



THE EURASIA-PACIFIC-ERNST MACH SCHOLARSHIPS

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The Eurasia-Pacific-Ernst Mach Scholarships offers grants up to 9 months to promote research. The scholarship targets postgraduate students and PhD holders (post docs). Eligible applicants are postgraduates pursuing a doctoral/PhD program at one of EPU's member institutions in China or Mongolia, and post docs pursuing academic work at one of EPU's member institutions in China or Mongolia. Doctoral student applicants have to prove that they pursue doctoral/PhD studies. Post doc applicants have to prove that they are employed by the partner institution. The grants should serve the promotion of young academic talents, therefore, post docs should not have graduated longer than five years ago. All applicants must not have studied/pursued research or academic work in Austria in the last six months before taking up the grant. The scholarship covers disciplines including Natural Sciences, Technical Sciences, Human Medicine, Health Sciences, agricultural Sciences, Social Sciences, Humanities and Arts. NB: The grants will only be awarded for projects that can be completed within the approved period (max. 9 months).

Grant benefits paid

- 1) Monthly grant rate of 940 EUR (for postgraduates) and 1,040 EUR (for post docs).
- 2) Accident and health insurance, accommodation (at a monthly rate).
- 3) Recipients of grants are exempted from paying tuition fees.
- 4) Recipients of grants will receive an additional travel

“Congratulations to our CIBSC committee member Ms. Anqi Wong (Student of Professor Stanley Yeung and Professor Edwin Chan) for her success in applying for the scholarship!”

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The document for application should be submitted before the deadline, including a) detailed description of research project; b) two letters of recommendation made by PolyU academic staff members; c) statement of acceptance signed by an academic supervisor in Austria; d) official academic transcript and certificate of the Master's degree; and e) internal proforma reply. **The applicant has to find a supervisor in Austrian institutions.** After submitting the required documents to RO and application online (<https://www.scholarships.at/default.aspx>). The selected applicants will be interviewed.

Austria provides many other kinds of scholarships for research exchange. Here is a link for your information.

Here below, Ms. Anqi Wong (Student of Professor Yeung and Professor Edwin Chan) is going to share her experience in the process of applying this scholarship:

“Based on my personal experience, the procedure is pretty straight forward. **To me, the most difficult part is to find a supervisor in Austria and get acceptance letter issued.** I just emailed my request to the professors and associate professors in the University of Vienna, and Technology University of Vienna. Luckily, one of them accepted my request. After submitting the required documents to RO via online application <https://www.scholarships.at/default.aspx>. The selected applicants will be interviewed. The interviewer came from Austria, he/she will ask some questions about your research. A couple of months after interview, I got the email about the successful application of 6-month Ernst Mach-Grant in the frame of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, supported by The Austrian Agency for International Cooperation in Education & Research (OeAD-GmbH), Centre for International Cooperation and Mobility (ICM). The monthly scholarship instalment is EUR 940.

Austria also provides many kinds of scholarships for research exchange. Here is a link I would like to share with you <http://www.grants.at/home/EN/>.

Here I would like to take this opportunity to thank you Ms. Tianya HOU, another committee member of CIBSC, who is also a successful scholarship recipient and just come back Vienna not long ago. She helped me a lot during my application. Hope my sharing is helpful to you.”

Sincerely yours,

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**Remark: This scholarship is not offered by CIBSC*