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## Swiss Government Excellence Scholarships

### Postdoctoral Scholarships

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<b>allowances</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ Mandatory Swiss Health insurance paid by the FCS (for non-EU or EFTA grantees only)</li> <li>⇒ A lump sum for air fare for non-European grantees only (provided at the end of the scholarship)</li> <li>⇒ Special 300 Swiss Francs lodging allowance (paid once at the beginning of the scholarship)</li> <li>⇒ 1 year half-fare public transportation card</li> <li>⇒ Counseling and various trips, dinners and sight seeing tours organized for Swiss Government Scholarship holders</li> </ul>
<b>Eligibility Criteria and specific conditions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ PhD degree</li> <li>⇒ There cannot be a gap of more than 5 years between the award of the PhD and the application deadline</li> <li>⇒ Applicants who are in Switzerland for more than 1 year at the beginning of the scholarship are not eligible</li> <li>⇒ Applicants must provide a letter (e-mail) from a Professor from the Swiss host institution stating that he/she is willing to supervise the postdoctoral research</li> <li>⇒ Applicants must have a research proposal including a timeframe (this is the central piece of the application. The applicant must devote all required attention to it)</li> <li>⇒ Applicants must be in command of the necessary language skills required for the Postdoctoral Research</li> <li>⇒ Applicants who have already benefited from a Swiss Government Scholarship are not eligible to apply for a second scholarship</li> </ul>
<b>Application Procedure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ The application package can be obtained by e-mail from the China Scholarship Council in Beijing.</li> <li>⇒ The deadline for the submission of applications is 20/03/2013</li> <li>⇒ Applications have to be submitted in 3 copies (hard copies only)</li> </ul>
<b>Application Time Framework</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ Opening of the call: 01/03/2013</li> <li>⇒ Application Deadline: 20/03/2013</li> <li>⇒ Selection Interview, ask: China Scholarship Council</li> <li>⇒ Beginning of the scholarship: 16.09.2014</li> </ul>
<b>Application documents</b> (Please provide 3 sets of copies on <u>A4 paper</u> . Please do not staple the documents and/or put them into plastic sheets or binders).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ The FCS 2014-2015 official application form (typed and printed). <u>No handwritten forms will be accepted</u></li> <li>⇒ Copies of all university certificates and grade-sheets (all copies must be attested, and translated if originals are not in English, German, French or Italian. Attestations can be done by the University or a Government Officer.</li> <li>⇒ 2 letters of recommendation from Professors in the applicants field (<u>use exclusively</u> the official reference form provided with the application package)</li> <li>⇒ A complete research proposal (max. 5 pages), <u>use exclusively</u> the official research proposal form provided with the application package</li> <li>⇒ A motivation letter (max. 2 pages)</li> <li>⇒ A full curriculum vitae with list of academic publications</li> <li>⇒ A copy of the confirmation from a Professor at the intended Swiss University that he/she is willing to supervise the Postdoctoral Research.</li> <li>⇒ A health certificate (<u>use exclusively</u> the official health certificate provided with the application package)</li> <li>⇒ A copy of the passport (main page with personal data)</li> </ul>

**Contact institution  
for the application**



Questions and application documents, have to be submitted at the following address:

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