



SWISS GOVERNMENT EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS 2018-2019 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Letter/Email from the Swiss professor of willingness to supervise the research

- Q: Can I submit my application without the letter/email from the Swiss professor willing to supervise the research?
- A: The subject letter/email is mandatory and without it the application will be rejected.
- Q: I am unable to contact the Swiss professor. Help me to get the letter from the Swiss professor.
- A: The applicant will have to manage obtaining the letter/email of willingness from the Swiss professor himself/herself. The Embassy cannot provide any help in this regard.
- Q: Which Swiss professor can give me the letter/email of willingness to supervise?
- A: A professor of the institution/university enlisted for the Swiss Government Excellence Scholarship Program can give the letter/email in question.

Eligibility

- Q: I have done 04 years bachelors. Am I eligible to apply?
- A: Eligibility will be determined by the university the applicant is applying admission into.
- Q: My degree has yet to be completed. Am I eligible to apply?
- A: One can apply provided that final degree is submitted before the 31 August 2018.
- Q: Is TOEFL/IELTS/GRE is required to apply for the scholarships?
- A: These tests are not required to apply for the subject scholarships. But if any university requires these tests for admission, one will have to meet their prescribed conditions.

Medical Certificate

Q: Which medical doctor should sign the certificate?

A: Any government doctor is fine.

How to send the filled up application

Q: How can I submit the application?

A: One should send the printed filled up application to the following address of the Swiss Embassy using any postal/courier service:

Embassy of Switzerland
Diplomatic Enclave
Street 06, G-5/4
Islamabad

Applications submitted by hand will not be accepted.

Q: Currently I am outside Pakistan. Should I submit the application to the Swiss Embassy in that country? How can I submit the application?

A: One should send the application to the Swiss Embassy in Pakistan using any postal/courier service.

Relaxation in Conditions

Q: I am not able to submit the application within the prescribed time. Can the deadline be extended?

A: The application submission deadline cannot be extended. Any application received at the Embassy after 30 September 2017 will not be accepted.

Q: Can any condition to apply be relaxed?

A: The conditions are pre-set and cannot be relaxed.

Interviews

Q: When will I be called at the Embassy for interview?

A: The Embassy will not hold any interviews regarding the scholarships.

Letters of Reference

Q: How many letters of reference should I get from my previous professors?

A: Letters of reference are required from previous two (02) professors. Despite one has to submit three (03) sets of application, one should get only one (01) letter from each professor in a sealed envelope. In this case there will be two (02) sealed envelopes.

Q: Can my professor send reference letter directly to the Embassy?

A: The applicant must get the reference letter from the professor and submit it to the Embassy along with the application. The Embassy cannot manage receiving reference letters directly from the professors.

How to Make an Application Set

The order of documents in an application set should be as:

1. Application Form
2. Curriculum Vitae
3. Motivational Letter
4. Research Proposal
5. Confirmation of willingness from the Swiss professor
6. CV of the professor
7. Copies of Educational Certificates
8. 02 sealed envelopes of reference letter (only one set required)
9. Medical Certificate
10. 02 Copies of Valid Passport

Kindly remember one has to submit three (03) sets of application in the above order.

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