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The TWAS-CUI Fellowship Programme for Postdoctoral Research offers fellowships to young scientists from developing countries (other than Pakistan) who wish to pursue postdoctoral research in natural or social sciences. Duration: from a minimum of six months to a maximum of 12 months.

Call opening

Deadline

31 August 2022

Partner Organizations

[COMSATS University Islamabad](#) [1]

Host country

Pakistan

Eligible nationalities

[Developing countries in the South](#) [2]

Level

Postdoc

Minimum degree held

PhD 5 - years

Duration

Minimum of 6 months and a maximum of 12 months

Field

02-Structural, Cell and Molecular Biology
03-Biological Systems and Organisms
05-Chemical Sciences
06-Engineering Sciences incl. Computing and IT
07-Astronomy, Space and Earth Sciences
08-Mathematical Sciences
09-Physics
10-Social and Economic Sciences

Age limit

None

Sandwich option

no

Please use the “apply now” button at the bottom of this page to start your application once the call is open.

Opening date of this fellowship: 1 June 2022

Closing date of this fellowship: 31 August 2022

Applicants are encouraged to apply for the preliminary acceptance letter as early as possible. Keeping in mind that only Acceptance letters dated the same year as the year of application are eligible.

Programme details

- TWAS-CUI Postdoctoral Fellowships are tenable in the departments and laboratories of the campuses of the [COMSATS University Islamabad \(CUI\)](#) [3] for a minimum period of six months to a maximum period of twelve months. NB: In 2018, COMSATS Institute of Information Technology (CIIT) changed its name to COMSATS University Islamabad (CUI).
- CUI-TWAS Fellowships are offered in the following areas of the natural and related applied sciences: Mathematics, Biosciences, Metrology, Pharmacy, Chemistry, Environmental Sciences, Physics, Chemical Engineering and Management Sciences.
- CUI-TWAS Fellowships are also offered in the following social and economic sciences: Development Studies, Economics, Economics and International Relations.
- CUI will provide a monthly stipend which should be used to cover living costs such as food, accommodation and health insurance. The monthly stipend will not be convertible into foreign currency.
- The language of instruction is English.

Eligibility

Applicants for these fellowships must meet the following criteria:

- be nationals of a developing country (other than Pakistan);
- must not be on site in Pakistan;
- must not hold any visa for temporary or permanent residency in Pakistan or any developed country;
- hold a PhD degree in a field of natural sciences;
- IF applying in a field of eligible social sciences, hold a PhD degree in a field of social sciences;
- apply for the fellowship within five years of having obtained a PhD degree;
- be regularly employed in a developing country (other than Pakistan) and hold a research assignment there;
- provide an official Acceptance Letter from CUI (see sample preliminary acceptance letter that can be downloaded below or included in the online application form). Requests for acceptance must be sent to Mr. Kashif Masood, Deputy Registrar (International) by emails cuitwasfellowships@comsats.edu.pk [4] who will facilitate assignment of a host supervisor. In contacting Mr. Kashif Masood, applicants must accompany their request for an Acceptance Letter with copy of their CV, a research proposal outline, the completed Foreign Student Information Sheet (available below for download) and scanned copy of their valid passport (just page with picture and biodata). For any queries, please contact cuitwasfellowships@comsats.edu.pk [4] (NB: Requests will not be accepted at any other email address) (Attention of: Mr. Kashif Masood, CUI Deputy Registrar);
- provide evidence of proficiency in English, if medium of education was not English;
- provide evidence that s/he will return to her/his home country on completion of the fellowship;
- not take up other assignments during the period of her/his fellowship;
- be financially responsible for any accompanying family members and for any delay incurred in completing the fellowship.

Submitting your application

- The call for applications is open until **31 August 2022**.
- Applicants must submit an Acceptance Letter from CUI when applying, or by the deadline at the latest. Without preliminary acceptance the application will not be considered for selection.
- Reference letters must be on letter-headed paper and signed. The subject line must contain CUI/PDoc and the candidate's surname. N.B. Only signed reference letters can be accepted.

- Applicants to the TWAS-CUI Postdoctoral Programme should send a copy of their application (by e-mail) to CUI.
- Applications can only be accepted via the online portal using the apply now button at the bottom of this page.

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Download(s):

Attachment	Size
 Online application form_Tutorial [6]	1.34 MB
 Sample Host preliminary acceptance letter [7]	62.54 KB
 Foreign Student Info Sheet [8]	79.56 KB

Links:

[1] <https://twas.org/network/partners>

[2] <https://twas.org/developing-countries-south>

[3] <https://www.comsats.edu.pk/>

[4] <mailto:cuitwasfellowships@comsats.edu.pk>

[5] <mailto:fellowships@twas.org>

[6] https://twas.org/sites/default/files/fellowship/online_forms_applicants_tutorial_1_1.pdf

[7] https://twas.org/sites/default/files/fellowship/sample_preliminary_acceptance_letter_9.pdf

[8] https://twas.org/sites/default/files/fellowship/foreign_student_information_sheet_0.docx