

OSUN GRADUATE MOBILITY PROGRAM

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: SPRING 2024 GRADUATE RESEARCH MOBILITY FUNDING (PERIOD OF MOBILITY: 3 weeks to 2 months between February 2023 and July 2024)

Eligibility

Graduate students (Master's and Doctoral level) enrolled at any of the <u>OSUN member</u> <u>institutions</u>* are eligible to apply in the current round.

*Please note that students need to have active student status at one of the institutions until after the end of their mobility in order to participate in this mobility. This scholarship scheme is intended to fund research within an ongoing graduate degree program at an OSUN institution.

The destination of the research mobility can be any <u>OSUN member institution</u>*, with clear justification of the resources at the institution, including academic materials, faculty experts, and/or community partners relevant to the subject of research conducted by the applicant. The focus of the mobility scheme is on North-South / South-North and South-South mobilities. A connection of the proposed research with an OSUN theme is required. Please see the list of the <u>OSUN Themes</u> here. Former involvement of the applicant in other OSUN activities is also regarded favorably.

Please note that this funding is for Mobility between OSUN institutions, so students cannot apply for funding to do research at their home institution or a non-OSUN institution.

* Please also note that some institutions will only accept PhD candidates for this research mobility: e.g., Global History Lab. Please also note that not all institutions see themselves able to always accommodate research requests.

The application must include an invitation / endorsement letter from the host institution.

When approaching faculty to provide a letter of invitation, please

- Explain the nature of your research project and its relationship to the institution / faculty you are approaching
- What you hope to accomplish during your sojourn
- What programs or seminars you hope to participate in if any
- Dates and duration

• Explain the nature of the program – I.e. that you will receive funding from OSUN, so that faculty don't think they are also being asked for financial support; You cannot assume that faculty are familiar with the OSUN student mobility program!

Research Funding Scholarships

The Program offers a combination of merit- and need-based scholarships that range from \$1,000 to \$,5,000. Please note that all scholarship payments are gross amounts, inclusive of all taxes and benefits.

What can be covered by the scholarship?

Travel and visa expenses, mandatory insurance, accommodations and living stipend for the duration of the research visit (21-60 days) can be covered. Students are required to submit a detailed research funding budget proposal as part of their application.

Application

Applications for OSUN research funding scholarships have to be submitted through the OSUN student mobility application platform: <u>Graduate Research Mobility Application</u>

Application Deadline: October 9, 2023

Applications for research mobility between February 1 and July 31, 2024 are due by 23:59 CET (Vienna) on October 9, 2023. Only complete applications, including both the letter of invitation from the host institution and the letter of recommendation from the student's home institution supervisor/academic advisor will be considered. It is the student's obligation to ensure these are submitted/uploaded by the application deadline.

Application materials you will be asked to submit include the following for all applicants:

- Filled out application form on <u>OSUN student mobility application platform</u>
- Statement of Purpose
- Research proposal and timeline for the mobility period
- Up-to-date resume (CV)
- Letter of support from your supervisor / academic program director at your home institution
- Letter of invitation/endorsement by your proposed research mentor/faculty member at the intended host institution*
- Budget proposal for your research visit
- Please ensure your research has been cleared for potential ethical concerns and be prepared to provide proof of this if selected for a scholarship

*It is the responsibility of the applicant to secure the invitation/endorsement letter. Students can find the contact information of faculty members / researchers of OSUN member institutions online and contact them directly. Students' own faculty can at times be helpful in

setting up connections. When contacting partner institutions please ensure to mention that if your research proposal is selected you will receive funding through OSUN.

Please submit your application here:

Timeline

Applications will be reviewed by the OSUN Graduate Research Mobility Selection Committee composed of representatives of OSUN institutions. All complete applications submitted by October 9, 2023 will be reviewed by mid-November. All candidates will be notified of the decision in November 2023.

Students who were awarded a research grant are required to complete a brief questionnaire on their mobility within four weeks of the completion of the research mobility visit. The follow-up grant questionnaire will include a narrative description of the visit outcomes.

Questions about the OSUN Graduate Mobility program?

Please direct any inquiries you might have to <u>osungraduatemobility@ceu.edu.</u>