Gerda Henkel Visiting Professorship at Stanford University

Supplementary Information Sheet

The Gerda Henkel Visiting Professorship at Stanford University is supported through the generosity of the Gerda Henkel Stiftung (Düsseldorf). All inquiries should be directed to the Department of German Studies at Stanford (conorato@stanford.edu).

The competition is open to distinguished scholars who are professors at universities in Germany. They will be appointed as Visiting Professors at Stanford.

Applications are welcome from scholars in the historical humanities fields listed in the call, with a specialization on a topic within German Studies, broadly understood, e.g. German history, philosophy, religion or the arts in Germany.

The visitor receives a salary in gross U.S. Dollars, dependent on the exchange rate obtained by the university, equivalent to 19,000 Euros (before taxes and other pay deductions). The net pay will depend on the visitor’s personal tax-reporting situation. Having a U.S. social security number would facilitate matters; visitors without a social security number will have to obtain one. As is normal at Stanford, payment is spread over the quarter in bi-weekly payments on the 7th and 22nd of each month.

The cost of round-trip economy class airfare (and related ground transportation) will be reimbursed, against receipts. Travel costs of family members are not covered.

It is exclusively the visitor’s responsibility to secure housing appropriate to his or her needs and to pay for it, and other daily
expenses, from the stipend. There is no supplementary housing support. The Department of German Studies can provide some advice for the housing search.

Applicants should typically propose 3-4 possible courses that they could offer during their stay. The department will choose the one most appropriate to curricular needs. These proposed courses should be addressed to graduate students and advanced undergraduates. Courses will be seminar style (discussion based), rather than lectures, in German or in English.

The department will provide a suitable office with an internet connection, a telephone with an authorization code, and facilities for faxing, mail and copying.