



Call for Applications

Elkana Fellowship

Seeking PhD/SJD candidates committed to higher education

Central European University (CEU) invites outstanding young scholars interested in pursuing a doctoral degree related to higher education policy, broadly understood, to apply for the Yehuda Elkana Fellowship.

- Are you interested in pursuing doctoral study and research at CEU?
- Are you passionate about researching higher education?

The Yehuda Elkana Fellowship provides 48 months (generally 4 years) of tuition waiver, as well as a stipend (currently 2002 EUR gross, per month), for scholars admitted to one of CEU's doctoral degree programs to research a topic related to higher education policy. Potential programs include the Doctoral School of Political Science, Public Policy, and International Relations; Legal Studies; Sociology; History; Gender Studies; Data and Network Science; and others. During the Fellowship, the Yehuda Elkana Center for Teaching, Learning, and Higher Education Research supports the work of Fellows by organizing academic events, inviting guest speakers, providing networking opportunities, and helping with academic research and development.

The Fellowship's Namesake

The Fellowship is named after Yehuda Elkana, the third President and Rector of CEU (1999-2009), a renowned international scholar, public intellectual, and educator with a deep commitment to open society.

Application Deadline: January 15, 2027 (23:59 Central European Time)

To [apply](#), please submit a regular CEU application for a specific doctoral program, along with a research proposal related to higher education policy, broadly understood. Please begin your Statement of Purpose with the following sentence: "Please consider this application for the Yehuda Elkana Fellowship." You will be simultaneously considered for both the Elkana Fellowship and the regular CEU Doctoral Fellowship. (The terms are identical.) CEU doctoral programs may also recommend applications for consideration.

Questions & Further Details

- Application questions and process: [Admissions Office](#), or prospective department
- Financial information details & questions: [CEU's Financial Aid webpage](#)
- Higher education research or the fellowship: [Yehuda Elkana Center](#)

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