

Visiting researcher grants USA 2026

Instructions for the Prisma application form Visiting Researcher Grant

General information

Prisma

All applications must be submitted through the [Prisma application and review system](#). For most of the required steps, user manuals are available. We urge you to consult these when writing your application.

- [Prisma user manual](#)
- [FAQ Prisma](#)
- [Prisma support](#)

Before you apply

Before writing your application, make sure the following conditions are met:

- The main applicant and any participating researchers included in the application have created a personal account in the [Prisma application system](#)
- The main applicant and any participating researchers have stored their CV and details of their publications in their respective personal accounts
- The administrating organisation for the grant has an organisational account in Prisma and has been approved as an administrating organisation at Forte. [Forte's criteria for administrating organisations](#)
- You meet the requirements and conditions for applying as described on the [web page for the call](#)

Language

The application may be written in Swedish or English.

Character limits

Please observe that spaces are included in all character limits. If you intend to copy text into the application form, we recommend making sure that the number of characters, according to the word processing programme, matches the number of characters in the form in Prisma. Underlying formatting may be included which causes the number of characters to differ. In such a case, you must either try to clear all formatting by copying paragraphs into Notepad or similar, or type directly in Prisma.

Overview

On this page of the application form you can see which parts of the application that are still lacking mandatory information. It also shows whether character limits or other types of limits have been exceeded.

The application form includes both mandatory and non-mandatory information. The application cannot be submitted if mandatory information is missing. Ensure that the non-mandatory information you wish to include is also included in the application upon registration. Read the call text and instructions carefully before registering the application.

Basic information

Project title and abstract

Project title in Swedish (max. 200 characters)

Project title in English (max. 200 characters)

The title should be formulated so that the project's purpose is evident and so that non-specialists may also form an impression of the content of the project. The project title is often used on its own and should be formulated with care.

Abstract in Swedish (max. 2,000 characters)

Abstract in English (max. 2,000 characters)

The abstract should provide an informative description of the project as a whole. It should be able to stand on its own, which is why you should make no references to other parts of the application. It is also important that non-specialists can understand the abstract. If your application is granted, the abstracts in Swedish and English will be published in open project databases without a confidentiality assessment.

Project time

Enter the time frame for your project.

Subject classification

Keywords

Provide 1-5 keywords for your project.

Collaboration countries (optional)

State countries where any collaborative partners operate.

[Forte's principles on international collaboration](#)

Forte's main areas and sub-areas

Choose a suitable main subject area and a sub-area for your application. Forte reserves the right to reclassify your application.

Alternative sub-area

You have the option of choosing an alternative sub-area for your application. This sub-area may belong to another main subject area. Forte reserves the right to reclassify your application.

Forte's areas of coordination

Forte is the national coordinator for research in five research areas. Choose one of the areas if they apply to your application. If none is applicable to your project, choose the option "no coordination area". Forte reserves the right to reclassify your application.

SCB codes

In order to facilitate future analysis of research funded by all Swedish research funding agencies, all applications are classified according to Statistics Sweden's standard for Swedish classification of research topics. Select research topic at three levels.

Sustainable development goals

Classify your application according to the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals. You may choose a maximum of three goals. [The United Nations' sustainable development goals](#)

Visiting researcher's stay**Visiting researcher's stay***Description of the visiting researcher's stay (max. 10,000 characters)*

Outline the reasons for inviting the visiting researcher. Include the visiting researcher's name, title and current workplace and briefly describe the specialist expertise the visiting researcher contributes to the host institution. Describe her or his scientific qualifications and how this knowledge and experience will be utilized in the department's research and within the research field. Present a preliminary programme for the visiting researcher's stay - what the visiting researcher will do in terms of research, lectures, presenting at seminars, etc., both at the host institution and any other institutions visited. Also briefly address other aspects of relevance for the assessment in accordance with the assessment criteria and requirements of the call.

CV and publication list*The visiting researcher's CV (max 2 pages)*

Upload the visiting researcher's CV in PDF-format.

The visiting researcher's publications (max 2 pages)

Upload a list of the visiting researcher's publications in PDF-format. Limit the list to publications which are relevant to the stay and to those published during the last five years.

International collaboration (optional)

Collaboration countries

State countries where any collaborative partners operate.

[Forte's guidelines for international research](#)

Budget

Give an account of how you plan to use the funds that you are applying for. Total budget must not exceed SEK 2,000,000 (including indirect costs). Costs that fall outside of the project's time frame are not eligible and should not be included in the application.

Costs

Running costs and salary

Specify what is applied for in terms of operational costs and salary. It is important that costs are specified and estimated with as much detail as possible and that they are explained and justified in the text field "Explanation and justification of total budget". Create and name items in the table so that it is clear what the grant will be used for.

It is not permitted to include publication costs for open access publication of research articles in the application. [Forte's guidelines for publication with open access](#)

Premises costs and the cost of equipment specific to the project, additional to what is included in the indirect costs (OH), must be separately explained and justified in the text field "Explanation and justification of total budget". If the equipment is also to be used outside of the project, only costs related to the use during the project should be included. If the equipment is regarded as capital expenditure, you may only apply for depreciation costs. You must not include the cost of purchasing personal computers or other normal office equipment in the application as these are expected to be covered by the indirect costs.

Government organisations report their costs exclusive of VAT. For non-governmental organisations, Forte only reimburses VAT when it constitutes a real cost for the project. The same applies to foreign organisations.

Total budget

Everything entered in the tables "Salaries including social fees" and "Running costs" is automatically summarised in the table "Total budget".

In this table, indirect costs (OH) are entered separately. Report indirect costs as a separate item specifying amount per year. Each project participant calculates indirect costs based on the model that the respective organisation uses. These costs are added up and entered into the table.

Explanation and justification of total budget (max. 3,000 characters)

Write a short explanation and justification of the costs you are applying for.

Administrating organisation

In order for you to apply, your Swedish higher education institution (HEI) or research organisation must have been approved by Forte as an administrating organisation and created an organisational account in Prisma. Approved administrating organisations are listed as choices in Prisma. From there, you can select your HEI as administrating organisation and the relevant unit as the project site for your application. When the call for proposals closes, your application will automatically be sent to your administrating organisation who must then sign the application in Prisma within 7 days. If your HEI/research organisation is missing as a choice in Prisma, it means that they have not been approved as an administrating organisation and must apply to become one. [Forte's criteria for administrating organisations](#)

Participants

Participating researchers

Do not enter participating researcher. The visiting researcher should not be a participating researcher and therefore does not need to get an account in Prisma.

However, a participating administrator can be invited to help with the completion of the application. The administrator is not part of the project but has access to the draft application. A participating administrator cannot register the final version of an application and does not have access to the application once the final version has been registered in Prisma.

CV

All CV and publication details for applicants and participating researchers are stored on the respective researcher's personal account. Under this heading, all applicants import their CV-data from their personal account. The following limits apply (maximum number):

Educational history

- 1 doctoral degree (mandatory)
- 2 research educations
- 2 basic educations

Professional history

- 3 employments
- 3 post-doctoral assignments
- 3 research exchange assignments
- 3 interruptions in research

Merits and awards

- 3 associate professorships
- 10 supervised persons

- 5 research grants awarded in competition
- 3 awards and distinctions
- 3 other merits

Intellectual property

- 3 intellectual properties

Register

Register your application here. The application cannot be submitted unless all compulsory fields have been completed and no limits exceeded.

Contact information

If you have any questions about the call for proposals or how to fill in the application form, please contact:

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