

Apply now – 5th Call for the EUniWell Abroad Fellowship!

Do you have a creative, challenging, unprecedented project idea which aligns with EUniWell's [vision](#) and contributes to Well-Being in our society and environment in a sustainable way? Are you planning a research stay or specific laboratory work for your thesis or research project, which is in line with Well-Being and the Sustainable Development Goals? Or do you want to take part in one of EUniWell's research or study programmes at one of our partner universities?

Then apply now for the **EUniWell Abroad Fellowship!** We will support Fellows with their project ideas. Funding will be provided by EUniWell at the Vice-Rectorate for Teaching and Studies.

What do we support?

Short-term stays in 2025 (one up to max. three weeks) at one of the following **partner universities** of the European University for Well-Being (EUniWell)

- University of Florence (Italy)
- Inalco University (Paris, France)
- University of Konstanz (Germany)
- Linnaeus University (Kalmar/Växjö, Sweden)
- University of Murcia (Spain)
- Nantes Université (France)
- University of Santiago de Compostela (Spain)

The earliest starting day depends on the selection process but will probably be around end of April/beginning of May 2025. The stay must be completed by the end of 2025.

Possible exchange formats for your stay:

- Conducting interviews or surveys
- Library or archive research
- Laboratory work / practical works
- Preparation and work for theses
- Participation in specialised courses, workshops or seminars
- Summer or winter schools
- Participation in competitions
- Tasks in the context of Open Science
- Data Literacy
- Stays for acquisition of additional methodological skills

Your project should be in line with EUniWell's **vision** and the **Sustainable Development Goals** and should cover a **well-being related topic**:

- Health & Well-Being
- Social Equality & Well-Being
- Environmental Change & Well-Being
- Culture, Multilingualism & Well-Being
- Teacher Education & Well-Being

Well-Being and sustainability play a crucial role in your project as well as in your stay and your travels. In case you are – for instance – not able to travel by sustainable means of transport, what else could you do? Which other ideas do you have to contribute to the well-being of our environment or society? Convince us with creative and unusual ideas that will then become best practice in EUniWell.

Who can apply for funding?

- Students enrolled in a degree programme at the University of Cologne (Bachelor, Master, State Examination)
- Doctoral students at the University of Cologne
- PostDocs at the University of Cologne
- Applicants must either have German citizenship or be treated as Germans in accordance with § 8, Section 1, No. 2 et seq. and sections 2, 2a and 3 BAföG. Applications from foreign students are possible if they are enrolled in a study programme at the University of Cologne with the aim of obtaining a degree from the University of Cologne

The evaluation of applications takes place in particular on the basis of the following criteria:

- Justification of your project (project description)
- Integration into EUniWell's vision
- Relevance for research, teaching and transfer
- Well-Being or SDG factors of your project and your travels
- Integration of your project into your study or career plan
- For students: Convincing academic performance and/or well-being commitment

For which period of time and to what extent can you apply for funding?

Travel and accommodation costs are funded for **one week** and in exceptional cases for up to **three weeks** in accordance with Landesreisekostengesetz NRW (Law of Travel Expenses North Rhine-Westphalia).

The Fellowship is a partial grant. Generally, the costs you actually incur will be reimbursed up to a certain amount:

- The reimbursement of **travel costs** (outward and return journey) is limited to a maximum of €600.
- The exact amount of funding of **subsistence/accommodation costs** depends on the number of selected applications and the respective countries of the stay (c.f. Landesreisekostengesetz NRW).

How to apply?

Applications can be sent via an online form. [Please follow this link](#), fill in the form and upload the following documents (in German or English):

- Current CV
- Motivation letter (one page)
 - Description of your project and the aim of the exchange
 - What contribution is made to well-being and the Sustainable Development Goals?
 - What added value does the stay offer for your study or your career path?
- For students: Transcript of Records
- List of costs to be reimbursed (cost projection)
- If already existent: Confirmation letter, e.g. of supervisors at the partner university or at University of Cologne or a confirmation of participation in a specific course, competition etc. (could also be handed in later)

Application Deadline: 9 March 2025

Further important information

- The stay has to be organised independently and (for students) in consultation with a responsible teacher (especially for stays for final theses, laboratory stays, etc.). EUniWell may help to arrange contacts at the partner universities.
- The fellowship is paid on the basis of existing evidence. Thus, Fellows have to pay for the stay in advance. Please keep all receipts carefully. After your stay and after handing in the statement of travel expenses, you will receive the refund.
- You can apply for an advance payment. You will then receive a payment of 80% of the calculated costs.
- Further information on the administrative process will be given in case of your acceptance.
- If you are accepted for the fellowship, a contractual agreement will be concluded.
- You can receive further information from Mrs Anne-Katrin Heinen (a-k.heinen(at)uni-koeln.de).