



## 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 (SFBs, 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](mailto:graduate-center@bcp.fu-berlin.de).
- Application deadlines are **May 31 and November 30** of a year.
- Questions can be addressed to Ms. Simone Schlender: [graduate-center@bcp.fu-berlin.de](mailto:graduate-center@bcp.fu-berlin.de).