

## **Call for submissions of proposals for university courses: PATTERNS Lectures 2014/2015**

PATTERNS Lectures has launched a new call to develop university courses in the fields of art history, cultural theory and cultural studies that aim to research and understand recent cultural history in Central, Eastern and South Eastern Europe. PATTERNS Lectures supports courses that analyse the period from the 1960s to the present day, deal with cultural phenomena including aspects of popular, marginal and counterculture, examine interdisciplinary and cross-cultural history in Central and South Eastern Europe, and involve critical methodology and innovative and interactive teaching practices. Furthermore, it encourages international academic exchange by enabling lecturers to go on international study visits and invite guest lecturers.

The lectures are part of the PATTERNS research initiative and ERSTE Foundations' cultural work in recent years. PATTERNS aims to document, analyse and investigate different aspects of and practices related to the transformation of life and culture in Central and South Eastern Europe, while accounting for the pluralities that characterise the region.

We are particularly interested in courses which:

- have been recently developed and have not been held before
- analytically deal with the period starting from the 1960s up to the present day, including the year of transition in 1989
- deal with cultural phenomena before 1989 until today, including aspects of popular, marginal and counterculture
- examine interdisciplinary and cross-cultural history in Central and South Eastern Europe
- involve critical methodology and innovative and interactive teaching practices

### **Who we support?**

The call addresses lecturers at public universities in Central and South Eastern Europe who offer study programmes in the fields of art history, cultural studies and cultural sciences and related fields. Course proposals by external lecturers must be integrated into the framework of a public higher education institution.

Courses should be held in the academic year 2014/2015.

### **Application deadline**

The call for submissions is open from 16 December 2013 to 23 February 2014.

### **Application documents and procedure**

All application documents including guidelines are available for download at [www.patternslectures.org](http://www.patternslectures.org)

### **Contact information**

If you have any further questions please contact us:  
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The previous two editions of PATTERNS Lectures were successfully completed: 27 courses from 13 countries were implemented at the respective universities and the majority will be continued in the long-term curriculum.

You can find comprehensive information at [www.patternslectures.org](http://www.patternslectures.org)

PATTERNS Lectures was initiated by ERSTE Foundation and is being implemented by World University Service (WUS) Austria.

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