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Case

Scholarships for guest doctoral students

Background

For guest researchers at the postdoctoral level and higher, there are rules in place governing scholarships. For senior researchers, a scholarship can be paid over minimum one month and maximum six months at a remuneration level based on the awarded grant. A postdoctoral scholarship can be paid out for minimum two months and maximum two years. However, there are no corresponding rules for guest doctoral students. A proposal for scholarships for guest doctoral students has therefore been drawn up.

Decision

The Vice President decides the following in relation to the proposal for scholarships as supplementary funding for guest doctoral students.

The scholarship relates to guest doctoral students admitted to a doctoral programme at a foreign higher education institution. The guest doctoral students are international (not Swedish) students with a foreign undergraduate degree who are in Sweden temporarily. The following indicates the scope, payment and any reservation.

- For attendance up to six months, no supplementary funding is paid by Chalmers. An agreement or contract shall be signed for the attendance and the requisite insurance shall be taken out.
- For attendance longer than six months, the department shall compensate with a tax-free scholarship up to the net salary of an employed doctoral student. The net amount is calculated based on the current tax table. In this case as well, an agreement or contract shall be signed and the requisite insurance shall be taken out.
- The remuneration can be paid for minimum one month and maximum six months.
- Payment is always made for full months.
- According to the President's decision (C2006/480), government funds may not be used for scholarships.
- The scholarship is intended for education, and may not serve as remuneration for work.
- The recipient may not have been previously employed or had a remunerated assignment at Chalmers during any of the two preceding years.
- The scholarship cannot be combined with per diem, meal benefit, housing benefit, fee, or other salary benefit.
- A scholarship does not entitle the person to any benefits under Chalmers' collective agreement on salary and employment terms.
- The scholarship is not sickness benefit qualifying income. Health insurance must always be taken out through registration with Chalmers Business Visitor Försäkring.

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DECISION

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