



Professor Dr Max Cloëtta Foundation

Clinical Medicine Plus

Guidelines

Article 1 **Principle**

The Professor Dr Max Cloëtta Foundation grants scholarships to younger doctors during or immediately after completing their specialist training for the purpose of special training at a renowned institution (hereinafter referred to as "Clinical Medicine Plus").

Article 2 **Length & Start date**

The Clinical Medicine Plus scholarships are awarded for a period of three to a maximum of twelve months. Multi-year programmes are not supported. Retroactive support is excluded.

The earliest possible start date of the training is 1st of December of the year of the call and the latest possible start date is 1st of December of the year following the call.

Article 3 **Purpose**

The main purpose of the Clinical Medicine Plus scholarships is to finance a training stay at first-class, primarily foreign host institutes and in innovative fields or clinical ancillary sciences to foster the research careers of young doctors. The focus is on learning hands-on new methods or deepening knowledge in special techniques (e.g., specialised clinical techniques, molecular-biochemical methods, computational science), or gaining special skills in fields which are given little space in medical studies (e. g. public health, psychosomatic and psychosocial medicine, ethics, IT, epidemiology, pharmacogenetics, forensic medicine, health communication). Master's degrees or pure research projects are not the aim of the programme.

Article 4 **Personal requirements**

Clinically active physicians can submit an application for a Clinical Medicine Plus scholarship,

- a) during or immediately after completing their specialist training;
- b) if they possess a Swiss citizenship or Swiss permanent residence or residence permit;
- c) if they want to train and improve their skills in a new and innovative field;
- d) if they are supported by a mentor at the home institution in Switzerland regarding training and career planning;
- e) if their mentor confirms that they intend to accompany the scholarship holder during the scholarship period;
- f) if their Swiss home institution ensures re-entry.

Article 5 **Application sub- mission**

Applications for a Clinical Medicine Plus scholarship must be submitted to the Foundation on the official form together with all information and documents designated as mandatory and in due time. Guidelines, forms and dates are published on the Foundation's website.

Article 6 **Selection**

The selection is carried out by the Foundation, if necessary, with the help of external experts.

The following selection criteria apply:

- a) The quality and innovative approach of the training pursued;
- b) Previous achievements of the applicant;
- c) Suitability of the applicant for a scientific and/or clinical career;
- d) Quality of the proposed host institution;
- e) Quality of the supporting institution of origin in Switzerland.

Rejections need not be justified by the Foundation.

Article 7 **Support Contri- bution**

The amount of the Clinical Medicine Plus scholarships is determined by the Foundation as a contribution to travel expenses and cost of living during the stay at the host institute. The payment will be made at the earliest three months before the beginning of the stay, if the confirmation of the guest institution has been submitted. The Foundation reserves the right to withdraw the grant if it turns out that a project is not carried out as approved and/or the stay abroad is discontinued. In both cases, the Foundation reserves the right to reclaim scholarships already paid out.

Article 8 **Insurance**

All insurances are the responsibility of the scholarship holders.

Article 9 **Reporting**

The scholarship holders are obliged to submit any significant changes to the submitted project that occur before or during the support period for approval by the Foundation's Scientific Committee.

Scholarship holders must submit a detailed report on their completed training and research work no later than 3 months after completion of their stay at the host institute. The support of the Professor Dr Max Cloëtta Foundation is to be mentioned in the report and in the curriculum vitae of the scholarship holders.

Article 10 **Publications**

The support of the Professor Dr Max Cloëtta Foundation has to be mentioned in publications produced during the scholarship period.