# The NAWA Chair programme

The objective of the NAWA Chair programme is to support the highest quality scientific and research as well as didactic activities conducted by Polish academic and scientific units by including world-class foreign scientists in these activities.

The programme is addressed to selected institutions of the higher education and science system, among others Polish universities, scientific institutes and research institutes. They will be allowed to invite to Poland outstanding specialists from thematic priority areas, who will significantly develop breakthrough research, strengthen their teaching activities and support these institutions in preparing applications for prestigious grants.

Under the programme, it will be possible to employ scientists with outstanding international achievements from various countries around the world for a period of 36-48 months, and create project groups for them.

The programme also offers an option of covering the costs of scientific research in the field of basic research (Research component) financed by the National Science Centre in Poland.

The first edition of the programme was open to the fields of humanities, social and theological sciences.

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## The Ulam NAWA Programme

The aim of the Ulam Programme is to increase the internationalisation of Polish institutions of science and higher education. The Programme will allow both recognised and promising scientists who hold at least a doctoral degree, to visit Poland in order to strengthen the scientific potential of Polish entities and to participate in their scientific activities, primarily research projects and didactics. The Programme will allow to invite scientists regardless of their age, from all around the world and representing all fields of science, including Polish scientists working permanently abroad (they may constitute a maximum of 10% of Fellows in the call). HEIs, scientific and research institutes will have the opportunity to invite specialists from their priority areas to Poland – they will make a significant contribution to the research conducted by a given institution, strengthen didactics or support the institution in applying for prestigious grants.

Activities to be carried out during the Scholarship may include:

- conducting research and/or development work
- post-doctoral training
- obtaining materials for scientific work or publication

In addition to the above activities, the visit may also include conducting didactic classes at the Host institution.

The visits under the Project can last from 6 to 24 months. The Programme provides financing for a Scholarship that covers the Fellow's living allowance of PLN 10,000 a month, along with a mobility allowance.

The application under the Program shall be submitted also by a scientist with at least a doctoral degree or an equivalent degree obtained abroad, who, together with the institution of the Polish higher education and science system, has obtained the Seal of Excellence certificate under **the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions Individual Fellowships programme, 2020 edition.** 

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## About the patron

**Stanisław Marcin Ulam** (1909 -1984) was a brilliant Polish mathematician who earned a PhD from the Lviv Polytechnic in 1933. Prof. Ulam was a member of the internationally renowned Lviv School of Mathematics and co-author of the Scottish Book. Just before the outbreak of the Second World War, he went to the USA to join the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton. Several American universities appointed him as an associate professor (e.g. University of Wisconsin, University of Colorado Boulder, Florida State University).

## **POLONISTA – scholarship and fellowship programme**

### About the programme

**The objective** of the Programme is to promote Polish language in the world by enabling foreigners interested in Polish language and Polish culture to study or carry out research projects in Poland. The program is addressed to students of Polish philology, Polish studies or Polish programs implemented among others as part of Slavic studies (in the field of Polish language, Polish culture and knowledge about Poland) as well as to scientists from foreign universities and scientific institutions.

## Students

During the stay at a Polish university, NAWA Scholarship Holders may develop their interest in Polish matters by participating in lectures and classes in accordance with the program of selected studies, conducting research, carrying out scientific projects, collecting materials for their thesis or scientific work, improving the command of Polish language as well as using resources of libraries, universities and archives.

As part of the Program, partial studies (one or two semesters) or full second cycle studies may be implemented. Applicants shall choose the university at which they plan to study by themselves. The field of studies chosen by the Applicant should be consistent with the program of studies

carried out at the Home university. The Applicant has to obtain the consent of the Host university to undertake studies, and in the case of candidates for full studies – has to successfully complete the recruitment procedure at the selected university.

# Researchers

Under the Programme, Researchers from foreign academic and research centres may realize at Polish universities and scientific institutions research projects lasting from 3 to 12 months the purpose of which is, among others, conducting scientific research (including in cooperation with Polish scientists), obtaining research materials or scientific publications, postdoctoral internship, conducting classes at the Host institution, intensive learning of Polish language. The POLONISTA Programme fellowship may be awarded to Applicants whose research projects concern topics related to the Polish language, Polish language teaching, literary studies, comparative studies, Polish culture, art or history.

More detailed information: https://nawa.gov.pl/en/the-polish-language/programme-for-students-of-polish-studies