

# THE EUROPAEUM

## SCHOLARS PROGRAMME

2022-2023

“ This programme has exceeded all my expectations: what I have learnt about Europe, about other people and about myself; the group work was demanding and fulfilling in equal amounts; and the friendships are amazing. I would do it all over again “



# IS THIS FOR YOU?



Are you interested in shaping the future of Europe? If so, and if you are a doctoral student in the Humanities or Social Sciences and whose research relates to European Studies (broadly defined) then this could be the programme for you.

The Europaeum Scholars Programme offers a unique opportunity to be part of a network of some of the brightest people of your generation. You will be able to connect your doctoral research with the world of policy making, to draw on the combined resources of eighteen Europe's leading universities, to learn how to work as a team (and what leading a team involves), and to understand the complexity of policy making. You will learn more about yourself.

European Scholars are people who “think for themselves, but not just of themselves”. They are people with the capacity and the desire to create a better future for Europe, who combine academic excellence with a clear commitment to promoting the public good. Highly motivated and well organised they will have a strong interest in connecting the lessons that can be learned from academic research to the public arena.

If this sounds like you, or if you are in any other way interested in this programme – read on.



**“What appeals to me about the Europaeum is that it transcends Brexit by working right across Europe. In particular, the teaching venues of the new programme will offer students radically different perspectives”**  
**Pascal Lamy, Former European Commissioner for Trade and Director-General of the WTO**

# WHAT THE SCHOLARS SAY

“I am grateful for the positive impact that this is having on me. I am learning from every single exchange and dialogue... it is a different way of learning together and engaging with our everyday world... learning to cultivate ourselves to openness, friendship and engagement. “

“There have been many benefits of the Programme ... working with and befriending an international group of other PhD students; receiving training that will support my career development; networking and debating with leading scholars and practitioners; and visiting various NGOs, research centres and policy institutions across Europe. “



“It is really an incredible experience: gaining a real multidisciplinary experience, improving my skills in so many fields, meeting so many interesting people and so having an extraordinary opportunity for networking ... Last but not least, the teamwork presents the most essential part of this all: putting all the experience and knowledge gained into practice, combined with ethical and moral issues... To be honest, I am really overwhelmed! “

**“The Europaeum is more needed today than at any time in the past”**

**- Senator Vaclav Hampl, Czech Republic**

# THE PROGRAMME

The prime aim of the Europaeum Scholars Programme is to engage academic thinking with policy making and to produce a new generation of leaders, thinkers and researchers with the capacity to meet the cultural, political and societal challenges facing Europe today.

Scholars attend eight modules, taken over two years, alongside their existing degrees. Being multi-locational and multi-institutional the programme draws upon the resources of all the Europaeum university members. Teaching is by Europaeum affiliated academics together with a wide range of external experts and leading thinkers. Scholars visit key European and international institutions where they learn about how they function in conversation with practitioners and policy makers. There are opportunities to directly engage with people facing some of the most difficult circumstances in contemporary society. By the end you will emerge with knowledge and a set of skills and contacts equal to any group anywhere.

At its core, the Scholars programme involves multidisciplinary team work engaged in problem solving within the context of contemporary Europe. Scholars work intensively in small groups on a policy project that they identify, design and develop under the guidance of a mentor. Each team's policy recommendations are judged by a panel of external experts, and there is the potential for publication of the best.

Each student is fully funded by a scholarship worth €10,000 per annum for two years. This covers full accommodation, travel, food and all tuition. A maximum of 36 places is available.

## BENEFITS INCLUDE

**Learning** – how to collaborate in a multidisciplinary team

**Developing** – key leadership skills for success in the public or private sectors

**Networking** – with scholars and academics from leading European universities

**Hearing** – from a range of professionals involved in shaping policy in Europe

**Experiencing** – several other European universities in addition to your own

**Training** – that utilises the best professional and doctoral training schemes

**The ability** – to 'stand out' in the increasingly saturated job market for graduates.



# MODULES AND LOCATIONS

The Programme will start In March 2022 and proceed as set out below. Scholars must attend all modules in full and, before applying, candidates must ensure that they can manage all the dates. Please consult the Europaeum website for final details.

The Programme will introduce a syllabus in terms of broad topics for certain modules while leaving sufficient flexibility to incorporate the interests of the specific individuals chosen to be part of the cohort. The contents of the modules are structured so that there is progression through the leadership, ethical, and training strands of the programme, as well as enabling organic group project development. Each module will last between 3 and 5 days. Project work will increase proportionally throughout the modules.

YEAR ONE	YEAR TWO
<b>1 OXFORD (14-18 March 2022)</b> <i>Introduction to Europe, Leadership &amp; Societal Problems</i>	<b>5 BOLOGNA (12-16 April 2023)</b> <i>Democracy in Europe</i>
<b>2 LEUVEN/BRUSSELS (30 May-3 June 2022)</b> <i>European Policy &amp; Institutions</i>	<b>6 ENEVA (June 2023, exact dates tbc)</b> <i>Europe &amp; the World</i>
<b>3 LUXEMBOURG (12-16 September 2022)</b> <i>Media &amp; Policy</i>	<b>7 HELSINKI (14-18 August 2023)</b> <i>Intensive Project Work &amp; Policy Evaluation</i>
<b>4 LISBON (Winter 2022/23, exact dates tbc)</b> <i>Skills &amp; Project Development</i>	<b>8 BERLIN (25-27 September 2023)</b> <i>Scholar Presentations to the Policy World &amp; Europaeum Alumni Gathering</i>

Please note that the details above may be subject to change due to forces beyond our control. Please consult the Europaeum website for the most up to date information.



# HOW TO APPLY

In order to apply you must be enrolled on a doctoral programme at one of the participating Europaeum universities and pursuing research related to European Studies (broadly defined) in the Humanities or Social Sciences. Applications will be considered from doctoral students studying joint degrees which overlap with the physical, life or medical sciences, especially where their work concerns European policy.

All applicants must have the support of their home university and their doctoral supervisor. At the point of applying, candidates should normally have at least two years left on their doctoral programme and have an excellent command of English. Applicants also need to be entirely confident that they will be able to attend all the modules of the programme and that they have enough time to be full participants.

Applications should be made by email both to the candidate's home university and the Europaeum Office and must be received by 3 December 2021. Applications must include evidence of academic record, a personal statement, a short answer to our questions (posted online), two academic references (one of which should be from the applicant's supervisor), one leadership reference, one personal reference, and a CV.

For full details of the application process, the documents that must be submitted and our FAQs please visit:

<https://europaeum.org/programmes/scholars-programme>



# THE EUROPAEUM

The Europaeum is an association of 18 of Europe's leading universities. Founded by the University of Oxford in 1992, our aim is to foster collaboration between leading European research universities and to facilitate tripartite dialogue between academics, students and the public and private sectors through spring and summer schools, workshops, seminars, debates, joint MA programmes, and the Scholars Programme. In recent years we have reorganised, restructured and expanded our membership.

The Europaeum fundamentally believes in the need for more international collaboration with greater emphasis on universities engaging with wider society. As part of this we seek to support fresh cohorts of talented young people, committed to making a difference, and who will be the essential building blocks to shaping the future of Europe for the better. This goal is at the heart of the Europaeum Scholars Programme.<sup>1</sup>



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# MORE INFORMATION

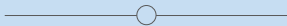
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or consult our website:

<https://europaeum.org/>



**“The Europaeum has already been a force for good and I greatly welcome their new initiatives, especially the new Europaeum Scholars Programme”**

**Nick Clegg, Former UK Deputy Prime Minister**

