

Template for pre-proposals to WAF at SLU

According to the KAW guidelines, all applications submitted to WAF must undergo an internal prioritization process at the nominating university. At SLU, this is achieved by a process in which interested researchers submit a pre-proposal for WAF, which is first assessed at the faculty level and then by an especially appointed prioritization group, with the task of making a recommendation on which candidates should be nominated by the Vice Chancellor. Internal guidelines for WAF at SLU can be found here – [Swedish](#) / [English](#).

The pre-proposal is made by filling out this form, **in English, and sending it to the faculties, via the Research Officers, no later than September 15, 2022.**

Before submitting your application, carefully read KAW's application guidelines for WAF and consider the following;

- Wallenberg Academy Fellows is a career program open to researchers up to nine years after PhD, working in any scientific discipline. Hence, candidates that are nominated to WAF in the 2023 call must have obtained their PhD after January 1, 2014. The date of the PhD considered for the calculation of the eligibility period is the date of the successful defence of the PhD thesis, not the date when the degree was awarded.
- Candidates who successfully defended their PhD thesis before 2014 can be nominated if they provide evidence of documented parental leave or longer sick leave after being awarded their PhD¹.
- Nominated candidates should focus on research of basic scientific character and show a strong potential to become research leaders in the future.
- Researchers that are nominated to WAF should work in areas that are in line with the priorities of SLU, the faculty and the nominating department, and be considered to have the qualifications needed for pursuing an academic career at SLU.
- Discuss the candidate's profile and project idea with the head of the intended host department well in advance of submitting the pre-proposal, as it is the responsibility of the department head to ensure that the candidate's research is in line with the faculty's strategy.

¹ In the proposal to KAW, the deductible time needs to be verified with supporting documentation.

Information about the researcher proposed to be nominated for WAF

Name, title			
External/Internal candidate (E/I)		Female/Male (F/M)	
Date of successful defence of PhD thesis (year/month/date)			
Deductible time (reason + duration)			
<u>Reason</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>% of working time</u>
Host department + Faculty (NJ, S, VH, LTV)			
Research field (<i>Medicine, Natural sciences, Engineering and Technology, Social sciences or Humanities/Religion</i>)			
E-mail			
Phone			
Project title			

Project description (max. 5000 characters, including spaces)

Provide a short synopsis that describes the researcher's proposed project (including aims/objectives, significance and implementation). Make sure to answer the following questions;

- i) What are the overall aims and objectives of the project? Which is the most important research question that the project is addressing?
- ii) In what way will the project move the frontiers of science in the relevant research field? What basic scientific knowledge will the project contribute?
- iii) Why is this knowledge important?
- iv) In what way is the project ground-breaking and bold? Define and motivate which novel research questions and/or methods that will be asked and/or developed?
- v) How will the aims of the project be achieved?

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**Background and expertise of the nominated candidate
(max. 3000 characters, including spaces)**

Describe the nominated researcher's background and expertise, as well as how he/she would fit into the proposed research environment. This section should include a summary of the researcher's strengths and qualities, potential to become a future research leader, as well as highlights from his/her research and CV.

Strategic significance (max. 2000 characters, including spaces)

Describe in what way the proposed research and candidate is of strategic importance for SLU, as well as for Sweden in an international perspective.

Endorsement by the host department

All pre-proposals to WAF need to be supported by the nominating department. This is preferably done by informing the department head in good time before submitting a pre-proposal. Further, when submitting a pre-proposal, a copy of the proposal must be sent to the head of the department.

Head of department	Department
E-mail	Phone

- I hereby certify that the head of the candidate's intended host department has been informed of this pre-proposal, and that the nomination is in line with the faculty's strategy.

CV och bibliometric information

Please attach a brief CV for the nominated candidate (max. 2 pages), together with bibliometric information (max. 1 page), following the instructions given below.

For external candidates

Enclose a signed declaration that the proposed researcher agrees to move to Sweden and conduct research at SLU (also indicate location/campus), as well as a motivation for why the researcher considers SLU to be a suitable university for his/her future career in academia (max. 1 page).

Submit your pre-proposal to WAF by e-mail to the **Faculty Research Officer**, with a copy to the **head of the nominating department**, latest on **September 15, 2022**.

CV template for WAF pre-proposals at SLU

A brief CV for the proposed candidate (max. 2 pages), as well as an overview of his/her publication statistics and 10 most important publications (max. 1 page) must be attached to the WAF nomination pre-proposal. Please use the headings relevant to the candidate, according to the template below.

CV template (max. 2 pages)

- Contact information - name, address, phone number (work), E-mail, researcher ID information (ResearchGate, Google Scholar etc.)
- Education, in reverse chronological order
- Post doc stays (year, place)
- Qualification for Associate Professorship or equivalent (year)
- Employments, with the current position at the top
- Breaks in research (indicate any breaks in your active research time, which have affected your opportunities for qualification, such as parental leave, illness, general or specialist positions for clinically active professions, elected positions or other reasons of a similar nature)
- Special assignments (year, assignment)
- Prizes and awards
- Stays abroad for research or teaching
- Supervision, PhD graduates and post-docs for whom you have been main or co-supervisor (name, year)
- Experience of teaching
- Higher education pedagogical education
- Assignment as editor, referee
- Scholarly/academic societies/ networks (only appointed/elected member)
- Experience of communicating results to stakeholders / end users
- Current funding
- Other information relevant to the application

Publications (max. 1 page)

- Bibliometric analysis outlining the total number of publications, citations and h-index (if applicable to the research field)
- List of 10 selected publications, relevant to the project application