

# Annual open call for proposals 2019

## Information about the call

### Step 2

The application process for project grants and junior research grant is divided into two steps. If your outline was accepted in step 1, you are now welcome to send in a full application.

*The deadline for applications is May 15, 2019 at 2 PM (CEST).*

## Focus

The annual open call is open to applications within Forte's overall areas of responsibility: health, working life and welfare. The purpose of the call is to allow for analysis of advanced knowledge and to contribute to such knowledge in designated research areas or issues. The research that receives funding shall be of high academic quality and have good potential to benefit society in the short or long term. For more detailed descriptions of the research areas that we support, see our page [Review panels in the annual open call](#).

## Eligibility

This call is only open for researchers whose outline was accepted in stage 1 of the annual open call for proposals.

## Grant types

Step 2 of the annual open call only concerns project grants and junior research grants. If you have submitted an application for postdoc grant and have been selected for step 2, you do not need to send in another application.

**!** *Note that the maximum amounts below include indirect costs.*

## Project grant

Project grants are grants for individual research projects. The grants are approved for two or three years.

- **Grant amount:** Maximum SEK 5 million for three-year projects and SEK 3 million for two-year projects.
- **Eligibility:** To apply for a project grant you must have obtained a doctoral degree no later than the date when the outline call closed (5 February 2019).

## Junior research grant

Junior research grants can be applied for up to six years after completing your doctoral degree. The grant is essentially the same as a three-year project grant plus a fixed amount of SEK 1 million for a fourth year. The grant shall cover at least 40 percent of the junior researcher's salary.

- **Grant amount:** Maximum of SEK 5 million for the first three years. The fourth year has a fixed amount of SEK 1 million. In total, you may apply for a maximum of SEK 6 million.
- **Eligibility:** To apply for a junior research grant, you must have obtained a doctoral degree between 5 February 2013 and 5 February 2019. If you completed your doctoral degree before 5 February 2013, you can deduct time for parental leave, military service or similar. Proof of deductible time should have been sent in during step 1.

## The application process

All applications are to be submitted via [the Prisma application and review system](#). The information that you have entered into the outline in Prisma has been transferred into the full application form. If someone has been added as participating researcher since the outline, they must open a personal account in Prisma.

For more information on how to fill in the applications form, see instructions for each respective grant form on the call's website.

### Difference between project outline and full application

In the outlines, emphasis should be on the research questions, and the knowledge that already exists in the field. The study design, methods for data collection and analysis should be described clearly to allow for an assessment of the feasibility of the project.

The project's relevance as well as gender and diversity perspectives are described both in the outline and full application but should be kept brief in the outline. In the full application, you should also describe the project's utilisation, dissemination and cooperative activities, as well as interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary approaches.

The full application should also include a more detailed description of the study design, its methods for data collection and analysis. The project's work plan and theoretical foundation shall also be described, along with a relevant literature review.

There may be no major deviations between outline and full application with regards to the design of the study and the amount applied for.

## The review process

The applications are assessed by Forte's review panels, which are composed of Nordic researchers and Swedish community representatives. Funding decisions are made by Forte's board.

In the outline you were asked to select a review panel. Forte did, however, reserve the right to change review panel for your application if needed. The full application will be assessed by the same panel as the outline.

## **Forte's assessment criteria for full applications**

### **Scientific quality:**

- Purpose, research questions, theoretical framework, background and originality
- Study design, methods for data collection and analysis
- Interdisciplinary and/or multidisciplinary approach
- Gender and diversity perspectives in the content of the research

### **Relevance:**

- Relevance in relation to society's needs and Forte's areas of responsibility
- Engagement with users of research results during the research process
- Utilisation and communication of research results

### **Feasibility:**

- Work plan quality
- Project leader's and research group's research competence
- Account of any previous own research in the area
- Staffing and budget, assessed on reasonability

## **Guidelines on how Forte handles applications where part of the research is to be carried out abroad**

- Forte is positive towards international research collaborations. Forte's area of responsibility covers complex societal challenges in which international research collaborations can provide important contributions.
- Forte's grants can be used to finance research where certain parts are carried out in other countries. However, the research shall be initiated and led from Sweden or be a clear part of the collaborative research.
- Applications involving international collaborations are assessed against the same criteria as other research applications and by our review panels.
- In assessing research applications, the reviewers in Forte's review panels shall assess if any foreign section of a project brings added value to a project or is a prerequisite for a project with, for example, a global or comparative approach.
- It is the principal applicant's responsibility to: find out how his or her administrating organisation stands on financing research where certain parts are carried out in other countries; and, find suitable collaboration procedures in each specific case.
- It is the grant's administrating organisation, i.e. principal applicant's home institution in Sweden, that determines and is responsible for, if necessary, appointing foreign personnel or paying for activities or services carried out in other countries.

## Open access

Results from research funded by Forte shall be published with open access. Forte gives all approved project grants and junior research grants in the annual open call a standard grant of SEK 30,000 for open access publishing. [Read more about Open Access.](#)

## SweCRIS

Forte transfers information of issued grants to SweCRIS, a national database on grant-funded research set up at the request of the government. [Read more about SweCRIS.](#)

## Time plan

Step 2 of the call closes	<b>15 May 2019, 2 PM (CEST)</b>
Decisions about funding published	<b>October 2019</b>