

**PhD position in Contemporary History:  
“Relations between the former Socialist Countries and the Global South, 1950s-1980s.”**

The Research Project “African and Middle Eastern Elites Educated in former Socialist Countries: Studies, Trajectories, and Mindsets” funded by Charles University (PRIMUS/21/HUM/011) is seeking for a student interested in writing a PhD in the relations between the former socialist countries and the global South in the 1950s–1980s. Emphasis in our project is placed on educational cooperation including:

- the training of African and Middle Eastern students and researchers in Czechoslovakia and the former Eastern bloc
- art and sport education
- political or military training
- the creation of schools in the postcolonial countries with Eastern bloc aid
- the work of Czechoslovak, East European or Soviet professors, education experts and scientists in the global South
- development assistance that involved forms of training
- scientific and cultural cooperation between the East and the South
- foreign female students in Czechoslovakia and the East
- the careers of graduates (former students trained in Eastern Europe)
- the memories of graduates

Female students and students other than historians – who are interested in similar topics also for the post-1989 era – are strongly encouraged to apply. Applicants should hold a Master’s degree or approach the completion of a Master’s program by 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022. Funding will be provided for two years, from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022 to 31 December 2023 (40,000 CZK per year), but efforts may be extended to assure funding for a third year.

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**Deadline: 15th October 2021**

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