

## Writing Successful Grant Proposals

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<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Content</b>	<p>Acquiring external funding is a crucial step in establishing a research career and every successful project presupposes a good application.</p> <p>But what makes a successful proposal? In this course, doctoral students and early post-docs will learn how to write a grant proposal for their research project. Participants will formulate a research question, define objectives, outline a work plan and discuss ways to present their project effectively and convincingly. In small exercises, participants will write parts of their proposal. By the end of the course, participants should have a clear idea and a writing plan to submit a proposal to a funding agency.</p> <p>In addition to the focus on writing grant applications, participants will gain insights into how funding agencies operate and get an overview of the funding landscape in Switzerland.</p> <p>Contents in brief:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Formulating a research question and defining objectives</li><li>– Planning and writing a research proposal</li><li>– Avoiding common pitfalls</li><li>– Passing the review process</li></ul>
<b>Prerequisites/ Materials</b>	<p>Participants who have already worked on grant applications, should bring their drafts.</p> <p>Feel free to send me any specific questions or issues that are of interest to you before the course: <a href="mailto:susanne.toensmann@uzh.ch">susanne.toensmann@uzh.ch</a>. I will do my best to address them in the course.</p>
<b>Notes</b>	<p>This Graduate Academy offering is directed at researchers, post-docs and doctoral students at the university of Lucerne and its partner institution and is for these persons offered free of charge.</p> <p>Course fees for other doctoral students: CHF 150/day. ECTS-Point 1.</p>