

CBSE Early Career Researchers Writing Workshop

To mark its 50th anniversary, *Journal of Baltic Studies*, in association with Routledge, Taylor & Francis, will be holding a writing workshop for Early Career Researchers (ECRs) during the 2019 Conference on Baltic Studies in Europe (CBSE). This three-hour workshop is primarily intended to benefit early-to-mid-career scholars working in the field of Baltic studies at any global academic institution. Authors should submit their application and a first draft of their paper by **30th April 2019**. See below for further details.

AIMS OF THE WORKSHOP

The workshop aims to provide an opportunity for ECRs to interact with established scholars drawn from key academic institutions, the *Journal of Baltic Studies* Editorial Board, the Association for the Advancement of Baltic Studies (AABS) and the publishing industry. It is intended as a platform for capacity development in our discipline. It seeks to contribute to the development of a cadre of scholars who will be actively involved in writing and publishing, and in progressing the field. It will use a small group mentoring approach through which up to 10 participants will work on their papers guided by an experienced academic Editor and Editorial Board members.

The workshop also aims to stimulate new thinking and encourage writing in new research areas, using novel approaches to research and writing on Baltic studies, and which engage with the themes and aims and scope of the major journal in our field, *Journal of Baltic Studies*.

The Organising Committee that will select papers and authors for mentoring during the workshop is made up of leading scholars from the Editorial Board of *Journal of Baltic Studies*. They will seek original research and critical thinking and will look for papers that show the value of empirical studies for broader societal issues. During the workshop, papers may also be discussed by attendees, alongside the academic Editor and Editorial Board members, where critique will be delivered in an egalitarian atmosphere.

After the workshop some mentors may continue to give advice to authors until the paper is ready for submission to *Journal of Baltic Studies*, or guidance may be provided on journals more suited to the topic, should the submitted paper not fall within the remit of *Journal of Baltic Studies*. Having participated in the writing workshop does not guarantee future publication a participant's paper in *Journal of Baltic Studies*.

REQUIREMENTS

Participants must currently be in the final stages of a PhD or have defended their PhD within the last seven years.

Participants must have prepared a paper for the workshop for mentoring, which should be broadly in line with the [aims of scope](#) of *Journal of Baltic Studies*.

SUBMISSION AND CONFIRMATION

Participants must submit the following by **17th May 2019**:

(1) a CV

(2) a first draft of their paper, of between 5,000-10,000 words.

Applications should be submitted to jbs@ucrs.uu.se with the **subject line 'CBSE ECR workshop application'**.

The Organising Committee will inform applicants by **31st May 2019** if they have been successful. If you do not receive a response by this date, please assume that your application has been unsuccessful on this occasion.

QUERIES

Please direct any queries to jbs@ucrs.uu.se and madeleine.markey@tandf.co.uk.

