The Zukunftskolleg

The Zukunftskolleg is an Institute for Advanced Study at the University of Konstanz founded in 2007. It offers 2-year and 5-year fellowships as well as a diverse support network to promote the independence of early career researchers. Scholars in the humanities, social and natural sciences come to Konstanz from across the world to perform first-class research.

The fellows have responsibility for their own research group and funds. They are members of the Zukunftskolleg and one of the 13 departments at the University of Konstanz.

International Fellows*

*Nationality other than German – from 27 different countries.

Fellowship Types

- Research Fellowship (5-year)
- Hector Fellowship (6-year)
- Postdoctoral Fellowship (2-year)
- Senior Fellowship

49 Senior Fellows
85 Mentorships

Experienced researchers are tremendous sources of knowledge. The Zukunftskolleg supports intergenerationality with several funding instruments that build bridges between experienced and junior researchers. For example, fellows can invite Senior Fellows or apply for our Mentorship Programme.

Working Conditions

- Academic Staff Development
- Research Support
- Office for Equal Opportunity, Family Affairs and Diversity
- Welcome Center
- Co-Funding
- Funding for Cooperation Initiatives
- Independent Research Grant
- Seed Fund Programme for Research
- Membership
- Research Visit
- Scientific Retreat

Organisation and Bodies

Simplified depiction of communication and decision-making structures

Departmental Association of all Fellows

The Zukunftskolleg's 5i strategy

Early independence with an international, intergenerational, intra-university and interdisciplinary angle.

Facts & Figures

113 Fellows

61%

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All figures: November 2007 – February 2019, including fellows from the 13th call for applications.

The Zukunftskolleg is a keystone in the University of Konstanz's institutional strategy to promote top-level research.