



NOVA 2016

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PLAN

1. NOVA 2016 - STATUS

The Nordic Forestry, Veterinary and Agricultural University Network (NOVA) is a university cooperation aimed at supporting the understanding of major global challenges in a Nordic context. Our main task is to initiate, administer, promote and financially support cooperation between the Nordic universities in postgraduate education.

NOVA provides a platform for networking between Nordic postgraduate students through facilitating high quality, international level education for these students.

NOVA's main activity is intensive PhD courses.

WHAT IS NOVA?



- ▶ University of Copenhagen, Faculty of Science , KU-SCIENCE
- ▶ Aarhus University, Science and Technology, AU-ST
- ▶ University of Helsinki, Faculty of Agriculture and Forestry, HU-AF
- ▶ University of Helsinki, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, HU-V
- ▶ University of Eastern Finland, School of Forest Sciences, UEF-F
- ▶ The Agricultural University of Iceland, LBHI
- ▶ The Norwegian University of Life Sciences, NMBU
- ▶ The Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, SLU

MEMBER INSTITUTIONS

	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15
Courses	17	13	16	14	14	17	19	19	21	16	11	8	12
NOVA PhD students	270	186	162	200	197	264	301	331	317	265	193	145	149


NOVA PHD COURSES 2003-2015

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Animal Welfare - from Fork to Farm

NOVA PhD course of 3 ECTS, organised by Professor Anna Valros, University of Helsinki - Faculty of Veterinary Medicine (HU-V). Preliminary course dates and location: 21-24 Nov. 2016 in Helsinki, Finland.


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Quantitative Genetics in Animal Breeding

NOVA PhD course of 3 ECTS, organised by Pekka Uimari, University of Helsinki - Faculty of Agriculture and Forestry (HU-AF). Dates and location: 8-13 August 2016 in Mikkeli, Finland.

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Genetic Epidemiology of Infectious Diseases in Livestock

NOVA PhD course of 3 ECTS, organised by Dirk Jan de Koning, Swedish University of

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<http://www.nmbu.no/en/students/nova/students/phd-courses/phd-2016>

NOVA PHD COURSES 2016

2. EXPERIENCE WITH NOVA

General feedback from teachers who have been responsible for NOVA courses:

- ▶ Applying for NOVA funding has been done in addition to normal work
- ▶ High quality courses
- ▶ Motivated and satisfied students
- ▶ NOVA courses give students and teachers good networking possibilities

The application and course administration processes have been simplified during the last two years.

EXPERIENCE

3. POSSIBILITIES FOR FUNDING

Intensive PhD and Master's Courses

- ▶ Single courses, course series and combined PhD and Master's courses

Other Projects

- ▶ Projects that facilitate Nordic cooperation in PhD and Master's education
- ▶ Planning of courses, programmes and other educational projects, e.g. support for application writing to other funding bodies

WHICH TYPES OF PROJECTS DOES
NOVA SUPPORT?

- ▶ Requirements for courses/projects: Nordic cooperation and course planning, Nordic dimension and added value
- ▶ Collaboration with the Baltic Forestry Veterinary and Agricultural University Network (BOVA) is encouraged
- ▶ Minimum no of students on courses: 12 students from NOVA's member institutions
- ▶ Requested course topics: Nordic food, agriculture in the Arctic and bioinformatics
- ▶ Other course topics are also welcome

REQUIREMENTS AND REQUESTS

Types of expenses that can be covered in accordance with the **NOVA rules**(for Master's courses, some of the expenses are covered by Nordplus instead of NOVA)*

- ▶ Travel
- ▶ Accommodation
- ▶ External, non-NOVA teacher/scientist
- ▶ Meals
- ▶ Miscellaneous
- ▶ Administration (10% of the granted amount)
- ▶ PhD courses: + 2500 EUR incentive money to cover administration

*There are restrictions/limitations on some of these expenses. Please see the call for more information.

WHICH TYPES OF EXPENSES CAN NOVA COVER?

- ▶ Easy to apply
- ▶ First, the applicant should fill in the application in NOVA's online application system
- ▶ Then, the applicant's home institution will evaluate the application for course financing and forward it to NOVA

APPLICATION PROCESS

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NOVA Open Call 2016 - Application for a Single Course

Please fill in your application. On the bottom of each page you may save and resume later. NB! Only complete applications will be submitted to the NOVA Board.

Please only fill in this form if you are applying for a single course. A different form is available for applications for course series.

We recommend that you have your budget ready before applying. Please use the budget template available on the NOVA website.

1 > 2 > 3 > 4 > 5
General Information > Course > Content > Upload Budget > Review Your Entry

Name of head applicant (= course leader) *

First Last

Academic title

Institution *

Email *

Address

Street Address

Address Line 2

City State / Province / Region

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PHD COURSES, AND MASTER'S COURSES > 5000 EUR

Round	Application deadline to home institution	Application deadline to NOVA	Board's approval	Course implementation
1	10 Feb.	24 Feb.	16 Mar.	Autumn 2016 or 2017
2	3 May	17 May	7-8 Jun.	2017
3	13 Oct.	27 Oct.	17 Nov.	2017

MASTER'S COURSES AND OTHER PROJECTS < 5000 EUR

No application deadline. Applications are presented for approval continuously.

APPLICATION DEADLINES 2016

- ▶ Easy to apply for support for courses and projects with Nordic dimension
- ▶ Good chances to receive funding
- ▶ NOVA's goal: 25-30 PhD courses each year
- ▶ Still possible to apply for funding for other projects in 2016, e.g. support for planning of NOVA courses and application writing to other financing bodies
- ▶ There is a local NOVA coordinator at your institution who can help you with questions on NOVA funding

WHY APPLY FOR NOVA FUNDING?

Information on NOVA:

- ▶ www.nova-university.org
- ▶ [NOVA's news letter](#)
- ▶ [Local NOVA coordinator at your home institution](#)