



Swiss Government Excellence Scholarships for PhD and Research Programmes in Switzerland

Academic Year 2027–2028

The Government of Switzerland, through the Federal Commission for Scholarships for Foreign Students (FCS), is pleased to announce the opening of the application cycle for Swiss Government Excellence Scholarships for the **2027–2028** academic year.

These prestigious scholarships are available to international scholars and researchers who wish to pursue:

- **Doctoral (PhD) studies**
- **Research Fellowship**

at Swiss higher education institutions.

Please note that Bachelor's, Master's and Arts programmes (including music and fine arts) are not eligible for this scholarship scheme.

How does one apply for a Swiss Government Excellence Scholarship?

Applications must be submitted exclusively online via the GO ESKAS (Grants Online ESKAS):
https://www.sbf.admin.ch/scholarships_eng

Paper submissions are no longer accepted!

Timeline

- **Applications open on:** 20 August 2026
- **Application deadline:** 20 November 2026

If you have any questions that are not addressed on the SERI website, please email:
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