



Suslowa-Postdoc-Fellowship Supplementary regulations to the Forschungskredit 2020: Postdoc

Valid only for the **application period 2020 (submission deadline 3 February 2020)**. Significant modifications in comparison to the previous application period are marked with a .

1. General terms

With the award of one Suslowa-Postdoc-Fellowship per year the UZH enables a female or male post-doctoral researcher to return to the academic career after a career break or a delay in research activities due to incompatibility reasons.

The fellowship includes, as a rule, a salary for a period of 18 to 24 months (according to experience, the Forschungskredit Postdoc awards 6 to 12 months). In addition, the awardee can present his/her research results in an UZH publication (if possible and in an appropriate form; e.g., UZH News).

Submission of applications and approval take place within the procedure of the Postdoc funding line of the Forschungskredit. In principle, the same application requirements and approval criteria apply as stated in the application guidelines for the Forschungskredit Postdoc. In addition, the following regulations apply to the Suslowa-Postdoc-Fellowship. Applicants who apply for the Suslowa-Postdoc-Fellowship apply automatically and simultaneously for the Forschungskredit Postdoc.

Supplement to section 1.1 of the guidelines: Personal requirements

Female and male Postdocs whose research activities have been interrupted or delayed because of incompatibility reasons may apply for the Suslowa-Postdoc-Fellowship.

A time-out for childcare, a longer and more serious illness, the care of elderly or sick relatives or death in the closest family (partner, children) are recognized as incompatibility reasons. The reasons must be explained in the supplementary application form.

Interruptions due to military service, legal maternity leave, social services, longer research stays abroad, private stays abroad, changes of residence due to changes in the partner's professional life, or unemployment are **not recognized**.

As a rule, a 9- to 24-month phase during which the research activity must be completely or largely suspended is recognized as an interruption (a level of employment of max. 40% - in phases or during the entire period - will be accepted). The interruption phase must last until the date of submission of the application (i. e. the deadline for submission of the Forschungskredit Postdoc, 1 February 2019). Therefore, the end date for calculating the interruption period is 1 February 2019. The start date and the duration of the recognized interruption (number of months) must be stated in the supplementary application form.

Supplement to section 1.2 of the guidelines: Outset and duration of funding

The fellowship includes, as a rule, a salary for a period of 18 to 24 months (LK 18/03, employment level 100%). The employment level can be less than 100%, but must be at least 50%. In case of a reduced employment level the duration of the funding is extended accordingly.

2. Application procedure

Supplement to section 2.2 of the guidelines: Evaluation and decision

A representative of the Gender Equality Commission or the Office for Gender Equality of the UZH will be involved in the evaluation for the purpose of assessing the reasons and the duration of the interruption on the basis of the document submitted.

Each faculty (or its representative in the research commission of the UZH) can propose one applicant for the Suslowa-Postdoc-Fellowship who is considered worthy of funding according to the usual evaluation criteria. The decision on the funding is made by the UZH Research Committee. One fellowship is awarded per year.

4. Application documents

Supplement to section 4 of the guidelines: Application form

Please state "Application for the Suslowa-Postdoc-Fellowship " in the general comments section of the application form.

Supplement to section 5 of the guidelines: Documents

Please fill in the additional form "SPF_2020_Application_(your_name)", in which you

1. explain the reasons for the recognized interruption,
2. indicate the start and end dates and the duration of the recognized interruption (number of months) and the level of employment (in the case of a research activity only partially suspended), and
3. explain your motivation for resuming your academic career with the Suslowa-Postdoc-Fellowship,

and convert it to PDF format and upload it as an additional document.