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Call for Expressions of Interest

The nccr – on the move has created a doctoral program for migration and mobility scholars that has been active for over six years. During this time, some fifty early career scholars, international and national, as well as from a wide variety of backgrounds and disciplines, have defended their theses after having received doctoral training in the frame of our program.

Our Mission

Our doctoral program provides migration and mobility scholars with the education and support that will allow them both to pursue a research career and/or undertake professional projects outside academia. Scholarship, science, policymakers, socio-economical and pedagogical actors, all benefit equally from our scholars' expertise and skills.

Our Commitment

- We provide a uniquely rich environment that attracts national and international postgraduate researchers.
- We promote true interdisciplinary dialogue, research and networking.
- We offer a streamlined range of services and support to doctoral students so that they can concentrate on research.
- We offer our early career researchers an opportunity to improve their communication skills to reach not only an expert but also a non-expert audience.
- We contribute to the creation of a research community and we promote a discipline in the making.
- Above all, we provide the necessary conditions so that migration and mobility questions can remain high up in the research agenda of future generations of researchers.
- We promote female careers through a range of measures and provide a platform for role models.

Structure of the Doctoral Program in Pillars

	Pillar I	Pillar II	Pillar III	Pillar IV
Acquired expertise/ skills trained	Theoretical and empirical knowledge	Inter-disciplinary integration	Transversal skills	Methodological and discipline proper skills
What it comprehends	Compulsory and optional doctoral courses	Research colloquia/ Graduate Conference	Training	Training
Workload (in hours) over the whole doctorate	150–180	250–300	125–210	125–210
Distribution of ECTS (total of 30)	6 ECTS	10 ECTS	14 ECTS	

Pillar I provides all doctoral students with the conceptual, theoretical and empirical tools they need for the preparation of a doctoral thesis within the field of migration and mobility studies. This includes a series of Core Courses.

Pillar II comprehends the scientific exchange activities leading to interdisciplinary research integration. The main components of this pillar are the Research Days, i.e. monthly two-day thematic workshops with international speakers organized by the scientific management and the doctoral researchers, and the Neuchâtel Graduate Conference of Migration and Mobility Studies.

Pillar III offers training on a variety of academic (e.g. scientific writing, research and data management, publication) and transversal skills (e.g. communication, knowledge transfer, professional portfolio building).

Pillar IV of the program is oriented towards methods, contents and skills within the own discipline. The participants elaborate a training plan that best suits their needs.

Annual Budget of the Program for a Cohort of 25 Doctoral Fellows

	Pillar I	Pillar II	Pillar III	Pillar IV
Component	Core Doctoral Courses in Migration and Mobility	Research Days	Training in knowledge transfer, communication, promotion of female careers	Methods training, discipline specific
		Graduate Conference		
Format	Integration in existing doctoral programs (such as CUSO)	Own product	Own products and possible partial integration in existing offers, subject to budget conditions	
		Own product		
Resources	In-kind contribution from host institution	15 000–35 000 CHF	In-kind contribution from partner institutions and/or In cash: 20 000–40 000 CHF	
		15 000–35 000 CHF		

These amounts include the attendants' expenses and the honoraria and wages of speakers, but not the salary of the coordination and support service provider of the program.

Our Request

We are calling for expressions of interest from institutions who wish to participate in the institutionalization of the program through in-kind or in cash contributions. Cooperation modalities range from sponsorship to membership or partnership.

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The nccr – on the move

The nccr – on the move is the National Center of Competence in Research (NCCR) for migration and mobility studies. It aims to enhance the understanding of contemporary phenomena related to migration and mobility in Switzerland and beyond. Connecting disciplines, the NCCR brings together research from the social sciences, economics and law.

Managed from the University of Neuchâtel, the network comprises seventeen research projects at eleven universities in Switzerland: The Universities of Basel, Fribourg, Geneva, Lausanne, Lucerne, Neuchâtel, Zurich, ETH Zurich, the Graduate Institute Geneva, the University of Applied Sciences and Arts of Western Switzerland, and the University of Applied Sciences and Arts of Northwestern Switzerland.

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Contacts and Further Information

For more detailed information about our doctoral program, please visit:
nccr-onthemove.ch/education-careers/doctoral-program

What some alumni of the program say:
nccr-onthemove.ch/who-is-who/emeriti-alumni

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