GRANTS FROM THE KNUT AND ALICE WALLENBERG FOUNDATION

The Knut and Alice Wallenberg Foundation has provided travel grants for young researchers since 1967. For 2015, the total amount available to the Faculty Board of Social Sciences for this purpose is 55 000 SEK.

The funding must primarily be used for travel that will facilitate personal scholarly exchange activities expected to benefit Swedish research. The allocated grants must, in each individual case, cover a significant portion of the total travel expenses. Grants may in some cases be used to pay for visits by foreign visiting researchers.

In addition to the above provisions, the Vice-Chancellor has provided some instructions and guidelines that applicants should be aware of (see below). Please note that due to the necessary application processing time, it is not meaningful to apply for funding for travel that will be completed prior to 15th of September 2015 since grants cannot be awarded retrospectively.

The call for applications, instructions and application form are available via the University of Gothenburg’s central website www.gu.se/forskning/stipendier/gustipendier/wallenberg_resebidrag/

For more information please contact Klara Öberg, klara.oberg@gu.se or 031-786 6574.

Application deadline: 15th of September 2015.

Please submit applications to:
Samhällsvetenskapliga fakultetsnämnden, Box 720, 405 30
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Mark the envelope ‘WALLENBERGMEDEL’

Kind Regards,
Klara Öberg
Guidelines concerning travel grants from the Knut and Alice Wallenberg Foundation

- In this context, the term ‘young researchers’ implies (i) doctoral students working on their theses and (ii) University teachers/researchers involved in research as part of or in addition to a position at the University that can be considered a tenure track position.

- In the assessment of applications, particular weight is given to international travel that will give the applicant access to equipment, techniques and methods, libraries, museums, collections etc. critical to his/her research.

- Funding may also be granted for conference, congress, symposium and workshop participation (and similar activities) if the applicant will contribute at the event by presenting own papers, posters etc. or has been invited to lead certain activities.

- Particular weight is also given to applications concerning conference participation if the applicant in connection with the visit will undertake own research work such as data collection, library studies and lab work.

- As a general rule, at most one applicant from each Department will be granted funding for participation at a certain conference.

- Grants are generally intended to cover airfares, train tickets etc.

- Applications for travel within Sweden or shorter trips within the Nordic countries are generally not approved.

- Applications for travel planned to be completed by the time the grant is disbursed will not be approved /.../.

- When grant applications are assessed, whether an applicant has been granted ‘Wallenberg funding’ in recent years is considered.

- Travel for the purpose of artistic development work is assessed in the same way as travel for research purposes.

- Funding can be used to pay for visits by visiting researchers from foreign countries.