



Call for applications: Senior Fellows Forum Basiliense

The newly founded Forum Forum Basiliense aims to foster interdisciplinary exchange and collaboration between scholars of the humanities and social sciences, life sciences and the natural sciences to revive a public science in the spirit of the Enlightenment and humanism. The question of “freedom” is at the centre of the initial phase of our forum and the intellectual focus for our first group of international fellows and guests.

Freedom is one of the central concepts of the Enlightenment, one of the core elements of modern societies. The individual in Western societies is freer than ever before, but we witness increasing disagreement about what we mean when we talk about freedom. In times of great changes and challenges - such as advances in artificial intelligence, new work and family models, or climate change - what does freedom mean, and what role does science play in it? We encourage application with a focus on this theme in any of the disciplines represented at the University of Basel.

We invite professors of the University of Basel to apply for senior fellowships of the Forum Basiliense. In this role a senior fellow is eligible to invite a personal guest/collaborator to the Forum Basiliense.

We offer two options:

- Invite a senior guest for a 1-2 month(s) stay or
- Invite a junior fellow for 3-6 months according to the Junior Fellowship conditions (see call for Junior Fellows)

Guests

This is an opportunity to invite a scholar in your field for 1-2 month. During the time of the visit, the Forum Basiliense will facilitate the organization of events und scientific exchange. The Forum Basiliense will cover travel costs and accommodation for the guest as well as costs for the event.

Junior Fellows

Junior fellows be part of a lively and active research environment in Basel for 3-6 months. The Forum Basiliense organizes events for scientific exchange to work collaboratively, expand personal research networks and provides the opportunity for fellows to advance their own research projects and publications. Senior Fellows may apply to invite one Junior Fellow. Travel costs and a monthly grant of CHF 5000.- are covered by the Forum Basiliense.

The Forum offers a great environment of international and interdisciplinary exchange. Part of this is a regular colloquium to which we cordially invite all fellows and guests.

Please send your application incl. the following documents

- Project proposal (max. 2 page) describing what you plan to accomplish with your guest during your fellowship
- CV of your guest

Please send your full application documents to forum-basiliense@unibas.ch

Application deadline: 31 July 2023

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