Hey there! Are you new in Berlin, exploring opportunities for studying, working and learning here? Have you found yourself wondering about the meaning of freedom for your life here, your opportunities and your education?

Join us on a journey to uncover the essence of “freedom” and its implications for personal and societal growth. Together, we will challenge existing narratives and amplify your voices that often go unheard. Let’s redefine the boundaries of academic freedom, pave the way for a more inclusive and diverse academic landscape, and through this a more equitable future.

Led by artist-educators with lived experience of displacement, you’ll get the chance to work in a small group to share your stories, aspirations, and expectations about education, academic study and research. Together, you’ll do research and create a video to document your findings in creative ways. The video will be shared widely across Berlin.

Urgently wanted: Freedom of Research and Learning is a collaboration of Off University e.V. and the research project “Beyond Social Cohesion: RePLITO (Global Repertoires of Living Together)” at Department of Gender and Media Studies for the South Asian Region (GAMS), Institute for Asian and African Studies, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin.

Urgently Wanted. Freedom of Research and Learning is part of the Wissenschaftsjahr (“Science Year”) 2024 – Freedom initiative by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research, which brings together events and activities for people to get involved in science.
What to expect:

- Engage in a dynamic collaboration where we research and create together.
- Collaborate with experienced scholars and fellow New Arrivals.
- Craft a short video.
- Challenge existing narratives and redefine freedom.

What’s required:

- Age 18 to 35
- Open to students already enrolled at a German institution and those not yet in education.
- Participants are not required to have prior knowledge to participate in the workshop. The only prerequisite is to bring a smart-phone with a camera.
- You only need basic English.
- Participation is FREE.

Dates, times and locations:

Workshop dates: 15-16 June and 22-23 June

Time: 11:00-17:00 (including lunch break)

Location: in central Berlin - TBC

Program details: On the first day we will explore the history and theory of video activism, and on the second day we will focus on the technical aspects of filmmaking. The third and fourth days of the workshop will be dedicated to viewing and reviewing the footage, classifying and selecting footage for editing, and working together on a draft edit with the participation of the editor.

Participants will be involved in the presentation of the final work on various occasions.

How to join:

Eager to be part of this transformative journey? Contact us to learn more about Urgently Wanted. Freedom of Research and Learning and secure your place.

We look forward to hearing from you.

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