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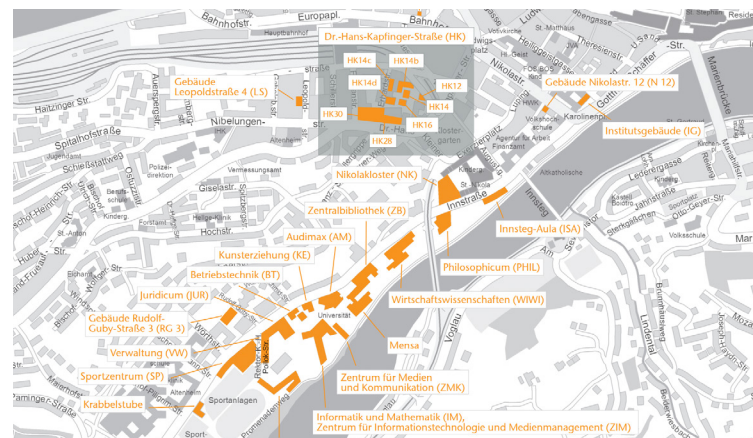


Why Passau?

Passau is located in the east of Bavaria and in the heart of Europe between Munich, Prague and Vienna. Diversity and multiculturalism are hallmarks of the city, thanks in part to our students and academics from around the world. The city is characterized by the historic streets of the old town, the holiday feeling on the waterfront and the many inviting green spaces.

The University of Passau is a highly visible and respected academic and research institution due to its excellent research output, an outstanding study environment, and a tight-knit international network of partners.

Passau has a lot to offer to the approximately 11000 students and 2500 staff members at the university!



Further Information:

<https://www.picais.uni-passau.de/en>

PICAIS

Passau International
Centre for Advanced
Interdisciplinary Studies

What does the PICAIS do?

The **P**assau International Centre for **A**dvanced Interdisciplinary Studies (**PICAIS**) is the central platform for academic excellence and interdisciplinary research at the University of Passau.

The PICAIS:

- funds interdisciplinary project ideas and events through fellowship programmes and event funding
- supports the advancement of early career researchers
- provides unique network-building opportunities
- integrates international visiting scholars into the University's academic community
- hosts inspiring lecture series

The PICAIS started its activities in spring 2021. It is now intended to quickly grow into a vibrant platform for cooperation and exchange with scientists and scholars of international standing.

In doing so, PICAIS aims to establish a unique culture of collegial, transparent, open-minded and cross-disciplinary collaboration.



What programmes does the PICAIS offer?

Research-in-Residence Fellowship

- Funding of a visiting position for Junior or Senior researchers
- Duration: 2 – 6 months
- Eligibility: external researchers holding a doctorate
- Applications must be endorsed by a member of the University of Passau, who will act as their host

Event Funding

- Funding of academic events to be held in Passau
- Aims at international networking and cooperation between researchers at different career stages; exchange of ideas on innovative research issues
- Eligibility: members of the University of Passau and external co-organizers (with a doctorate)

The PICAIS's research promotion activities are particularly oriented towards the **University's strategic guiding themes**:

- Europe and Global Transformation
- Migration, Sustainable Development and Just Order
- Digitalisation, Networked Society and (Internet) Cultures

Whilst there is no restriction on research topics, priority is given to topics that are related to one or more of our University's strategic guiding themes.

The **application deadlines** for online applications to the PICAIS grant programmes in 2023 are **15th March**, **15th May** and **17th October**.



Further details on the programmes, dates and application procedure:
<https://www.picais.uni-passau.de/en/funding-programmes/>

Who can apply?

The application is open to researchers from **all research topics, methodologies and disciplines represented at the University**, including the humanities, social sciences, business studies, economics, law, computer science and mathematics.

The **fellowship programme** is aimed at both internationally outstanding **established academics** and promising **early career researchers** who, having completed their doctoral study, wish to advance their academically excellent and innovative research ideas and international projects.

The scientific **events programme** provides funding for both subject-specific and inter-/transdisciplinary formats. The programme is open to all forms of academic events that promote facilitating scholarly debate and analysis of important research questions and/or help to initiate or enhance international cooperation and networking.

Interested in establishing a cooperation with one of our researchers? Need help in finding a host for your fellowship application? Do not hesitate to contact us: picais-office@uni-passau.de.

