The European Studies Center (ESC) is proud to announce this year’s dissertation and pre-dissertation grant competitions, named in honor of former Vice-Provost of Research, George Klinzing. Grants are meant to facilitate graduate study on topics related to contemporary Europe. Appropriate topics include (but are not limited to) European integration, Europe’s global role, inequality and diversity in Europe, the role of the past in Europe’s future.

The dissertation grant will support research or the writing of a dissertation between May of 2017 and April of 2018. The competition is open to University of Pittsburgh students who have completed all required coursework, passed their comprehensive exams, and have an approved or preliminarily approved overview. Grants may be awarded for up to $12,000. Funds may not be used to pay for tuition or health insurance. Recipients will be announced by the end of March.

Klinzing Grant recipients may be asked to present their research results in the ESC’s graduate student “Pizza and Politics” lecture series and/or to provide a brief article describing their research experience for the ESC Newsletter. Students should apply for either the Dissertation or the Pre-dissertation grant, but not both. Students in History who receive awards from both the ESC and the History Department European Dissertation and Pre-Dissertation funds, may accept only one. Priority for selection will be given to students enrolled in one of the Center’s graduate certificate programs. For more about those programs, contact Dr. Delnore (details below).

The following are required to be submitted together in electronic and hard copy:

1. A completed grant application form (see below). The application includes a section regarding IRB status. Please mark the appropriate box and submit a copy of the IRB certificate stating IRB status, if applicable.
2. A proposal detailing your research agenda. The proposal should not be more than five double-spaced pages. It should include information on who will be interviewed; archives to be used; potential contacts to gather information; a timeline of research activities; etc.
3. A one-page budget estimate of costs. Costs may include living, travel, and related expenses.
4. A letter of recommendation in support of this specific application from the dissertation chair submitted in a sealed envelope or submitted directly to Dr. Delnore via email.
5. A copy of the dissertation overview.
6. A copy of your current C.V.

All application materials (one hard copy and one electronic copy) must be received or postmarked by the application deadline of 5:00 p.m., March 1, 2017. Email applications are acceptable, but one hard copy must also be submitted to be considered.

Applications (and inquiries) should be sent to Allyson Delnore, ESC, University of Pittsburgh, 4211 Posvar Hall, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15260; (412) 624-5404, adelnore@pitt.edu
APPLICATION
Klinzing Grant for Dissertation Research on Contemporary Europe
(Mail or deliver to Allyson Delnore, ESC, University of Pittsburgh, 4215 Posvar Hall, Pittsburgh, PA 15260. Electronic copy should also be sent to adelnore@pitt.edu)

Name _______________________________ Phone: (_____)_____________________
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Student ID No. (from PeopleSoft): _________ Dept./Field of Study __________________

Proposed Title of Dissertation:
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Chair of Dissertation Committee: _____________________________________________
Date of Overview Defense: _____________________________________________________

Please list any additional sources of funding for which you will be applying and/or anticipate receiving during the term of the award:
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IRB Approval: please check the appropriate box and sign.

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☐ My project includes research involving interventions or interactions with individuals and/or the collection of identifiable private information concerning living individuals. Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval for my project is attached. If IRB approval is pending, please attach copies of relevant forms. Please note that funds will not be disbursed until IRB approval is obtained.

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Signature: _____________________________ Date: ____________________________