



OSUN Work-Away: Staff Mobility Program

Frequently Asked Questions

What do you look for in staff mobility applications?

Please see the eligibility requirements and selection criteria detailed in the current [call for applications](#).

Do I need to identify a host before I apply?

No. Your application probably will be stronger if you have identified a host and include a host's letter of support, as that will help you define your objectives more specifically. However, you are encouraged to apply even if you have no specific host institution in mind. If you haven't identified a potential host and your application is accepted, OSUN will try to find a suitable office at a partner institution to host you. Final approval of applications is contingent upon the host institution's approval.

Is my home and host institution eligible for the OSUN staff mobility program?

If you have questions about the eligibility of your home or host institution, please email Zahid Jalali at zjalali@bard.edu.

May I request a placement at a university outside of OSUN?

No. The staff mobility program is designed to promote collaboration and integration within the OSUN network.

Is there flexibility on the timing of the mobility placement?

The dates for each mobility placement will be decided by agreement between the accepted applicant and the host institution. The current round of mobility placements must take place between January and July 2024.



May recipients of staff mobility fellowships bring their family?

OSUN will **not** provide any additional resources nor support for accompanying family members and does **not** expect the host institution to provide any such resources or support. Since OSUN staff mobility is designed for short-term placements, participants are encouraged to travel alone. If you choose to take family members, you will have to assume full responsibility for their arrangements and expenses.

Where will I stay during my time at the host institution?

OSUN Work-Away is designed as job exchange, not a business trip. You will live in a furnished apartment rather than stay at a hotel. The host institution will help you find an apartment with a kitchen in close proximity or with good public transportation to the campus. You will need to cater for yourself as you would when you are at home.

How much will I receive for the OSUN Work-Away?

OSUN will pay for travel expenses, insurance, and accommodation at a furnished apartment (not hotel nor per diem). In addition, if living expenses are significantly higher at the host institution than your home institution, OSUN will provide a salary supplement to cover the difference between your salary and the salary for an equivalent position at the host institution for the period of your stay. The amount paid for accommodation and for any salary supplement will depend on the location and will be determined by OSUN in close consultation with the host institution.

Will I receive per diem?

No. You are expected to cater for yourself in the apartment where you will stay during your OSUN Work-Away. OSUN will not reimburse you for restaurant meals nor provide per diem.

Where can I get further information?

Please contact Zahid Jalali at zjalali@bard.edu.