

News from the Nordic Summer University (NSU): upcoming events in 2015

Apologies for any cross posting

You can find information about the upcoming Summer Session 2015 July 18. - 25. at the <u>Hotel Europa Royale Druskininkai</u> in Lithuania on:

- NSU's official Summer Session website - http://www.nsuweb.net

- The special webpage made by the arrangment committee with more practical information about the Summer Session 2015 - <u>http://w2015.nsuweb.org/</u>

NSU is in 2015 at a critical crossroad, see: <u>http://campaign.nsuweb.org</u>, join us this summer to discuss and influence the future of NSU as an incubator for innovation, cross disciplinary thinking, and cultural exchange.

In this newsletter you can read about:

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- Registration and payment: closes on June 10th
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- Call for editor to NSU Newspaper: closes on June 7th.
- Call for proposals to new study circles: closes on June 7th.
- Call for mentors and reviewers of the study circle proposals: closes on June 7th.
- Support NSU with your signature

Call for participation / Registration and payment:

The Summer Session 2015 takes place July 18. - 25. in Druskininkai, Lithuania. You still have time to find a study circle to join! See: <u>http://www.nsuweb.net/first/html/#study</u>

Please note that the application process has two steps: After having chosen a study circle, you first have to apply to the coordinators to gain acceptance. Then you register and pay. The final deadline for registration and payment is June 10th. The preliminary program for the study circles will be published online in June at: <u>http://nsuweb.net/url/?id=12</u>.

The cost for accommodation includes full board for the whole week. You can choose between different kinds of rooms and standards, and the cost for children is lower. The prices vary accordingly. See available combinations and prices at: http://w2015.nsuweb.org/?page_id=59.

The hotel Europa Royale Druskininkai offers you also additional services without costs, like a fitness room and sauna complex (sauna, Turkish bath, sauna infrared rays, Jacuzzi), as well as a playroom for children. The hotel also offers bike rental and has a spa salon "Royal Boutique SPA" on their premises, or you can visit the large Aqua Park next door.

During your week in Druskininkai you will be introduced to Lithuanian poetry, movies , music, and history. Please, visit NSU Druskininkai Culture web-page: <u>http://w2015.nsuweb.org/?page_id=30</u>.

It is essential that when you have registered, you also pay. There are options in the shop to pay with creditcards or bank transfer. NSU will not book rooms or beds other than those who are payed for.

Excursions:

Even if you have already paid the cost for participation, you can still register and pay for excursions: <u>http://nsuweb.org/w2014/product/excursions</u>. In the case of a low number of bookings for a specific excursion, it may be cancelled and you can be offered an alternative excursion. Excursions can be found here: <u>http://w2015.nsuweb.org/?page_id=54</u>. Pay for your excursion at this time, as there might be few options to choose between at the session.

Children Circle:

Like in previous summer sessions, a separate circle for children between 3 and 15

years old will offer a variety of activities for children and youth. It runs in parallel to the other study circles, and makes the Summer Session a good place for the whole family. This year there are six Youth Leaders: Anne-Lea Egendal Leipziger, Tuuli Hietanen, Andreas S. Erslev, Timothy Bresky, Toste Skånberg Dahlstedt, and Pia Otterlind. Altogether their languages skills include: Finnish, Danish, Lithuanian, Russian, German, Swedish, English, Norwegian, as well as some basic knowledge in French.

Discount - NSU Press:

As a participant, you will get discounts on our publications from Aarhus University Press/NSU Press: <u>http://nsuweb.net/url/?id=8</u>. A selection of the recently published books will be available at the session. If you however have a special request, send an email to <u>sekretariatet@nsuweb.org</u> to order it. Include information on which publication and the number of samples you would like.

PhD students and ECTS points:

PhD students have the opportunity to request documentation of participation and are eligible for up to five ECTS points. More on this at: <u>http://nsuweb.net/url/?</u> <u>id=112</u>. You will be given this option at the registration.

Call for editor to the NSU newspaper:

We are calling for an editor to the NSU newspaper for the Summer Session 2015. The person should have a good knowledge of NSU and its profile, English and preferably Scandinavian languages, as well as relevant professional experience. Please, send your application by email to <u>board@nsuweb.org</u> with the subject field titled: "call for editor" latest by June 7th.

Call for proposals to new study circles:

NB! Change of date and procedure: The deadline for proposals is June 7th. For more information on how to write a proposal and where to send it, see: <u>http://nsuweb.net/url/?id=265</u>.

Call for mentors and reviewers:

NSU calls for mentors and reviewers of the proposals to new study circles. The call closes June 7th. The work will not require major tasks beyond what is decribed below.

The mentors will serve as critical readers of the proposals and give feedback directly to the people submitting them through email, google documents, or skype. The time frame of the work is limited to early summer.

The reviewers will be asked to give a short, written statement on the finalized proposals. The time frame for the work is limited to the period between mid June to

July 21st.

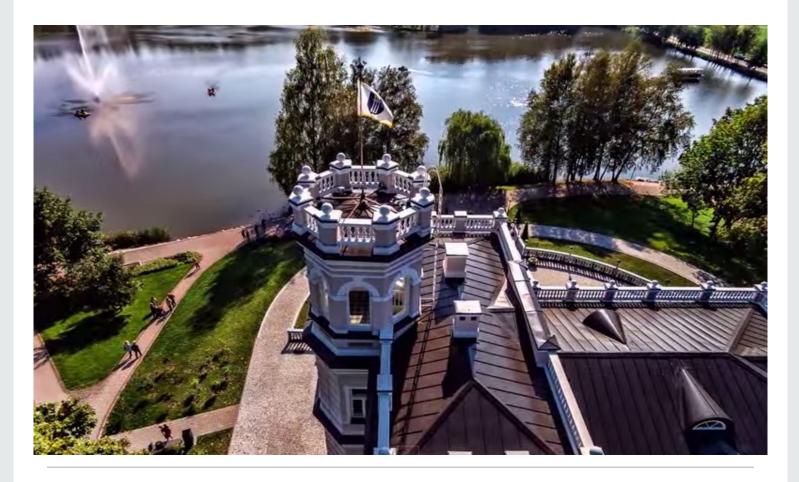
The mentors and reviewers do not have to attend the summer session, but need to have a good knowledge of NSU and its profile. The reviewers need to hold a PhD or have equivalent qualifications.

Please, send an email to <u>board@nsuweb.org</u> with the subject field titled: "call for mentors and reviewers" latest by June 7th.

Support NSU:

The Nordic Summer University needs your support to secure our funding for 2016. One way to do that, is with your name:

<u>http://www.skrivunder.net/nordisk_sommeruniversitet</u>. See also our special campaign site that has been set up: <u>http://campaign.nsuweb.org</u>. Another way is to contact your national members of the Nordic Council or politician to voice the case of NSU. A third option is to join us in Druskininkai to build a new foundation for our work.



Since 1950, NSU has actively supported the cultivation of new ideas and growing research networks in the Nordic countries. Particular attention has been paid to cross-disciplinary areas not yet targeted by larger research institutions. NSU is an independent think-tank for the development of new research areas and emerging researchers. Participation takes place across academic borderlines. Career and generational divides are transcended along with institutional identity and language purity. NSU is organized as a Swedish non-profit organization, sponsored by NordForsk (www.nordforsk.org).

Please forward to anyone who may be interested.

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