SNSF- Career Funding Schemes
Advanced Researchers

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Provide informations and advises on issues relating to:

- Research grants of the SNSF
- Cooperation projects funded by the confederation
- Implementation of regional and national cooperations

Provide personalized coaching measures to researchers
Careers – Funding by scheme

https://www.unige.ch/recherche/fr/financements/carriere/
Careers - Funding for advanced researchers

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Ambizione

Aim
– Create conditions for starting an independent career in Switzerland

Personal requirements
– Postdoctoral research activities of at least 12 months at a different university from that of the dissertation
– Eligibility window: 1-4 years after PhD/equivalent qualification
– MD: at least 3 years of postgraduate clinical activity; up to 9 years after the medical license

Objective requirements
– Work-time percentage generally 100% (at least 80% in specific cases)
– Medical researchers doing clinical work: 80–90% project and training related to the project, minimum 10% clinical activities
Ambizione

Duration

- 4 years (no extension)

Type of grants

- Ambizione grant with salary: salary of grantee and project funds
- Ambizione project grant: only project funds

Eligible costs

- Candidates with sufficient experience may apply for a PhD student
- Project funds: max. CHF 400’000 for 4 years
- Project funds (personnel, equipment, consumables, travel,...)

Submission deadline

- November 1\textsuperscript{st} – 5.00 p.m.
PRIMA
(Promoting Women in Academia)

Aim

– Selective promotion of excellent women researchers who have a potential for an academic career (i.e. to be appointed as a professor)
– Lead own team to realise an independent research project

Personal requirements

– PhD or MD-PhD
– Applicants without a PhD/MD-PhD: 3 years of research activities as equivalent qualification
– 2 -10 years after PhD/equivalent qualification
– 2 years of postdoctoral research activity
– No formal mobility requirement for submission

Objective requirements

– Work-time generally 100% (at least 80% in specific cases)
PRIMA
(Promoting Women in Academia)

Duration
- 5 years (no extension)

Eligible costs
- Salary of grantee
- Project funds max CHF 750’000 / 5 years
- Project funds (personnel, equipment, consumables, travel,...)

Submission deadline :
- November 1\textsuperscript{st} - 5.00 p.m.

22 grants awarded this year
Eccellenza Professoral Fellowships

Aim
– Realise your independent research project at a higher institution in Switzerland at professorial level

Personal requirements
– 3-8 years after PhD or equivalent qualification
– MD-PhD: at least 3 years of clinical activity after graduation and up to 12 years after obtaining medical licence
– 2 years of postdoctoral research activity at different university from that of the dissertation; at least 12 months abroad
– Swiss university degree, Swiss nationality or at least 2 years of research activity in Switzerland

Objective requirements
– Work-time generally 100% (at least 80% in specific cases)
Eccellenza Professoral Fellowships

Duration

- 5 years (no extension)

Eligible costs

- Salary of grantee (assistant professor level)
- Project funds up to CHF 1’000’000
- Project funds (personnel, equipment, consumables, travel, etc.)

Submission deadline:

- February 1\textsuperscript{st} - 5.00 p.m.

45 awarded per year including fellowships and grants together
Eccellenza Grants

Aim

– Set up your own team at professorial level to realise your independent research project at a higher institution in Switzerland

Personal requirements

– Recently appointed tenure-track assistant professor in Switzerland
– No requirement for eligibility window or mobility
– Employment started no earlier than 18 months before the submission deadline or commencing on the project start date at the latest
– No possibility to extend the eligibility window
Eccellenza Grants

Duration
- 5 years (no extension)

Eligible costs
- Project funds up to CHF 1’500’000
- Project funds (personnel, equipment, consumables, travel, etc.)

Submission deadline:
- February 1\textsuperscript{st} - 5.00 p.m.

45 awarded per year including fellowships and grants together
Aim

- Enable research-oriented physicians to complete a second course of study at a Swiss University leading to the conferral of a doctorate in the fields of science, public health, clinical research or bioethics.

- The MD-PhD programme, a joint effort of the Swiss Academy of Medical Sciences (SAMS) and the Swiss National Science Foundation

Personal requirements

- Applicants must have successfully completed a course of study in human, dental or veterinary medicine before the funding begins.
MD-PhD

Duration

- 3 years (no extension)

Submission conditions:

- Information on application submission on the SAMS website:
  - [https://www.samw.ch/en/Funding/MD-PhD-Program.html](https://www.samw.ch/en/Funding/MD-PhD-Program.html)

Submission deadline:

- December 15th, 2018 – 5.00 pm

10 grants awarded this year
Extension of eligibility windows

Valid reasons for applying for an extension of eligibility windows:

- maternity: 18 months per child
- paternity, adoption or parental leave
- inability to work due to illness or accident
- care duties
- services that benefit the general public (military or civilian service)
- continuing education in connection with the applicant’s research activities (internships or clinical work)
General remarks

• Start planning your submission early (deadlines are strict and non-negotiable)

• Register on mySNF as early as possible
  • Create a mySNF account (www.mysnf.ch)

⇒ Note that this may take up to 48 hours

• Invest enough time for preparing all required documents. You are competing with hundreds of applicants, i.e. your proposal must stand out and make a difference
Procedure before *mySNF*

- Check the submission deadline (Swisslocal **time-16h59'59'**) 
- Read regulations and guidelines for the funding scheme 
- Contact **Service Recherche** or **SNSF the Administrative Offices** if you need any further information 
- Select the correct funding scheme (not all the forms are identical!) 
- Make sure you follow all the instructions in *mySNF* (format, structure, language and document names as required...)

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Institutional confirmations

- Procedures are sent to all Faculties, and published on the website of Service Recherche

- Written confirmation from the research institution consists of two separate letters:
  - Detailed confirmation signed by the contact person and the head of the institute/department (integration, support, independence, assessment of planned project, etc.)
  - General confirmation by the vice rectorate for research (or equivalent)

- Written confirmation from the vice rectorate could be obtained from Service Recherche, only if the candidate received the commitment from the head of institute/department
Optimise your chances of success!!!

Contact us!

Get informations early to identify best funding opportunities

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All SNSF and National research fundings schemes
More informations!

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