



## About the Doctoral Seminar

The doctoral seminar is organised in the framework of the Odysseus Network Summer School. The seminar is *only* open to those enrolled in the Summer School. Participants in the seminar will have the opportunity to present their PhD project to a panel composed of members of the Odysseus Academic Network from various European universities and possibly one distinguished professional from an EU institution or agency, international organisation, national administration or NGO chosen among the participants at the Summer School. Participants will receive feedback on the subject, structure and methodology of their thesis, providing valuable advice to strengthen their ongoing research. The doctoral seminar is addressed mainly to PhD researchers in law, but applications from researchers undertaking a PhD in political science or international relations which deals with legal aspects of EU immigration or asylum policies are also welcome. The sessions will be held in English, but may be organised in French upon request.

## Opportunities for Financial Support

There are four grants available for PhD students to be funded by the Odysseus Network. The financial support provided will cover the tuition fees of the Summer School (not including the application fee of €200), travel expenses and accommodation costs. Daily subsistence and personal expenses are not included. Funded participants will be selected on the basis of their academic record, and their financial situation may also be taken into consideration. As a requirement for receiving the grant, applicants must be willing to provide organisational support to the coordination team during the Summer School. This will not interfere with their full participation in the classes, and is a valuable opportunity to meet with the professors.

## What we offer :

- Feedback on your PhD project by members of the Odysseus Academic Network, who are among the best specialists in immigration and asylum law in Europe;
- Two weeks of intensive interaction and networking with PhD researchers as well as the professors teaching at the Odysseus Summer School;
- Access to the Odysseus library during the Summer School, containing hundreds of books on EU immigration and asylum law;
- The option of recording a 3-minute podcast explaining the topic and aim of your thesis, to be published on the Odysseus Academic Network website.

## How to apply

Applicants must complete the following steps:

1. Complete the online registration form for the summer school, available at <http://odysseus-network.eu>;
2. Send, via email to [odysseus@ulb.ac.be](mailto:odysseus@ulb.ac.be), the following documents:
  - A CV with details of the applicant's studies and detailed academic results during each year of studies;
  - A cover page indicating the applicant's name, title of their PhD, name and email address of their supervisor and year of progress of their research;
  - A summary (maximum 2 pages) of the subject of the applicant's PhD, explaining its originality and added value to the current knowledge;
  - A short overview (2 pages) of the structure of the PhD;
  - The proof of payment of €200 covering the administration costs;
  - Applicants for funding should also submit a letter of motivation outlining their academic achievements and their need for support.

Applicants are kindly asked to merge all the above documents into one single PDF file (free services such as [http://www.ilove-pdf.com/merge\\_pdf](http://www.ilove-pdf.com/merge_pdf) are available).

**The deadline for applying to the doctoral seminar is Friday, 5 May 2017.**