

PIERRE DU BOIS DOCTORAL WORKSHOPS

The Pierre du Bois Foundation for Current History (Fondation Pierre du Bois pour l'histoire du temps présent) is launching a series of Pierre du Bois Doctoral Workshops in partnership with the Department of International History and Politics at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva.

The Pierre du Bois Doctoral Workshops offer an opportunity for doctoral students of the International History and Politics Department to organise annually a one-day workshop to further their research and deepen their knowledge of a theme or set of themes related to their work.

The Pierre du Bois Doctoral Workshops seek to create links between young scholars by encouraging them to cooperate in organising student-led workshops, bringing external researchers to meet in Geneva and cultivating inter-generational and inter-institutional networks, as senior external researchers join the Graduate Institute's networks of doctoral students. In particular, this joint initiative of the Pierre du Bois Foundation and the Department of International History and Politics aims to create further opportunities for Ph.D. students by helping them advance and disseminate their doctoral work.

Students should apply as a minimum of a group of two and up to six on a topic of common interest. Up to three professors and/or researchers can be invited to take part in the workshop to offer commentary and guidance on the topics discussed and the work of the students. The Pierre du Bois Foundation will fund transportation and accommodation for visiting researchers as well as meals and refreshments for all participants.

To apply for funding for a workshop to be held in 2026, doctoral students registered in the International History and Politics Department should submit a concise proposal to info@fondation-pierredubois.ch before 1 November 2025 outlining (i) the research focus, (ii) the structure of the workshop and (iii) the envisioned participants. The Pierre du Bois Foundation will annually select a workshop proposal from amongst the submissions. The criteria for selection are the quality and relevance of the proposal, the coherence of the research question(s), the envisioned international and intergenerational cooperation and the organisational and logistical feasibility.

For more information, contact info@fondation-pierredubois.ch.