

Social Networks – Online and Offline

Special PhD Fellowships at CEU

Social science has long recognized the importance to analyze social networks to address problems such as civic mobilization, the power of informal organizations, the origins of trust, and the generation and adoption of innovations. Recently new opportunities and challenges have opened in social network research: by the explosion of online social networking old problems appeared in new forms – such as the fake news phenomenon, or twitter revolutions – and also new kinds of data became accessible on information sharing, collaborations, and all kinds of social ties.

DNDS at CEU has recognized these new opportunities and challenges and offers **two PhD fellowships to promote the study of social networks**. Students applying to these positions will participate in the regular coursework at the DNDS Network Science PhD program, **and in addition will take at least 4 credits of courses as elective in the areas of classical social theory, contemporary social theory, or advanced sociological methodology.**

Students enrolling in these two positions are expected to formulate a research proposal that investigates the challenges and possibilities that online social networks (collaborative platforms, social networking platforms, messaging and image sharing platforms etc) pose to key problems in the areas of social inequalities, power and influence, political news, the emergence of new institutions, the generation of innovations, or civic activism.

You can join this scheme by applying to the [Network Science PhD Program](#). Please indicate in your application letter that you are interested in this special fellowship. Applications should be made electronically. For details see: <https://www.ceu.edu/admissions/how-to-apply/>

Application deadline is January 31, 2019.

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