

Swiss Government Excellence Scholarships for Foreign Scholars for the 2021–2022 Academic Year



Each year the Swiss Confederation awards Government Excellence Scholarships to promote international exchange and research cooperation between Switzerland and over 180 other countries. Recipients are selected by the awarding body, the Federal Commission for Scholarships for Foreign Students (FCS).

The Swiss Government Excellence Scholarships are aimed at young researchers from abroad who have completed a master's degree or PhD.

The **research scholarship** is available to post-graduate researchers in any discipline (who hold a master's degree as a minimum) who are planning to go to Switzerland to pursue research or further studies at doctoral or post-doctoral level. Research scholarships are awarded for research or study at all Swiss cantonal universities, universities of applied sciences and the two federal institutes of technology. Only candidates nominated by an academic mentor at one of these higher education institutions will be considered.

Eligibility:

- For Research and PhD Scholarship: Master's degree or equivalent achieved before 31 July 2021 (degree certificate) and recognised by the Swiss university. Date of birth **after** 31 December 1985 (below 35 years).
- For Postdoctoral Scholarship: PhD degree achieved after 31 December 2017 and before 31 July 2021 (PhD degree certificate).
- Applicants who have been **in Switzerland for more than one year** at the beginning of the scholarship are not eligible.
- Applicants who have **already benefited** from a Swiss Government Excellence Scholarship are not eligible to apply for a second scholarship.

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