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Are you seeking to add an international dimension to your research? Do you want to learn how your colleagues operate across the globe? Apply to the ZHAW Staff Mobility Program through Swissnex!



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Swissnex
Staff
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ZHAW-SWISSNEX STAFF MOBILITY PROGRAM IN SHORT

Zurich University of Applied Sciences cooperates with Swissnex to give ZHAW staff the opportunity to competitively apply for travel to a Swissnex location in order to carry out a professional project of high quality and value. ZHAW staff members in all organizational units can use this program to expand their international and intercultural knowledge in connection with their research and work. The aim is to strengthen the international competencies and connections of staff across ZHAW, which is an integral part of implementing ZHAW's internationalization strategy.



**Travel period:
March to November 2023**

PROGRAM OPTIONS

Select one of the three to apply for

1. Research and project-based mobility

You wish to connect with several other faculty or academic staff that are working in your focus area, in order to foster mutual learning, as well as longer-term collaboration and exchange. Swissnex works with you to establish up to six local contacts in university or research settings in order to support your project. *Duration: 2 weeks. Positions limited.*

2. Job shadowing

You wish to learn and exchange practices with international colleagues who perform a job similar to yours. You will visit one or two local university staff in analogous roles. You will follow them (as allowed) in their everyday job duties and exchange best practices. *Duration: 2 weeks. Only available in Boston, India and Brazil. Positions limited.*

3. Long-term mobility

You wish to embed yourself more deeply in the local ecosystem. Swissnex works with you to establish up to five local contacts per month in university or research settings. Swissnex also provides you office space. Within this program you will collaborate with the academic team to create an online event or workshop related to your topic. This event should be of relevance to both ZHAW staff and the wider Swissnex community. *Duration: 1-2 months. Positions limited.*

Some locations may offer customized programs.

BEFORE YOU APPLY

Step 1: Decide which program you wish to apply for (you may only apply for one program each cycle).



Step 2: Discuss the possibility of a staff mobility program with your line manager and make sure you have initial approval for the travel.



Step 3: Prepare materials in English. You must have a CV and a ZHAW profile page in English (incl. bio info). All application materials must also be written in English.



Step 4: Conduct research on your location. In the application, you will be asked to name three institutes or individual faculty/staff that you may wish to connect with.



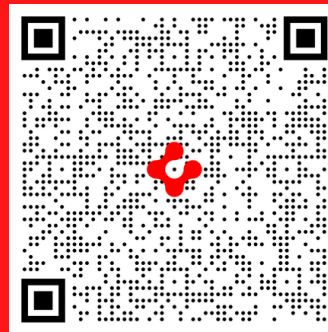
Step 5: Select dates: You should prepare possible date ranges for your application. Special occasions such as public holidays and semester breaks in the host location should be taken into consideration. Some locations may offer limited date ranges.



Step 6: Apply for the program!

APPLY HERE

Deadline: January 02, 2023



All applicants will be notified at the conclusion of the process (estimated February 2023).

AFTER YOU APPLY

Step 7: Swissnex will forward your application to your line manager for approval.



Step 8: Swissnex will also approve your application as relevant and reasonable for the selected location.



Step 9: If your application is approved by the line manager and Swissnex, the International Conveyor of your faculty will rank your application relative to others. Pending available budget, a final decision will be made.



Step 10: If your application is approved, the Swissnex office in the host location will contact you to discuss the arrangements for the visit.



Step 11: Travel to the location and have a productive staff mobility experience!

Bengaluru

Swissnex in India fosters activities that pursue inclusive prosperity, urgent progress, and a vibrant exchange between the two countries. Bengaluru, India's knowledge capital, features a thriving academic and entrepreneurial ecosystem with world-class leaders in Edtech, Healthtech, IT, sustainable development, and more. Swissnex also works across the Indian sub-continent with partners at the forefront of today and tomorrow's knowledge economy.

Boston and New York

Boston is home to several world-class research universities and a thriving biotechnology ecosystem. Anchored by Harvard and MIT, the Boston office features a wide network of scientists and innovators in Biotech, Medtech, Greentech, AI, and other cutting-edge fields.

In addition to its unparalleled media, business, and international ecosystems, New York features a thriving tech sector with the focus on Fintech and digital economy.

San Francisco

The entrepreneurial environment in the San Francisco area is characterized by innovation, collaboration, and risk-taking. Silicon Valley is a global center of technological innovation and is famous for its well-known startup ecosystem and high levels of interdisciplinarity. Swissnex in San Francisco sits at the forefront of where culture and design meet technology, leveraging its strategic positioning to enhance interdisciplinarity through the exchange of ideas and networks.



About Swissnex

Swissnex is a global network connecting Switzerland to the world in education, research, and innovation. In this capacity, Swissnex partners ZHAW to host university staff at its six locations. Choose among these locales for your next mobility project.



Rio de Janeiro/São Paulo

Brazil has the largest innovation ecosystem in Latin America. The six best universities in Brazil are located in the states of Rio de Janeiro and São Paulo, and the development of Technology Parks has strengthened the region's leadership in research, innovation and international cooperation.

Agtech and Fintech startups are booming in Brazil, with São Paulo classified as the fourth largest Fintech market in the world. Both cities are among the top 10 connected smart cities in Brazil, with São Paulo at the top of the ranking and Rio de Janeiro leading in Technology and Innovation. The city has invested in innovative solutions in areas such as pollution, mobility and natural disaster prevention, seeking to become smarter and more sustainable.

China (virtual option as of late 2022)

China's main economic hubs offer an amazing diversity of research and innovation. Shanghai has quickly risen to be a global leader in AI, Chips, and Biotech. Beijing is home to world-class innovation in AI, big data, and quantum computing. Further south in the Greater Bay Area, both Guangzhou and Shenzhen have achieved an excellent reputation as innovation powerhouses.

Osaka

Japan has several high-standard ecosystems in some of the world's densest cultural places. As a leading hotbed in Japan born out of a continuum of original, cutting-edge education, research, and innovation, the 200 universities in the Kansai region are ceaselessly striving to advance science and innovation across the spectrum of humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences. The Osaka-Kyoto-Kobe triangle has top tier universities, which engage in the highest-level, best-funded research in Japan.