

In the coming autumn, KAW will announce funding for a new round of Wallenberg Academy Fellows with a deadline of 15 February 2023. The application process starts with the departments nominating their candidates to the faculty, which can nominate a maximum of seven candidates to the central university level. The entire process is described in a document for nominations at Umeå university, but the parts concerning nominations within the faculty are clarified below.

Note the eligibility requirement and that the university must strive for an equal gender distribution, and that the nomination must contain at least as many external candidates as internal ones. It is of great importance that departments can nominate external candidates i.e., researchers who have not held an employment or scholarship in Sweden for the past four years. However, they may have had salary administered from a Swedish university, but the researcher must have been stationed abroad. We therefore ask you to set aside time and resources to find suitable candidates who meet this condition.

The departments nominate by sending proposals for candidates to [robert.johansson@umu.se](mailto:robert.johansson@umu.se) no later than **5 October 2022**. We also want a **short report on September 1** in which you briefly describe which candidates you are preparing to nominate, write down the name of the candidate and whether it is an external or internal together with a suggested plan for the department's and faculty's co-financing of salary costs. For external candidates, an additional amount should also be stated in the plan (see below).

The nominations must be written in English and contain the following:

- Name and CV
- A short motivation (approximately an A4 page) in English that includes the candidate's strengths, a summary and highlights of the candidate's CV, the candidate's scientific background and research focus, and a description of why the candidate's activities form an important part of faculty and university research profile.
- A nomination of a researcher nominated by the university in the previous round must be motivated by particularly distinctive scientific successes in recent years.
- Description of the planned project in English (maximum six A4 pages).
- A plan for the department's and faculty's co-financing of salary costs. For external candidates, an additional amount must also be stated in the plan (see the description of the nomination process at Umeå university).
- A letter of support from the head of department stating that the department will finance overhead, together with the faculty costs that are not covered by the Wallenberg Foundation.
- Contact information for a senior researcher who can contribute with feedback on the application.

If the nominee is external, the proposal must also include:

- A declaration that the candidate has been asked and is in favor of moving to Umeå and justification why the candidate wants to establish his research at Umeå University.

This applies to researchers who are active abroad at the time of nomination, i.e. who have not during the last four years held employment or scholarship financing in Sweden. However, they may hold salary funds from Sweden that are administered from a Swedish university, but the researcher must always be abroad.