



Regulation for Visiting Fellowship Program (Open Fund Program)

1. Validity, Suspension and Termination

(1) Validity

- Each project shall be valid for one year from the date of approval.
- Validity period refers to the implementation period if the implementation period exceeds one year.

(2) Suspension

If the project must to be suspended for any reason, the suspension application must be submitted to the Program Committee prior to the project deadline. Otherwise the project will be terminated and the remaining funds will be taken back.

(3) Termination

- If the planned research project cannot be implemented for any reason, or discords with its research plan, the scholar must notify the Program Committee immediately to terminate the project.
- The project will automatically terminate if the scholar is not able to carry it out within the validity period.

2. Support Tiers

(1) Living allowance

- Distinguished Visiting Fellowship Allowance is 50,000 Yuan/month.
- Senior Visiting Fellowship Allowance is 30,000 Yuan/month.
- Young Scientist Visiting Fellowship Allowance is 10,000-20,000Yuan/month.
- The scholar may receive up to 3 months of living allowance. The allowance listed above is given in gross amounts (before tax), and is ONLY applicable to the period of time when the scholar is physically at the Laboratory.

(2) Travel expenses

One round-trip international (domestic) air ticket (economy class) is provided.

(3) Accommodations

- Accommodation per diem amounts: Distinguished Visiting Scholar ≤ 500 Yuan/day; Senior Visiting Scholar ≤ 400 Yuan/day; Young Scientist ≤ 350 Yuan/day.

- Accommodation costs lower than the above listed per diems can be covered by the fellowship fund, while the exceeding part shall be paid by the scholar.

3. Scholars shall work at the Laboratory for a minimum of 5 successive days in order to be eligible for the living allowance claim.

4. Logistics

- (1) The Laboratory administrative office can assist the Laboratory partner with invitation letter, visa, and round-trip flight tickets if needed.
- (2) Accommodation can be reserved by either the Laboratory partner or the Laboratory Administrative Office.
- (3) The Laboratory provides the scholar with office space and other Laboratory facilities.
- (4) The scholars' academic lectures and academic exchanges are arranged together by the Laboratory partner and science coordinator.
- (5) Matters not mentioned herein can be discussed with the Laboratory partner and the Laboratory.

5. Responsibilities of scholars

- (1) Within the project validity period, the accumulative working time of the scholar in the Laboratory shall be no less than 1 month.
- (2) The scholar and his/her Laboratory partner shall work according to the research plan.
- (3) A report of conclusions completed by the scholar and his/her Laboratory partner are required.

6. Research Outcomes

Papers, monographs and research reports supported by the fellowship must acknowledge the name of State Key Laboratory of Marine Geology, Tongji University and the support of the Visiting Fellowship Program of State Key Laboratory of Marine Geology, Tongji University.

7. Others

These rules are revised and implemented in May 2017; the State Key Laboratory of Marine Geology has the final interpretation.

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