

Donders-WIN Mobility Exchange Programme

The Donders Institute (DI) and the Western Institute for Neuroscience (WIN) are pleased to announce their internal call for proposals to support the exchange of Master students for research visits, to be performed during the duration of their study program.

The funding, secured primarily by the DI through the Erasmus+ Programme, is intended to allow students to gain international research experience and extend their skillset, and to help establish new collaborative research programs between PIs at both institutes. You can find associated researchers via [Research at WIN](#) or [Research at Donders Institute](#).

Student visits should be at least 2 months and can be funded up to 90-days in a period until July 31st 2026; longer visits are possible, but will require co-funding. Grants may be awarded up to the cost of the flight (up to €1180/C\$1700) and a living allowance (max €900/C\$1340 per month + €8/C\$12 per day), following the guidelines of the Erasmus program.

Applications include:

1. Individual background details, including study duration.
2. A statement outlining the overall objectives of the training, the research activities to be carried out during the visit and expected outcomes and impact. The statement should also include details on the added value of the mobility, for DI and WIN, and for the applicant (max 2 pages, 12 points times new roman, line space 1.5)
3. Start and end date of the intended visit.
4. Estimation of the costs, including details of any other available sources of funding.
5. Curriculum vitae (max 1 page; e.g. NIH Biosketch format);
6. Two letters of support of both the sending and hosting PIs with whom the collaboration will be established.

Only one application per student is permitted. Applications should be sent as a single pdf document containing all the required documents. **Application deadline is April 1st, 2025.** The funding must be spent before 1 July 2026, and before the end of the student's Master program. Following the completion of the exchange, successful applicants, working with the respective PIs, will provide a short report detailing research outcomes.

Applications will be reviewed by a committee of members of DI and WIN who will rank them in terms of research project, feasibility, research and training goals, motivation, CV, career development, novelty of the collaboration, and benefit for DI-WIN partnership.

Deadline of the full application is April 1st, 2025, to be sent to gradschool@donders.ru.nl. The results of this competition are expected to be announced at the end of April.

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