

Junior research grants/Outline 2016

Forte has a yearly call for research projects with submission of project outlines in early February and full applications in May. Deadline for project outline submissions in 2016 is the 2nd of February at 17:00 CET.

Applications to Forte for research project grants are made in a two-step process. In the first step, the applicant submits a project outline. Applicants with approved outlines are subsequently invited to submit a full application. The grant should be administered by a Swedish university or equivalent.

For Fortes junior research grants the following conditions apply:

- Junior research grants are granted for four years.
- The junior research grant is intended to cover at least 40% of the applicant's salary.
- A copy of the certificate of your completed doctoral examination and an attested certificate of the PhD defence if not evident in the doctoral examination paper.

The difference between research projects and junior research grants

Research projects are funded for a maximum of 3 years. Junior research grants are granted for four years. Two research project outlines are permitted per project leader. Applicants who also apply for junior project grants can in the capacity of project leader only submit one research project outline. The outlines for the research project and the junior research grant cannot concern the same project. Only one junior research outline is allowed per applicant. If you apply for a junior research grant but do not obtain this, your application will be considered for a 3 year research project instead, without you having to take any further action.

The difference between project outline and full application

The emphasis of the project outline should be on the research question and what it adds to existing knowledge in the research area. Study design, material and methods needs to be clearly described to the extent that the feasibility of the project can be assessed.

The full application should contain a more detailed description of the project's design, work plan, material and methods, as well as theoretical aspects and a review of the literature with relevance for the project.

The relevance of the project for Swedish society and in relation to Forte's areas of responsibility should be described in both the outline and the full application, but with less detail in the outline. In the full application you should also describe knowledge dissemination activities and collaboration activities.

Major divergences between the outline and the full application with regard to design and budget are not permitted.

Conditions

All applications are submitted in Prisma, the application and evaluation system of Forte, Formas and the Swedish Research Council.

Conditions to be able to submit your application:

- You have to open a personal account in Prisma
- All participating researchers in an application must open a personal account in Prisma
- All CV and publication details for applicants and participating researchers are stored on the respective researcher's personal account
- Your university or higher educational institution must have an organisational account in Prisma

Please ensure that the above conditions are in place in good time before the application deadline.

New information regarding the CV function in Prisma

As part of the development of Prisma a reference group consisting primarily of researchers have looked more closely at some of the functions in the application system. We have also listened to the comments to the support. As a result we have developed a new CV module, which we hope will be more user-friendly than the previous one. If you already have a Prisma account, this update may have affected the data you already entered. Therefore please check that your information is correct.

Limitations on publications

Applications for research projects and junior research grants are limited to ten publications per applicant and co-applicants. They are added to the page Publications in the application form. In addition a selection of a maximum of ten references from the project group's production, relevant for the application, can be added to the field "References for the project..." in the application form as well as the bibliography for the project description.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants must have defended their doctoral thesis by the time they submit a full application.

Applicants must have submitted the final report of all previously awarded grants no later than the 2nd of February 2016 to qualify. Applicants who have outstanding final reports will not be taken into consideration. This applies only to earlier grants when the deadline for the final report has passed. Consideration is given to extensions of disposal time and postponed deadlines for final reporting.

Processing

The outlines are assessed by Forte's review panels, to which researchers and representatives of the public interest have been appointed. Assessments are based on:

- The project's originality, design and relation to the research front
- The project's feasibility (material, method and competence)
- The project's relevance for society's requirements and its relation to Fortes areas of responsibility
- The project's gender- and diversity perspective

You will be asked to select a review panel and research area in the application process. Forte reserves the right to change review panels and research area for your application if required.

Open access

Forte provides 30 000 SEK in extra funding for granted research projects for open access publishing. The link [Open access](#) gives you information about open access.

Transfer of project information to SweCRIS

Information regarding research projects supported by Forte is transferred to the Swedish Research Council for publication in SweCRIS, a national database commissioned by the Swedish government containing information on grant-funded research. [Go to the SweCRIS website](#)

Time plan

The deadline for submitting a project outline is the **2nd of February 2016 at 17.00**. Forte will decide which outlines have been approved for step 2 in the first half of April 2016. The information will be available in Prisma. The selected applicants will be invited to submit full project applications. The deadline for submitting a full research application is May the 19th 2016. Decisions on which applications to approve will be taken by the Forte board by the end of September 2016.