

Eawag Partnership Program for Developing Countries

Tips for EPP Applications

The EPP Fellowship Program provides talented students from developing countries with the unique opportunity to perform science at Eawag. The program provides scientific training and exchange during a short-term research visit (3 - 4 months). Each fellow is associated with one of the Eawag departments and obtains guidance and training from within the department. Fellows are selected based on the *scientific quality* of the proposed project and the *relevance* of the topic in the context of developing countries.

There are usually two types of activities that EPP fellows pursue during their stay at Eawag:

- 1) **Writing.** This usually includes finalising a PhD full proposal or writing a scientific publication. EPP fellows benefit from full access to the Eawag library and on-line scientific journals/databases.
- 2) **Lab and/or computational work.** This may include experimental work, modeling or data analysis using (or learning to use) new software or analytical techniques.

When applying for your fellowship please specify precisely what tasks you are planning to carry out at Eawag. If you plan to write a paper or a report, please indicate what you have already accomplished and what is still missing (e.g. if the field work or experiments which you plan to write about have already been finalised) and what you plan to do while at Eawag. Please be realistic and do not state that you plan to write 2-3 scientific papers in 3 months.

If you are planning to do lab work or modeling, explain what experiments/data analysis you plan to carry out during your fellowship. It will help to provide a detailed timetable which you have agreed upon with your Eawag supervisor.

The Eawag Partnership Program is a competitive fellowship programme. The more specific your proposal/timetable is, the higher are your chances for a successful application.

Please note that you need to choose between a 3 or 4 months stay in Switzerland. It is not possible to split your fellowship stay into two trips. It is also not possible to extend your stay from 3 to 4 months or beyond the 4 months once you are here (due to immigration rules). If you are undecided between 3 and 4 months, please apply for the longer 4 months stay.

Make sure you submit your application to epp@eawag.ch on time. In addition to the completed application form, please submit a one-page **proposal** highlighting the relevance of the suggested topic for your country and summarizing the tasks to be carried out at Eawag. The one-page proposal and the text filled in the candidate form, must be written entirely by the student applying. Please also submit your 2-3 page CV in PDF or Word format.