



# Call for Papers

## *Emerging Scholars Colloquium*

### (Conference Panel in Berlin, Germany)



Organized by the Emerging Scholars Forum (NWF/ESF) of the Association for Canadian Studies in German-Speaking Countries (GKS)

As part of “Reimagining Canada in North America”, 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Association for Canadian Studies in German-Speaking Countries (GKS)

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#### **Deadline for submissions: August 10, 2026**

The *Emerging Scholars Colloquium* will take place as an in-person conference panel at the Annual Conference of the GKS and offers emerging scholars a platform to share and discuss their **ongoing research projects** with peers and experts from various disciplines in Canadian Studies (including Quebec Studies). Submissions may discuss work in progress on a BA or MA thesis, an early draft of a PhD project proposal, an excerpt from a (planned) dissertation chapter or any other current research project in or with a strong emphasis on Canadian Studies. Disciplines can include, but are not limited to, Language, Literature and Culture in Anglophone and Francophone Canada, Women\*, Gender and Queer Studies, Geography and Economics, History, Political Science, Sociology, and Indigenous and Cultural Studies. The *Emerging Scholars Colloquium* encourages transdisciplinary and comparative perspectives that work on the Americas with a clear connection to Canada. Applicants may wish to address theory, methodology or content of their ongoing research; all research aspects and angles are welcome. The submissions do **not** have to engage with the particular thematic focus of “Reimagining Canada in North America / Réimaginer le Canada en Amérique du Nord”.

To ensure that the exchange between emerging scholars, peers and experts is as productive as possible, the emphasis will be on the dialogue between participants and attendees. As such, we invite proposals for brief **10-15-minute presentations** of the main project ideas. This presentation should also raise those key challenges that participants are currently facing and that they want to discuss in the 15-20 minutes following their presentation. This focused exchange is intended to allow participants to gain insightful new perspectives on their projects.

Proposals should be submitted as a **single Word document** in French or English to Malou Meckel (M.Meckel@campus.lmu.de) no later than **August 10, 2026**. Submissions should include:

- Project Title / Presentation Title
- Presentation Abstract (250-350 words), outlining the central ideas and key challenges of the project
- Short Biographical Note (max. 250 words), including the applicant's name, preferred pronouns (optional), email address, university affiliation, and research background/interests.

**Accessibility:** We are committed to creating a **safe and inclusive environment** that is accessible to all. Please do not hesitate to communicate with us about your accessibility needs in advance, when sending in your proposal or as they arise, and we will try to accommodate them as best we can.

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