Frank Freidel Residency

Format: Research Residency with teaching and lecture opportunities
Timespan: June / July
Duration: approx. 6 weeks
Benefits: Grant of € 1,000
Housing at the University's Werner Heisenberg International Guest House
Air transportation to Leipzig and back
Substantial Research Aid (Student Assistant, Reference Librarian Support)

Resident’s Requirements:
1 block seminar (6 sessions) in a graduate setting
3 lectures on a topic of the resident’s choice (one in Leipzig or its partnering universities in the region and two other locations in Germany)

Eligibility
US Citizens or permanent residents holding a PhD in an appropriate field. The Frank Freidel Residency specifically targets scholars seeking research opportunities that allows them to strengthen contacts in Germany or Europe

Application Process:
Applicants provide a project description (approx. 2 pages, including research interests and possible topics for seminar and public lectures) and a CV (up to 3 pages). Applications are due 18 April. Applicants will be notified by 30 April.

Inaugurated in 2007, the Frank Freidel Residency allows scholars of American Studies and related fields to use the rich resources of the Frank Freidel Memorial Library at Leipzig’s American Studies Institute. The Frank Freidel Library has extensive holdings in the fields of United States history, literature, and culture, as well as access to most of the field’s most important databases. Frank Freidel Residents benefit from these resources and from the institute’s vibrant intellectual life.

In addition to pursuing their research projects, residents get an opportunity to discuss their projects with different audiences: A block seminar setting allows for interaction with graduate students in the American Studies MA program, three lectures bring the resident in touch with different scholarly communities in Germany. The residency thus integrates opportunities for research, critical interaction, and networking. By targeting US resident scholars in particular, the residency contributes to the institute’s international, transatlantic profile.