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Humboldt Research Fellowship for postdocs and experienced researchers

 Applicants     Foundation     Notification

Application	Processing 4-6 weeks	Review process approx. 4 months	Selection Feb./Mar., June/July, Oct./Nov.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> <b>Online application</b></li><li> <b>Host's statement</b></li><li> <b>References</b></li><li> <b>Receipt of application</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> acknowledgement of receipt</li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> <b>Check eligibility</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> if not eligible: formal rejection to applicant and host</li></ul></li><li> <b>Check completeness</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> notification about the expected date of decision</li><li> reminder about missing items, if applicable</li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> <b>Request for independent peer reviews (usually two)</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> allowing for potential impartiality issues</li></ul></li><li> <b>Reviewed applications forwarded to selection committee members</b></li><li> <b>Selection committee meeting</b> <i>(3 times a year)</i><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> information about decision to applicant and host <i>(1–3 working days after selection meeting)</i></li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> <b>Approval of application</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> delivery of award documents <i>(approx. 4 weeks after selection meeting)</i></li></ul></li><li> <b>Rejection of application</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> upon request: information on factors that led to rejection to applicant and host <i>(approx. 5 weeks after selection meeting)</i></li></ul></li><li> <b>Start of fellowship (if applicable: preceding language course)</b> <i>min 2 to max 12 months after selection meeting</i></li></ul>