

European Industrial Heritage Summer School

Shaping Sustainability in Industrial Heritage

August 10-25, 2024 | Berlin

The European Industrial Heritage Summer School is an intensive 14-day academic program. The unique combination of theoretical discussions, site visits and workshops in a collaborative format provides a holistic learning experience for our participants. The focus is on how to implement sustainability in industrial heritage sites.

The course is aimed at students from a wide range of disciplines, including museum studies, cultural studies, history - especially public history, industrial archaeology, cultural and tourism management, architecture and urban planning, as well as conservation, sustainability and communication studies. Students from other disciplines are also warmly welcome.

PREPARATION

Prior to the Summer School, you will visit an industrial heritage site, preferably in your home region. Later, in Berlin, you will present the site to the group. Ideally, this will be a site on the European Route of Industrial Heritage (ERIH) [www.erih.net]. If necessary, we can help you find a suitable site. Once we have confirmed your participation, we will send you a questionnaire for your visit. If you can't visit the site in person, you can alternatively research online and arrange a video call with a member of staff at your chosen site.

On the 6th of July, we will meet online for a mandatory pre-meeting. You will get to know the other participants and the Summer School team and be able to ask any questions you may have.

ON SITE IN BERLIN

During the first half of the Summer School we will focus on gaining knowledge and discussing the overall theme of industrial heritage. What exactly is industrial heritage? What are the different sites of industrial heritage? What does sustainability mean in the context of industrial heritage? Are there already examples of good practice for sustainability in industrial heritage? In sessions with inspiring experts, you will deepen your knowledge of industrial heritage, its current use, and its communication and marketing in relation to sustainability. In this phase of the Summer School you will also present your visited site.

In the second half of the Summer School, we will bring together the main challenges and questions. We will reflect on whether and how industrial heritage sites can (credibly) become places of good practice in sustainability.

The subsequent project workshops are based on the BarCamp format. As a participant, you will work in small groups to develop solutions and initial project ideas. You will contribute your knowledge and skills. In small groups you will decide for yourself which ideas you want to pursue and develop into projects. You will practice intercultural communication, the organization of a joint project and acquire methodological skills. The Summer School team will be there to advise you. At the end, you will present your concepts and share your experiences. To wrap up the program, we are planning some exciting visits to industrial heritage sites in Berlin.

After the Summer School you are warmly invited to stay in contact with the European Route of Industrial Heritage and become part of the new Young Professional Network. The Summer School and results of the working groups will be presented at the ERIH annual conference in October.

The implementation of the program is enabled by the European Route of Industrial Heritage.

Partners



KEY FACTS

Where	Berlin, Germany The workrooms are located on the Wilhelminenhof Campus of HTW Berlin.
When	Obligatory preparation meeting online: July 6th, 2024, 9–13 CET On Site in Berlin: 10–25 August 2024
Who	Students from Europe, aged 18-30 years old, with an interest in industrial culture and heritage.
Teaching language	English. We require B2 English language skills.
Certification	Certification of participation (4 ECTS) Participants must apply for recognition at their university on their own behalf.
Accommodation	You will stay in shared rooms in the guesthouse of a Berlin canoe club near the HTW Berlin. During the Summer School you will live and work in a community of your own design. Two participants from Berlin will be at your side as team leaders. The house is for the group's use only and at your responsibility. The location is directly on the water with a barbecue area, kitchen, large common room, shared sanitary facilities and free WiFi.
Meals	The participation fee includes a food allowance (breakfast, lunch, dinner). Participants use this allowance to provide for themselves and organize a shopping and kitchen plan together.
Free time	Berlin hosts enormous cultural diversity and has got everything to spend your free time in an exciting way.
Fellowship	The Summer School is a program of the European Route of Industrial Heritage in cooperation with the Berlin Center for Industrial Heritage and the HTW Berlin. The acceptance to the Summer School is linked to an ERIH scholarship, which allows to keep the participation fees low.

Participation fees	360 € <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accomodation • Costs for joint self-catering • Costs for external lecturers and materials • Cultural program (additional activities outside classroom) • Room and laboratory use at the HTW Berlin • Public transport in Berlin for the duration of the Summer School
Costs to be considered individually	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Travel expenses • Visa costs (depending on nationality) • Health and liability insurance • Other (living) expenses, e. g. additional food and drinks, phone, leisure activities
Capacity	A maximum of 22 students will be admitted.
Application	Eligible are all bachelor, master or doctoral/PhD students who have completed at least their 2nd semester and who are enrolled at a university. We strive to make the group international and diverse.
Submission of application	From March 20, 2024
Confirmation of acceptance	From April 5, 2024 on a rolling basis until all places are allocated.