

DIRECTIONS FOR APPLICATIONS

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR PHD CANDIDATES

Who can apply?

PhD candidates at universities and research centres in the Nordic countries (Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden) awarding doctoral degrees in social sciences and humanities, are eligible candidates, regardless of citizenship.

The PhD research should relate to current research at the Institute. The research at the Institute is organized into broad thematic clusters. The current clusters are *Conflict, Displacement and Transformation; Urban Dynamics; Agrarian Change, Property and Resources; and Globalization, Trade and Regional Integration*. The application should indicate what cluster(s) the PhD candidate intends to link up with during the time as a scholarship holder and in which ways the PhD research relates to the research cluster(s).

The aim of the PhD Scholarships

The aim of the scholarships is to offer PhD candidates links to the existing research at the Nordic Africa Institute and to provide access to resources at the institute, such as the NAI library with its large collection of literature on contemporary Africa (books, periodicals, newspapers, and government publications).

Financial support and other benefits

The scholarships cover travelling expenses for the least expensive fare from residential address in a Nordic country to Uppsala and return. The scholarship holders are provided with a desk and computer in a shared office and free accommodation in a shared student apartment. The scholarships also include a subsistence allowance of SEK 150 per day and free photocopying up to a maximum of 1,000 copies.

Please note: The PhD Scholarships do *not* include health care insurance or other insurances.

Application date

The PhD Scholarships are awarded once per year and the applications must be in by **1 October** (for the spring and autumn semester of coming year).

The application should contain 2 copies of

- **Application form**
- **Outline of the PhD project**
- **Curriculum Vitae**

N.B. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Duration of spring and autumn semester

The spring semester of the PhD Scholarship programme runs from 15 January to 14 July, and the autumn semester from 15 August to 14 December.

The PhD Scholarship “months”

The PhD scholarship “months” run from the 15th of one month to the 14 of the following month (e.g. 15 Jan. - 14 Feb., 15 Oct. - 14 Nov.). The scholarship holders are expected to arrive on the first working day (Monday - Friday) of their one or two month period.

A. Application Form

The application form should be submitted in 2 copies and written in English. The application form should include:

Personal data

Name, sex, year of birth, academic discipline, citizenship, residential address, and address of department at university or college (where the applicant is registered).

Project description

- Project title
- Short summary of project
- Indication of what NAI Research Cluster(s) the project is thematically linked to and in what way
- When the project commenced and when it is expected to be completed

Details about visit to the Institute

- Preferred length of visit (one or two consecutive months)
- Preferred one-month period, e.g. 15 Jan - 14 Feb, or, preferred two-month period, e.g. 15 Jan - 14 March.
- An estimate of travel expenses, the least expensive fare from the place of residence in a Nordic country to Uppsala and return
- Expectations of the visit at the Nordic Africa Institute

References

Applications must include name and address of supervisor at the university/college where the applicant is registered. At least two written references are required and should be sent separately to the Nordic Africa Institute by the supervisor and one or more referee(s). The references should be in by **15 October**.

Curriculum Vitae

Up-to-date curriculum vitae with a list of publications, if any, should be submitted in 2 copies.

B. Outline of the PhD project

In addition to the application form and curriculum vitae, an outline of the PhD project should be submitted in 2 copies. The outline should be written in English. Applications are primarily evaluated on the basis of the outline of the PhD project.

The application should clarify which part of the PhD project that will be worked upon during the stay at the Nordic Africa Institute and in what way the PhD research links to one or more clusters at the Nordic Africa Institute.

Applications should be submitted by post to:

The Nordic Africa Institute, Att: Inga-Britt Isaksson Faris, P. O. Box 1703, SE-751 47 Uppsala, Sweden