



**Call for Applications**  
**DAAD Study Trip to Germany in August/September 2017**  
**August 29-September 7, 2017: Munich and Nuremberg**  
**Deadline for Application: April 21, 2017**

**Topic:** “Troubled Landscapes: Memories of Crises, Turmoil and Attacks in German History and Culture – Exploring Traces of Violence in the Topography of Munich and Nuremberg”

Throughout the course of history, the city of Munich as well as other parts of the Federal State of Bavaria were fundamentally shaped by political turmoil, revolts and the outbreak of political violence; the 20<sup>th</sup> century, as a “century of violence” in particular, still affects ongoing political and cultural life in Germany. The memory of political turmoil, ideological collisions and terrorist attacks left significant traces in the landscapes of German cities.

Besides Berlin, the Bavarian capital Munich might be one of the most shattered metropolises in contemporary Germany. Events such as the “Bavarian Soviet Republic” in 1919, Hitler’s Beer Hall Putsch in 1923, Munich’s characterization as “Capital of the Nazi Movement” during the 1930s and 1940s, postwar terrorist attacks such as the hostage crisis during the Olympic Games in 1972, the bomb attack on the Oktoberfest in 1980, and two murders of the National Socialist Underground in 2001 and 2005 create a fabric of ‘resonating violence’.

Munich’s neighboring Franconian metropolis Nuremberg was similarly shaped by the experience of political violence. Once, during the 1930s, the city hosted huge Nazi party conferences. Today the former convention center, fragmented ‘brutality in stone’ (Alexander Kluge), hosts a museum. After the war Nuremberg was place of several trials against Nazi perpetrators. In 1973 the radical left wing terrorist group “Revolutionary Cells” targeted the ITT Corporation; in 1979 a member of the Red Army Faction was arrested in Nuremberg. Between 2000 and 2009 the NSU committed three brutal murder and several bomb attacks in the city. This study excursion is aimed at graduate students and PhD candidates from DAAD Centers for German and European Studies around the world. It explores different cultural, historical and geographical traces of this troubling history. Therefore, we will visit various places of memory in the Bavarian capital Munich and Franconia’s metropolis Nuremberg. The tour will include memorials, monuments and museums, including historical exhibitions and famous art collections, and is based on presentations prepared by the student participants. It attempts to encounter the troubled history of Munich and Nuremberg and to introduce a multitude of partly conflicting memories within German history and political culture.

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### Participants and Costs:

The funding from the DAAD includes a travel grant, travel within Munich and to excursion sites outside Munich, accommodation for the duration of the trip, entrance fees for museums and other cultural activities as well as guided tours. Students will have to cover their own meals (except for those included in the program) as well as other personal expenses, travel insurances and additional costs for any personal travel before or after the excursion.

### Eligibility Criteria:

- Well-founded interest in the topic of the study excursion; ideally there is a relation to the candidates' current academic research
- Academic records and personal profile of the candidates
- Active participation in the preparation of the excursion and presentations during the excursion
- Interdisciplinary and international composition of the excursion group
- Adequate (at least passive) knowledge of German, good English language skills

Applicants need to be registered graduate students affiliated with a DAAD Center for German and European Studies.

### Subjects and topics of the proposed program:

- Layers of History: Traces of Violence: A Visit to the Munich City Museum
- Troubling Memories and challenging Legacies: Munich City Walking Tour
- Nazi Legacies I: NS-Documentation Center
- Nazi Legacies II: Visit of historical places
- Art and Terror: Haus der Kunst
- Commemorating Resistance: "Weiße Rose" Memorial
- Topography of Terror: Visit to the Dachau Concentration Camp Memorial Site
- A Forgotten Attack: Visit to the Theresienwiese
- Attacking Pluralism and Democracy: The Munich NSU Memorials
- Present Challenges: Visit to a Young Refugee's Home
- Brutality in Stone: The Nuremberg Documentation Centre Nazi Party Rally Grounds
- Political Violence on Trial: Visit to the Memorium Nuremberg Trials
- Continuity of Political Violence: The Nuremberg NSU Memorial
- Jewish Past and Present: The Jakobsplatz as Memory Place
- Resonating Violence: Commemorating Terrorism at Olympiapark
- Terror- and Memoryscapes: Visit to Fürstenfeldbruck
- Protest, Culture and Modernity: Pinakothek der Moderne
- Hidden Memories of Terrorism: Visit to Englischer Garten

### Requirements:

Participating students are required to actively participate in preparation of the excursion and prepare and conduct oral presentations during the excursion.

### Application:

Students are asked to submit: a letter of motivation, a CV, and records of studies indicating also the levels of language skills in a single PDF or Word file. The candidates should be nominated by their respective DAAD Centers by April 18, 2017. Materials for all endorsed students should be submitted to: [mssger@savion.huji.ac.il](mailto:mssger@savion.huji.ac.il).