Measures and Recommendations of the Medical Faculty of the University of Bern to support Students and Researchers from Ukraine

1. Teaching

Special status exchange students:

- Applicants for the programs of Human and Dental Medicine must possess Status S, or at least have already applied for it.
- Free enrollment as a visiting student (Gaststudiernde) for fall semester 2022 and/or spring semester 2023
- Participation in all courses and exams is possible (depending on language skills)
- Possibility to attend a German intensive language course, level B1.2/B2.1 on 22 August – 15 September 2022 (more information on the website of the University of Bern)
- Acquisition of ECTS credits
- Completion of a Bachelor/Master degree is not possible!

Regular study status:

- is possible in two English-taught master’s programs of the Medical Faculty Master in Biomedical Sciences or Master in Biomedical Engineering

Please find more information on the website Incoming - Ukraine of the University of Bern. Applications are to be submitted though the official application link mentioned on this website.

For general questions about admission to study programs of the University of Bern as a regular student, please contact the Admissions Office (ZIB)

2. Research

2.1. Researchers

The Medical Faculty recommends a sustainable integration of Ukrainian researchers into existing research groups whenever possible. The responsibility for establishing grants and recruiting researchers lies with the clinics/institutes. The faculty
recommends matching funds by the clinics/institutes. (The dean's office/the faculty cannot provide any jobs)

Researchers are advised to contact de clinics/institutes directly:

Find an overview of the institutes and centers [here](#)

Find an overview of the clinics of the Inselspital, University Hospital [here](#)

The following websites can be consulted for medical job offers:

- [https://www.inselgruppe.ch/de/jobs-und-karriere/offene-stellen](https://www.inselgruppe.ch/de/jobs-und-karriere/offene-stellen)
- [https://www.fmhjob.ch/stellen-praxen-markt](https://www.fmhjob.ch/stellen-praxen-markt)
- [https://www.medicjobs.ch](https://www.medicjobs.ch)
- [https://www.praktischarzt.ch/](https://www.praktischarzt.ch/)

At University of Bern, the employment of Ukrainian researchers is possible regularly due to the protection status/permit S. ([Factsheet Status S](#) by the Swiss Refugee Council).

### 2.2. Grants for Visiting Professors/Post-doctoral Researchers

The Medical Faculty provides grants for short-term stays (max. 5 months) for 5 – 10 visiting scholars (professors/post-doctoral researchers) from Ukraine. The call will be launched in the last week of July 2022 on your [website](#).

### 3. Further financing options

In addition to the individual grants of the clinics/institutes, various funding opportunities of the Medical Faculty and the University of Bern can be found [here](#)

A possible temporary initial funding by the University of Bern for researchers in the period of transition until the obtaining of Status S is currently being clarified.

### 4. Fundraising campaign of the Medical Faculty

The Medical Faculty initiated a [fundraising campaign through the Swiss Red Cross](#) in aid of Ukraine. The campaign closed on 1st of May 2022, the faculty collected a total amount of CHF 52’385.00 in favor of Ukraine. This donation contributes to humanitarian aid for those affected in Ukraine.
5. **Transportation of medical equipment/products**

The Medical Faculty has already carried out transports of medical material to Ukraine.

Other opportunities can be reported to the dean's office for coordination purposes fakultaet@meddek.unibe.ch

6. **Coordination of private accommodation for researchers or students from Ukraine**

The dean's office of the Medical Faculty collects offers and requests regarding private accommodation and acts as an intermediary to coordinate supply and demand.

*I offer private accommodation:*

Members of the Medical Faculty who would like to provide private accommodation for researchers or students from Ukraine, please contact the dean's office fakultaet@meddek.unibe.ch

*I am looking for private accommodation:*

Researchers or students from Ukraine who are looking for accommodation in the region of Bern, please contact the dean's office fakultaet@meddek.unibe.ch

If you opt to place your private accommodation through the Swiss Refugee Council, please click [here](#)

For information about the placement of private accommodation through the Swiss Refugee Council, please click [here](#)

7. **Points of Contact at the University of Bern**

*University of Bern*

The University of Bern offers a range of measures, especially in terms of teaching, translation and access to the services of the University of Bern. An overview of all the measures taken by the University of Bern can be found [here](#)

*Ukrainian Society at the University of Bern*
The Ukrainian Society at the University of Bern provides a platform for communication and mutual support for Ukrainian scholars affiliated with University of Bern (UniBe) as well as with Bern University of Applied Sciences (BFH). An overview of the measures taken by the Ukrainian Society of the University of Bern can be found [here](#).

**UniBE Coordinator for Scholars at Risk:**

Scholars at Risk at the University of Bern is coordinated at UniBE International. Further information and contact details can be found [here](#).

8. **Further information and points of contact**

- Website [Scholars at Risk](#)
- Website [Science for Ukraine](#)
- Website of the [Swiss Refugee Council](#)
- Website of the [State Secretariat for Migration SEM](#)
- Website of the [Health, Social and Integration Directorate, Canton of Bern](#)
- Website of the [Swiss Red Cross](#)

*The document is updated regularly.*

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