

**Ph. D. Student Mobility for Traineeships or Studies
at the Institute of Literary Research
of the Polish Academy of Sciences**

Literary Studies

Name: Ph.D. traineeship for foreign Ph.D. students at the Institute of Literary Studies of the Polish Academy of Sciences (IBL PAN)

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General information on the Institute:

The Institute of Literary Research of the Polish Academy of Sciences (IBL PAN) has been conducting research on literature and culture for over 60 years and is the country's leading center of research in areas such as history and theory of literature, critical editorship, comparative literature, as well as Holocaust, Gender, European, Postcolonial and Postcommunist Studies. The Institute has been and is employing outstanding personalities of Polish humanities and in the Communist period it used to be a mainstay of free humanistic thought and a center with much intellectual influence on the anti-Communist opposition. The Institute accomplishes its scientific mission through 3rd degree courses with the advantage of integrating Ph.D. students with eminent researchers and creating an opportunity to begin research at the Institute already during studies. The scientific and educational mission is also accomplished through cooperation with similar centers in France, Spain, Italy, United Kingdom, Hungary, Lithuania, Ukraine and Russia.

IBL PAN already has decades of experience in training Ph.D. students. It is allowed to grant doctoral degrees in literary studies. The Doctoral Studies in their contemporary form exist since 2019. Classes are held as part of the Anthropos Doctoral School, created by 9 institutes of the Polish Academy of Sciences.

The whole course is conducted as non-stationary studies and lasts four years (eight semesters). The goal of doctoral studies at IBL PAN is to give students knowledge and abilities necessary to begin scientific work in humanities in the multicultural community of modern Europe.

The winter semester runs from early October until late January and the summer semester – from the second half of February until late June.

Our tutors are outstanding scientists representing mostly the Polish Academy of Sciences.

The study program is not meant to present all elements of literary studies in a systematic way, but their purpose is to give significant insight into various disciplines through the prism of contemporary questions and problems and to show the relevance of broadly understood borders of literature and literary studies with philosophy, anthropology, psychoanalysis etc.

OFFER for Ph.D. students participating in ERASMUS+ program

Due to the relatively free form of studies (doctoral seminars once a month etc.) IBL PAN invites doctoral students from abroad to choose the form of traineeship during the stay in it.

ERASMUS participants will encounter a friendly environment which is open to various forms of cooperation.

Ph.D. students who spend time at IBL PAN during their Erasmus program have an opportunity to choose courses at Anthropos School (without having to meet requirements for individual study years) or seminars organized by various scientific teams active in IBL PAN and study mode, so that they can pursue their scientific interests and gain the number of ECTS points they need.

Every Erasmus participant can visit seminars and conducting their own research.

Conducting one's own research on a particular subject presumes:

- individual consultations with a scientific tutor selected from IBL PAN employees (at least 10 hours of consultation in one semester);
- a measurable outcome accepted by the tutor (for example an article accepted for print or seminar presentation).

It is possible to gain **5 ECTS points** during one semester by conducting one's own research.

Most classes and seminars are in Polish (some available in English), so doctoral students who want to visit them have to speak Polish at a level which allows active participation.

Beside other requirements determined by the tutor for every course, attendance has much influence on passing and gaining the required number of ECTS points.

Program and current schedule of classes at the Anthropos doctoral school can be found there: <https://anthropos.edu.pl/program-i-plan-zajec/>
Information about seminars organized at IBL PAN is best obtained from leaders of the scientific teams with which the student is interested in cooperation. Information about the teams and their leaders see: <https://ibl.waw.pl/pl/o-instytucie/pracownie-i-zespoly>

Practical and general information:

- Most of seminars take place in the same building: the Staszic Palace – in the center of Warsaw, with good connection and close to the university campus (University of Warsaw) and scientific libraries: Warsaw University Library, National Library.
- IBL PAN itself has a scientific library, which is very well equipped in books from the area of literary studies.
- ERASMUS participants are able to get help in finding a course of Polish at the right level (should there be a necessity), administrative care (help in solving problems related to staying and studying in Poland like insurance, visas and housing) and peer help (integration with other students, sightseeing and moving around in Warsaw etc.).

**For more detailed information and solving administrative problems please contact Erasmus+ Institutional Coordinator:
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