Call for applications: Outgoing Research Visits

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

3 x Outgoing Research Visits for Zukunftskolleg Fellows

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

Aim

This support measure 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 three 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 three 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.

- Centre for Liberal Arts and Social Sciences – Singapore
- Collegium Helveticum – Zurich
- Darwin College – Cambridge
- Israel Institute for Advanced Studies – Jerusalem
- Martin Buber Society – Jerusalem
Waseda Institute for Advanced Study – Tokyo

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 the 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).

The Outgoing Centre of the University provides support with planning and preparing for a research stay abroad (Contact: Dr. Anke Hagedorn, Director Outgoing Centre; E-mail: Anke.Hagedorn@uni-konstanz.de).

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.

Deadline: 15.02.2020