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Wednesday, 14/01/2026 – Thursday, 15/01/2026

Call for Applications

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We are pleased to announce a two-day workshop for doctoral researchers exploring innovative approaches to archival research and ethnography through decolonial, critical, and affective perspectives. In this workshop, we aim to foster academic discussion and practice-oriented learning on how to critically rethink traditional methods rooted in the Western canon. The workshop will take place on **Wednesday, 14 January 2026, and Thursday, 15 January 2026, from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM** at Bielefeld University, co-organized by **BGHS, IZG, and CIAS**.

We invite doctoral researchers to apply either as **Participants** (engaging in workshop activities and discussions without presenting their own work) or as **Presenters** (sharing research in a short presentation and, if possible, bringing materials such as field notes, archival documents, or transcripts for collective reflection). Priority will be given to doctoral researchers from Bielefeld University; however, applications from students enrolled at other German universities are also welcome. The workshop will begin with an **open roundtable** for the general public, followed by **three practical labs**, each facilitated by our invited professors:

- Dr. Paulina Ultreras Villagrana (CIESAS Occidente & Universidad de Guadalajara)
- Dr. Jennie Gamlin (University College London)
- Prof. Dr. Francis Seeck (Technische Hochschule Nürnberg)

The labs will focus on: **Archival Work, Critical Ethnography, and Affective Ethnography**, providing participants with hands-on experience and opportunities for discussion and feedback. All attendees are expected to participate in all sessions. The link for registering is: <https://form.dragnsurvey.com/survey/r/4316db22>

Deadline for submissions: December 1, 2025

Notifications for selected participants: December 5, 2025

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