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Nordic Networks for Interdisciplinary Study and Research

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Summer Session in Roosta, Estonia 2019 July 28th – August 4th



Dear reader, here are the latest news from the Nordic Summer University including information on the Summer Session 2019. In this letter you can read about:

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Summer Session 2019, venue and location

We welcome all participants to the Summer Session 2019 which will take place in [Roosta Holiday Village](#) in Estonia. The venue is located by the Baltic seashore in the beautiful nature of Läänemaa, surrounded by pine trees and a sandy beach. The easiest way to reach Roosta is via bus or car. There is a bus connection from Tallinn that takes between two and three hours. The nearest airport is Tallinn Airport (TLL). Arrkom, the group in charge of arranging everything with regard to the summer session, is also busy with arranging bus transfers from the city center of Tallinn and Tallinn airport to Roosta on 28th of July, possibly also from Riga. More information will follow closer to the summer session. The 28th of July is the arrival day for all participants and 4th of August is the departure day.

Registration for the Summer Session

All participants need to register at the NSU summer session registration site in order to secure the accommodation: <https://registration.nsuweb.org>. After registration you can pay here: <https://payment.nsuweb.org>. The registration is now open and closes at the 1st of June.

Preliminary programme from our study circles

The preliminary programmes of our nine study circles are soon to be announced at the NSU homepage: <https://nordic.university/study-circles/>

Keynote speakers

Two keynote speakers are coming to the Summer Session this year: Professor [Naomi Scheman](#) and Professor [Anna Reading](#). Professor Scheman is a Professor of Philosophy and Gender, Women, and Sexuality studies. She is also guest professor at the Centre for Gender studies at Umeå University, Sweden. Her work is centred around feminist philosophy, Wittgenstein, the politics of epistemology, queer/sexuality studies. Professor Reading has played an international role in developing the interdisciplinary field of memory studies with research in gender, memory and human rights. She has particular

foci on gendered memory, migration, the holocaust, digital technologies, nonviolent struggles and resistance with work that combines her expertise as an academic and playwright. For over thirty years Reading has had an academic and creative interest in questions of human rights, gender and memory with foci that include Eastern Europe, especially Poland, the Holocaust, terrorism, peace and nonviolent struggles. Her work combines academic research with playwriting and storytelling with wider publics.

Call for researchers and artists for the Anniversary Project

The call for researchers and artists who want to work with the 70th Anniversary Project is still open. Anyone interested in bringing the history of NSU and its core Nordic heritage to a wider audience is welcome to send in a project proposal. The projects will culminate in a mini-festival in Norway in Summer 2020. For more information on the Anniversary Project and how to apply, check out: <https://tracingthespirit.wordpress.com/>.

Upcoming ad hoc symposium

The NSU welcomes participants to our next ad hoc symposium "Response-ability and Creativity at the Time of the Environmental Crises". The symposium will take place on the 07th – 08th of November 2019 at the University of Jyväskylä in Jyväskylä, Finland. Deadline for sending in applications is the 31st of May. For detailed information, click [here](#).

News from the Board

The Board is preparing for the second board meeting this year which will take place in Copenhagen from 28th of May until the 1st of June. During this meeting we will settle everything for the coming Summer Session and further develop our strategy plans for the next years. On Sunday the 2nd of June we will participate in a workshop together with WeValue - a research group at the University of Brighton specialized in evaluation and group dynamics: <http://blogs.brighton.ac.uk/wevalue/>. The aim of the workshop is to help the NSU in creating evaluation indicators that will support NSU in making clear towards funders what we intend to do and how we manage to succeed on our own terms. It will also help write the strategy plan 2020-2023. On the next day, the 3rd of June, Nicole des Bouvrie and Disa Kamula will have a meeting with the Nordic Council of Ministers to discuss funding and budget of 2019 and the years to come.

The NSU wishes you a nice summer and we look forward to seeing you in Roosta soon!

Since 1950, the Nordic Summer University (NSU) actively supports the cultivation of new ideas and growing research networks in the Nordic countries. As an independent, non-profit academic institution, NSU fosters the development of new research areas and emerging researchers in the Nordic and Baltic countries. Committed to egalitarian and interdisciplinary modes of learning, the NSU is open for senior scholars, doctoral and master students, as well as artists and professionals with relevant backgrounds. NSU is a non-profit organization, funded by Nordic Council of Ministers / Nordic Council (www.norden.org).

Please forward to anyone who may be interested.



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