

Information for Applicants

2 Funding Line: TEAMS

Freie Universität Berlin provides grants through the TEAMS funding line to promote networking among researchers at the university. This scheme is designed to create opportunities for researchers to test out new concepts as part of a research team, undertake unconventional studies, and conduct innovative, higher risk projects. While the potential success of the project is important, creativity and risk-taking are the main priorities. At the same time, the researchers are generally expected to strive toward obtaining third-party funding at a later stage. The TEAMS funding line is part of the integrated research funding framework and is thus geared toward meeting the needs of proposals with two to four principal investigators (PIs). The funding scheme is addressed towards both early-career and established researchers equally and encourage them to collaborate. A brief final report must be presented after the project has been completed and before a new application is submitted. Likewise, if the project receives third-party funding, relevant information has to be provided by the beneficiary.

Scope of Funding

Up to 30,000 euros, one-time payment.

Use of Funds

The following modules can be applied for (see also: supplementary information sheets on the individual modules):

- B – Basis (material resources, contracts for work and services, project-related travel expenses)
- P – Personnel (extending/supplementing existing employment contracts to increase paid employment hours)

Eligibility

Any employee with a doctorate involved in research at Freie Universität is eligible to apply. Every application must be jointly submitted by at least two and at most four applicants. Applications submitted by individual applicants and external parties will not be considered. All applicants must have an ongoing employment relationship with Freie Universität Berlin when they submit the application. The remaining term of the employment contract must be at least twelve months.

Application Process

Applications can be submitted **electronically** to the Office of the Research Committee (foerderung@forschung.fu-berlin.de). The application deadlines are stated on the homepage. Applications must be submitted in the correct format, together with the applicant's CV and list of publications. The Research Committee of Freie Universität Berlin will deliberate over the applications during its regular meetings. Applicants may submit only one application per meeting of the Research Committee. Any additional applications that are submitted will not be considered.

Cofinancing from Departments/Co-payments

Cofinancing is not required.