



Rising Star – Junior Fellowships in the Department of Biology, Chemistry, Pharmacy

The Rising Star Fellowship Program of the Department of Biology, Chemistry, Pharmacy seeks to attract **outstanding early-career researchers** (who have completed their doctorates within the last four years) **preferably from abroad.**

The Rising Star fellows will take part in the research activities of their host-research groups, will be absorbed into existing research networks (CRCs, BBIB, research training groups, etc.) and will publish their results together with them.

Fellowship specifications and duration

The fellowship is valued at 2,500 € per month for two years. Additional benefits for the Rising Star fellows are:

- monthly mobility allowance of 100 € for conferences, research trips etc., no application necessary. (No other travel or conference support will be provided.)
- allowances for accompanying family members (monthly allowance of up to 276 € for spouses; 204 € for each child, provided there is no entitlement to child benefit)
- in the case of single-parents accompanied by children (400 € per month for the first child and 100 € per month for each additional child)
- where applicable: a contribution towards health insurance amounting to 70 € per month.
- a one-off subsidy of 800 € towards research costs for the host research group

Applications

- Applications will be accepted from preferably international researchers who have completed their doctorate within the last four years.
- ***New***: An additional fellowship is reserved for persons from developing or transition countries in accordance with OECD (except PR China and India), whose applications we explicitly welcome.
- The Fellowship Program is intended to forge new connections and to further interdisciplinary research.
 - Research fellows may not have had any close relationship with Freie Universität. Former doctoral graduates and employees of Freie Universität cannot be considered.
 - Applicants whose research projects span two research groups from two different institutes within the department BCP might have a higher chance of success in the case of equal qualification. Successful applicants can choose one of the two working groups.
- No doctoral theses will be funded. The thesis must have been submitted before applying for the Rising Star Fellowship.



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- The following documents must be **submitted** online:
 - Letter of motivation (max. 1 page)
 - CV with list of publications
 - Research proposal with specific plans as to the cooperation with research groups of the Department of Biology, Chemistry, Pharmacy at Freie Universität (2 to max. 4 pages)
 - Reference letters from two research groups within the Department of Biology, Chemistry, Pharmacy of FU Berlin (may be submitted by the applicants)
 - A copy of the doctoral certificate
- Applications will be addressed to the dean of the Department BCP and sent as one pdf file to the following e-mail address: graduate-center@bcp.fu-berlin.de.
- Application deadlines are **May 31, 2024 and October 31, 2024, 2025: March 31 and October 31** of a year.
- Questions can be addressed to Dr. Alette Winter: graduate-center@bcp.fu-berlin.de.