COMPLETION GRANTS

Call for Applications within the Excellence Initiative of the University of Heidelberg

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APPLICATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 15th, 2011 NOTIFICATION OF AWARDS DECISIONS: MID DECEMBER 2011 EARLIEST FUNDING BEGIN: JANUARY 2012

<u>Please read through the following FAQs before applying for a grant: www.graduateacademy.uni-heidelberg.de/stipendien/abschluss_faq_en.html.</u> Due to time constraints, questions dealt with in the FAQs will not be answered again by telephone or email.

Please complete the following 4 steps in order to apply:

- 1. Fill out the online registration form containing general application information at: www.graduateacademy.uni-heidelberg.de/stipendien/abschluss_bewerbung_en.html
- 2. Submit a <u>single PDF file (max. 2 MB)</u> containing the following documents to the Graduate Academy (graduiertenakademie@zuv.uni-heidelberg.de):
 - » The completed application form*. The form can be downloaded here: www.graduateacademy.uni-heidelberg.de/md/gradakad/stipendien/bewerbungsbogen_de_en_2012.pdf
 - » A summary of your dissertation (max. 2 pages). The emphasis of this summary should be on the work still to be completed during this final phase (6 mos.) of the dissertation. Please give only a brief description of the sections of the dissertation that are already finished.
- 3. Please submit with your application a scanned copy of your letter of admission ("Annahme als Doktorand") from your Faculty at the University of Heidelberg.
- 4. Ask both your primary and secondary doctoral supervisor to each fill out a reviewer evaluation form*. The form can be downloaded here: www.graduateacademy.uni-heidelberg.de/md/gradakad/stipendien/abschlussstipendien_gutachterfragebogen_de_en_2012.doc

Supervisors must send their completed form by email directly to the Graduate Academy (graduiertenakademie@zuv.uni-heidelberg.de).

* Despite ongoing efforts, we have not been able to make the application form <u>compatible with the Macintosh system</u>. Therefore, we strongly recommend that you fill out the form only on a PC with a Microsoft Windows operating system.

PLEASE NOTE: Incomplete applications and applications sent after October 15th will not be considered.

Please do not hesitate to contact our office if you have any questions that are not answered in the FAQs.

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