CALL FOR PAPERS

14th INTERNATIONAL NORDWEL SUMMER SCHOOL

STATE, SOCIETY & CITIZEN - CROSS-DISCIPLINARY AND GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES ON WELFARE STATE DEVELOPMENT

University of Southern Denmark, Odense, 18-22 August 2025

Welfare states can be studied using a range of theoretical and methodological approaches, from various chronological perspectives, and with a focus on different empirical phenomena and localities. The Nordwel Summer School aims to foster discussions across disciplines and promote innovative cross-disciplinary research on the development of welfare states over time and in a global context. The summer school brings together PhD students and well-established international scholars for scientific exchange.

We invite PhD students from diverse disciplinary backgrounds to participate in the discussions on the development of welfare states, their preconditions, current status, and how we ought to study them. PhD students will present their papers in parallel sessions and receive feedback from senior scholars and junior colleagues.

Teachers include Julia Moses (Sheffield University), Paul Marx (Bonn University), Katharina Zimmermann (Hamburg University), Pauli Kettunen (University of Helsinki), Herbert Obinger (University of Bremen), Klaus Petersen, Cecilie Bjerre & Peter Starke (all University of Southern Denmark).

We welcome applications by PhD students by **31 March 2025**. Papers may adopt a broad historical or contemporary perspective and come from different disciplines such as history, social policy, sociology, political science, and political philosophy. Guidelines for papers will be provided with the letters of approval by **30 April 2025**. Participants who successfully complete the summer school successfully are credited with **5 ECTS credits**.

The course fee is **350 euros** which includes accommodation (4 nights, single room) as well as most meals. Participants are expected to cover their own travel costs (a limited number of travel grants will be available – please state in the application).

Application Requirements: Applicants should submit an abstract (max 400 words) for a paper and a short biography (including a list of publications) by e-mail to Peter Ejersbo (pejersbo@sam.sdu.dk), no later than 31 March 2025.

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

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