Call for AAA Fellowships

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

Five AAA Fellowships for early career researchers from Latin America, Africa and Asia

At the Zukunftskolleg, lasting up to three (or in justified cases six) months, to be completed before November 2019.

Aim

The Zukunftskolleg’s AAA Fellowships support early career researcher from Africa, Asia and Latin America. The AAA Fellowships have a duration of up to three (or six) months and are offered to researchers related to one of the thirteen departments of the University of Konstanz. You can use this time to extend your research networks and to get to know the research environment at the University of Konstanz, without losing your ties to your home university. As these fellowships can build a first bridge to the German and European academic system, we also encourage doctoral students in their last year to apply. As an AAA Fellow, you will have a Zukunftskolleg Fellow as a partner who will help you integrate into your respective department and will support you during your research.

Funding follows DAAD rules¹ and will include a stipend of 1.200€/ month and a contribution to travelling to Konstanz and back. The Zukunftskolleg will not offer employment contracts for AAA fellows. You may negotiate a contribution to health insurance and visa costs with the Central Office after the application was granted by the Executive Committee.

Benefits for visiting researchers

- Status as associated Fellow at the Zukunftskolleg;
- The opportunity to present your research work to an interdisciplinary community at the Zukunftskolleg’s weekly Jour Fixe;
- Interaction with a lively international community of peers and support with contacting other researchers in your area of research;
- Access to events organized by the Zukunftskolleg;
- Access to library resources;
- Access to IT services;
- Access to research support services (via Research Support, Academic Staff Development);
- Access to soft skill and cultural awareness courses (via Welcome Center, Academic Staff Development and external cooperation partners).

¹ https://www.daad.de/deutschland/stipendium/hinweise/en/27334-frequently-asked-questions/
Obligations for visiting researchers

- You will live in Konstanz or nearby throughout the AAA Fellowship (the Welcome Centre of the University of Konstanz will gladly provide support with all organisational aspects of relocating to Konstanz);
- You will actively contribute to the interdisciplinary dialogue at the Zukunftskolleg during the weekly Jour Fixe meetings (during semester);
- You will interact with fellows and researchers in relevant departments at the University of Konstanz;
- You will give a presentation in a seminar or a public lecture;
- You will acknowledge Zukunftskolleg support in any publications resulting from the stay;
- You will write a short report (1 page) on your activities and achievements (within 6 months of completing your AAA Fellowship).

Eligibility

- You are from an AAA country.
- You hold a doctorate or equivalent professional qualification OR are a doctoral student in your last year. Please provide either the certificate or a letter from your supervisor commenting on the progress of your doctoral thesis.
- You do not hold a permanent academic position or a professorship, nor do you have a Habilitation or equivalent (Venia legendi).
- Your research project should tie in with one of the disciplines represented at the University of Konstanz.
- You should identify a researcher at the University of Konstanz with whom you intend to collaborate. Preference will be given to applicants who plan to team up with one of our current Zukunftskolleg Fellows.

Application

Please submit your application documents in English as a single PDF file to zukunftskolleg@uni-konstanz.de. Applications should include:

- Description or short summary of your current research project (maximum 3 pages);
- CV and a copy of your doctoral certificate or a letter of your supervisor commenting on the progress of your doctoral thesis;
- Timeline and objectives for the research stay at the Zukunftskolleg (Please note that funds have to be spent by October 31, 2019);
- A letter of support will strengthen the application. For doctoral students a letter from the supervisor is sufficient.

Deadlines: 31 March 2019 and 30 April 2019

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