.en.proenviron.carsoncenter.uni-muenchen.de>

Please contact us by email ([proenviron@carsoncenter.lmu.de](mailto:proenviron@carsoncenter.lmu.de)), for answers to questions not covered in our FAQ pages.