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Grants for Visiting Scholars from Ukraine

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As an academic institution, the Medical Faculty of the University of Bern believes that international scientific exchange is a fundamental criterion for peace in Europe and may not be interrupted; especially not in such difficult times of conflict.

The Medical Faculty has developed a number of initiatives. Please find an overview on our [website](#), which is updated regularly.

In addition, the Medical Faculty has decided to offer grants to visiting scholars (professors and post-doctoral researchers) from Ukraine, to teach and / or to conduct research at the Medical Faculty of the University of Bern.

The grants provide a maximum of 2,000 CHF per full month spent at the Medical Faculty of the University of Bern (pro-rated per week for shorter periods), for periods of up to 5 months (max. amount of 10,000 CHF per scholar). Matching grants (e.g. from the host institutions) are accepted. Appointments as visiting scholars do not include a regular University of Bern salary and thus, does not entail to a university employment.

Eligibility

The application itself must be submitted by the candidates together with a host professor of the Medical Faculty of the University of Bern. The host institution of the Medical Faculty (institute / school / department) guarantees the administration of the the grant and provides appropriate research facilities as well as fully supports the visiting scholar in all professional and private matters during the stay, e.g. IT support, searching for private accommodation, etc.

Visiting scholars are expected to hold an academic degree (post-doctoral researchers or professors; *no* PhD candidates) and to be affiliated with a Ukrainian academic research institution. During their stay and in agreement with the host institution, candidates may pursue their research activities and are encouraged to offer teaching at the host institution, if appropriate.

Application Guidelines

The application must include:

- 1) A letter from the host professor requesting the grant
- 2) The curriculum vitae of the proposed grantee
- 3) A description of the project and / or teaching to be conducted at the Medical Faculty
- 4) Budget for the stay, including sources and amounts of other additional funding
- 5) The exact dates of the stay

Deadlines and Submission

Applications may be submitted **on a rolling basis**. The Medical Faculty has a fixed annual budget for grants, so we encourage applications to be submitted as early as possible. However, we do ask that applications are submitted at least 4 weeks before the proposed stay. Please note that the Medical Faculty does only provide grants for candidates who are on site at the Medical Faculty of the University of Bern during their stay.

Host professors should submit applications only *electronically* via e-mail to the following address: fakultaet@meddek.unibe.ch. (Please do not send applications on paper.)

After the Grant

The grantee and host professor must submit a 1-2 page final report to the Medical Faculty at the end of the grant period, to detail their progress on the research project and / or teaching activities. Quotes from this report may be used in the Medical Faculty's annual report or on its website.

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