

POGO-SCOR Visiting Fellowships

FAQs

Can I apply for a Fellowship for less than one month?

The minimum period of a POGO-SCOR Visiting Fellowship is one month.

Can I apply for a Fellowship for more than three months?

The POGO-SCOR Visiting Fellowship programme will only provide funds for a maximum of a three-month period. If an applicant is able to secure a longer visit with the host supervisor, this is acceptable, but the fellow will need to find additional funds for his/her stay beyond the first three months.

Will the POGO-SCOR Visiting Fellowship pay for me to attend a training course?

POGO-SCOR Visiting Fellowships are intended to support visits to institutions for training, information exchange and networking. Funds are not provided to pay fees for a prescribed training course or summer course.

Will POGO find me host institution to visit?

It is the responsibility of an applicant to identify and contact a potential host supervisor/institution and to agree a visit. The application form must be accompanied by a letter of acceptance from the potential host.

I am a senior scientist. Can I apply for a POGO-SCOR Visiting Fellowship?

The POGO-SCOR Visiting Fellowships are aimed at early to mid-career scientists who will benefit from learning new skills and techniques and making new contacts.

I am a citizen of a developing country, but I currently live and work in a developed country. Can I apply for a POGO-SCOR Visiting Fellowship?

The goal of the POGO-SCOR Fellowship is to promote capacity building in developing countries. Applicants living in a developed country would have to demonstrate clear plans of returning to the developing country on completion of the training programme, and explain how it would lead to capacity building in the developing country. Note that the POGO-SCOR Fellowship also requires that you explain how the proposed training is relevant to ongoing or planned programmes at the parent institute in the developing country.

Will POGO apply for my visa if I need one?

It is the responsibility of the applicant to procure the visa. The fellowship grant letter from POGO can be used as a supporting document. In addition, you may require a letter from your host supervisor. Please note that the fellowship does not constitute a job. Nor does it represent admission to an academic course. It represents financial support to defray travel and living expenses while the fellowship holder undertakes professional training. You may find that <http://www.visabureau.com/worldwide/default.aspx> is a useful website.

What is the scope of POGO-SCOR Visiting Fellowships?

The Fellowships are primarily intended to provide training and experience in making ocean observations, and in analysing and presenting conclusions from these observations. Working from existing data sets is appropriate, as is making new observations at sea or from the shore. The fellowships are not intended for research projects that are only loosely connected to practical sea going observations.