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LECTURES - SEMINARS - SPECIAL SESSIONS - VISITS TO INSTITUTES, ARCHIVES AND LIBRARIES - SCIENTIFIC TOURS

29TH JUNE – 15TH JULY 2026



WARSAW

- Lectures and Seminars of the Eastern Summer School
- Lectures – professors from Poland and abroad
- Seminars – four to choose according to the participants' research topics



SCHOOL DIPLOMAS HAVE SO FAR BEEN AWARDED TO OVER 700 GRADUATES FROM DOZENS OF COUNTRIES FROM CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE, CENTRAL ASIA, THE CAUCASUS

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THE EASTERN SUMMER SCHOOL

The Eastern Summer School (founded in 1991) has been organized since 1992 by the Centre for East European Studies at the University of Warsaw. It gathers around 20 students annually – young researchers from various fields of the humanities. School participants cannot come from Poland. The lectures are conducted by a changing group of outstanding specialists, mainly from Poland, Western Europe and America.

The School's program consists of a series of lectures, seminars (several topics to choose from), scientific tours and presentations of institutes, libraries and archives.

So far, in the years 1992–2025, thirty-five sessions of the School took place. A total of almost 100 professors taught during the sessions, over 700 listeners from 34 countries.

Graduates continue their careers in their home countries, often holding senior positions in science (Lithuania, Belarus, Ukraine, Moldova, Slovakia, the Czech Republic, Bulgaria, Sweden), archives and museums (Lithuania, Ukraine), as well as in non-governmental organizations (especially Belarus), public service and politics (Ukraine, Lithuania) and diplomacy (Ukraine, Bulgaria, Hungary) and the media (Ukraine, Belarus, Bulgaria).

Graduates and lecturers are members of an international Club of the Eastern Summer School, that was founded in 2000, during the First Congress of graduates and lecturers of the School in Warsaw. The Second Congress of graduates and lecturers of the School was held in 2002, in Brno, organized by Czech graduates. The third one took place in July 2004 in Warsaw, the Fourth took place in 2005 in Kaunas, the fifth Congress took place in 2007 in Kyiv, while the Sixth Congress took place in 2008 in Yaremche. The seventh Congress of school graduates and lecturers took place in Warsaw in 2010, the eighth took place in 2013 in Prague, and the ninth in 2015 in Warsaw, the tenth in 2017 in Odessa, the eleventh in June 2018 in Vilnius, 12 in Lviv, 13 in Sofia.

You can find more information about the past editions of the Eastern Summer School on the website
www.studium.uw.edu.pl/szkoly

CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

1. The Eastern Summer School is held between 29th June – 15th July 2026 in Warsaw.
2. The school is directed to listeners from the countries of Central and Eastern Europe, the Balkans, Central Asia and the Caucasus. Its aim is to enable students to learn about the state of research, new environments and outstanding scientists, to gain an understanding of the resources of archives and Polish libraries. The school does not allow for independent research work, rather it prepares students for future, longer academic stays in Poland.
3. The School can be offered only to the foreigners, graduates of higher education, conducting their own research, who are below 35 years of age.
4. Candidates are required to have a good knowledge of two languages of the School: Polish and English, both to the extent allowing them to understand and use lectures.
5. The School will pay special attention to application of candidates specializing in the history and coexistence of Eastern Europe.
6. The School's program consists of a series of lectures and seminars (one seminar to choose from – according to topics of own, scientific interests and research of the School's participants) and scientific tours in the field of art history and culture, it also includes the presentations of institutes, archives and scientific libraries. Students who complete all the programs will receive "Diploma of the Eastern Summer School" on July 15, 2026.
7. Candidates fulfilling the substantive terms of full participation may apply for co-financing to cover all or part of the stay during the School (hotel, meals, lectures, materials, detours, etc.).

DOCUMENTS

1. Candidates should complete the application form (available at www.studium.uw.edu.pl) and attach:
 - a) an application for admission a description of past works and scientific interests, and the proposed subject of the paper
 - b) curriculum vitae with a photo
 - c) a list of all past scientific publications
 - d) two opinions of researchers dealing with the issues of candidate's research (if possible – one from Poland)
 - e) a copy of the diploma of completion of full university studies.
2. The final deadline for applications to participate in the School is **May 20, 2026**.
3. Only applications containing a full set of required documents will be considered

INVITATIONS

Candidates qualified for the School will receive a formal invitation, issued by the Centre for East European Studies at the University of Warsaw, around **30th May 2026**. The Consulates of the Republic of Poland in candidates' country will be notified.