Call for applications: Outgoing Research Visits

The Zukunftskolleg of the University of Konstanz provides funding for up to

3 Research Visits for Zukunftskolleg Fellows

for one to six months to either a partner institution or a location of the applicant’s choice.

Aim

This funding programme seeks to enhance the learning experiences of our fellows and support their international career paths. The programme provides funding for the Zukunftskolleg’s fellows to take on temporary assignments at a partner Institute for Advanced Study (IAS) OR any international research university. The Research Visits are intended to facilitate research collaboration or publications, enable new teaching experiences or provide for a scientific retreat for fellows to complete papers, books or project proposals. It offers an opportunity to finish ongoing work and/or to identify and explore new and innovative directions for future research. Moreover, fellows can establish stronger international networks within academia and consequently advance their own career development.

We encourage fellows to invest ample time into their Research Visits. Thus, the duration of temporary assignments should range from one to six months. The grant may be used to cover travel and accommodation costs. The fellow’s salary will continue to be paid by the Zukunftskolleg during the temporary assignment.

Host institutions

Fellows can choose from a list of partner institutions OR identify and contact host institutions fellows themselves. The external host should provide fellows with working infrastructure (office, IT, library/lab access, etc.) and administrative support with organisational matters during their one to six month stay. Ideally, programme participants will promote scholarly collaboration across disciplines while profiting from the career supporting measures at each host institution.

If you choose a partner Institute for Advanced Study as your host institution, no letter of intent is necessary, as the Zukunftskolleg and the listed partner IAS have already agreed on the terms of Research Visits. After the successful application, the Zukunftskolleg Central Office will forward the fellow’s documents and discuss possible dates and capacities with the respective partner institute. Please find a current list of partner institutes below.

- Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iaşi – Iaşi/ Romania
- Centre for Liberal Arts and Social Sciences – Singapore
- Collegium Helveticum – Zurich/ Switzerland
- Darwin College – Cambridge/ United Kingdom
- Israel Institute for Advanced Studies – Jerusalem/ Israel
- Martin Buber Society – Jerusalem/ Israel
- Waseda Institute for Advanced Study – Tokyo/ Japan

We are continuously enlarging and deepening our institutional ties worldwide. We will keep you updated on new partnerships. Please find the profiles of all IAS partners in our intranet and additional information on our website.

If you choose to select a different host institution, you will need the host to specify its commitment in a letter of intent. Templates are available from the Central Office. As the Zukunftskolleg is member in the NetIAS (Network of European Institutes for Advanced Study) and UBIAS network (University-based Institutes for Advanced Study) a Research Visit at any of the affiliated institutes is recommended. More details are available from the Central Office (Daniela Kromrey).

**Eligibility**

Zukunftskolleg Postdoctoral, Hector and Research Fellows are invited to apply for Research Visits if their fellowships are scheduled to end after their return from abroad (ideally 3 months should be left in the fellowship period upon return).

**Application**

Submit your application documents in English as a single PDF file to zukunftskolleg@uni-konstanz.de. Applications should include:

- A letter of motivation (max. 2 pages) explaining the planned objectives for your stay abroad as well as your choice of partner institute OR external host of your own choice;
- In case of research institution of own choice: documentation of interest in the cooperation (i.e. formal letter of intent) and a brief profile of the institution/university;
- Timeline for the proposed activities;
- Expenditure plan (Please keep in mind that the last date to place your orders at the Division of Financial Affairs of the University of Konstanz is September 15, 2019. Furthermore, the deadline for paying the bills of the expenditures is October 31, 2019).

At the end of the visit, we expect a report on how the objectives of the research stay were or were not achieved (1 page).

**Application deadline:** January 31, 2019