



Universiteit Utrecht

**Youth, Education  
and Society Micha de Winter  
Fellowship**

Information and application form

## Key information

*See for further details, the submission form below*

\* Recently graduated Master students from Utrecht University are invited to come up with their own challenge in the domain of Youth, Education and Society and submit a proposal that includes both a description of the challenge and a plan how to carry it out.

\* Utrecht University and the Netherlands Youth Institute award the Youth, Education and Society Fellowship once a year. The fellowship is competitive and only one candidate will be selected.

\* A boost to the fellow's career perspective is part of the appointment and the support.

\* The fellow will be able to establish a network both at Utrecht University and at the Netherlands Youth Institute.

\* The fellow will gain experience in teaching during the fellowship year. Part of the fellowship (.2 FTE of the appointment) consists of carrying out teaching tasks at the Bachelor program Pedagogical Sciences at the UU. Most likely you will be formulating and supervising a research project for bachelor students related to your own challenge. Your tasks will be carried out in coordination and under supervision of the Bachelor director and Bachelor coordinator of the program.

\* You will receive support and supervision from professionals from the Netherlands Youth Institute and Utrecht University to carry out your idea.

\* The supervisors depend on the particular topic and will be appointed by the steering committee of the fellowship. Prof. Micha de Winter is part of the supervision committee.

\* Notification of the winning candidate will take place on 1 October 2018.

\* The fellow will start no later than 1 November 2018 and will be appointed to Utrecht University for the period of one year.

- **In case of unclearities: see also the submission form. Please contact [Prof. Mariëtte de Haan](#) (**

**\* You will receive a monthly stipend 1.728,80 euro based on a .8 fte appointment (4 days a week). Of course the fellow is free to take on other paid or non paid activities in the 5th day.**  
**\* The fellow will be working both at the Netherlands Youth Institute and Utrecht University, and have office space in both locations. In principle the division will be 50% NYI and 50% UU. The official appointment will be at the Department of Education and Pedagogy.**

on behalf of Utrecht University), [m.dehaan@uu.nl](mailto:m.dehaan@uu.nl) or Kees Bakker [K.Bakker@nji.nl](mailto:K.Bakker@nji.nl) (on behalf of the Netherlands Youth Institute).

- See for current themes and issues at the Netherlands Youth Institute: <https://www.nji.nl>
- See for current themes and issues at the Dynamics of Youth program: <https://www.uu.nl/en/research/profile/strategic-themes>
- See for the Bachelor program Pedagogical Sciences: <https://www.uu.nl/bachelors/pedagogische-wetenschappen>

## **Submit your proposal**

### **Conditions:**

- You obtained your Master's at Utrecht University during the 2016-2017 or 2017-2018 academic year, or you can demonstrate that you will graduate in 2018.
- You submit your proposal no later than 1 September 2018 to [secretariaatpedagogiek@uu.nl](mailto:secretariaatpedagogiek@uu.nl).

### **Send in your application form before 1 September 2018**

Submit your application form, using this document to [secretariaatpedagogiek@uu.nl](mailto:secretariaatpedagogiek@uu.nl) by 1 September, 2018 at the latest. Address the email to Ms. I. Smit-Adan, secretary of the Fellowship Committee.

## Attach the following documents

### 1. Your CV (one page).

### 2. Your Master thesis.

In case you have not finalized your Master thesis, please upload a statement from your supervisor that tells what the expected date is you will finalize the thesis. In this case, you will receive further notice about the procedure by the selection committee. The selection committee need to see the thesis in all cases.

### 3. A recommendation of your thesis supervisor

A recommendation of 300 words by email addressed to [secretariaatpedagogiek@uu.nl](mailto:secretariaatpedagogiek@uu.nl) and in the subject line: your name + fellowship MOV. The recommendation should include what grade your thesis has received.

### 4. Personal details & details thesis and Master program

Family name:	
Given name:	
Email:	
Address:	
Master Program you are graduating/have graduated at the UU:	
Expected date you will graduate/ date of graduation:	
Master programme:	
Received grade:	
Name thesis supervisor:	
Email thesis supervisor:	
Telephone number thesis supervisor:	

### 5. Describe your challenge: 1000 words

You will come up with a socially relevant, interdisciplinary challenge that relates to the core questions of this fellowship. Core questions of the fellowship are:

Educator Micha de Winter propagates the 'pedagogical civil society' concept, which means that parenting is not just an individual task of parents or professionals but a shared task between all adults in a child's life. Instead of asking the question how individual development or professional service can be optimized, the question becomes then how can educative communities --initiatives of citizens to organize collective support for child raising--be optimized and organized? This line of thinking leads to questions as, for instance, how do we make use of the social network and the strength of families, while also guaranteeing the agency of children? How can the collaboration between professional and informal care givers be optimized in supporting educative communities? How can these processes be organized and supported in policy processes and what infrastructures are needed? The Youth, Education and Society Fellowship seeks practical answers to these

questions from a variety of perspectives and disciplines. One of the main concerns in this fellowship is how these ideas can be brought from concept to 'standing practice', but also how exactly change can be brought about.

*The description of your challenge has the following characteristics:*

- Describes what the issue is you want to tackle and how and why the issue is a challenge.
- Describes the academic framework that inspires you to define your challenge and find a solution (describe what academic concepts you are planning to use in order to support the rationale for your challenge/or the rationale for the solution you want to bring forward).
- It addresses a topic that is relatively understudied (describe how your challenge addresses this understudied issue).
- It is formulated such that it can be addressed with an interdisciplinary approach (show what disciplines you are planning to involve).
- It represents an important societal domain or issue (describe the societal domain the challenge represents).
- It describes the social impact realized by solving this challenge.
- The challenge relates to the core questions of the fellowship (describe how your challenge relates to the core issues of the fellowship).

## **6. Describe your personal motivation to address this challenge (300 words)**

### **7. Describe your work plan (1000 words max)**

\* Your work plan contains a preliminary, general working plan that indicates on which solutions you want to be active during your year as a fellow.

\* In your work plan you describe how you expect to carry out the challenge. What are the subsequent steps you will take? What kind of activities do you expect to carry out? What are the expected outputs of your work plan?

\* Your work plan should include a foundation for both knowledge related products, such as short essays or papers, but also more hands on materials such as tools, classes, policy documents, interventions, lectures and workshops.

\* Your work plan also includes a section in which you plan how you will share the results of your work through academic media and with a wider audience. An annual symposium is foreseen, and you may plan to involve the channels of the Netherlands Youth Institute and Utrecht University. You might involve or address for instance students, scholars, professionals and policymakers.

### **8. Describe your career launching activities (300 words max)**

How do you anticipate the fellowship will help you to prepare for the next step in your career? (e.g. writing a grant proposal, networking, organize your 'a day in a life' activity of your favorite professionals).

### **9. Describe the facilities and budget you need (200 words max)**

Please provide a budget plan in which you describe the costs of the various activities you will carry out. This could include travel costs, books, extra office or research materials, special software etc.

\* You will be provided with the standard office facilities, such as a work space, a desk, access to a computer/laptop, the possibility to book rooms for meetings, and small office facilities such as notebooks, memory sticks, etc. . You will have access to the regular services of the UU for researchers, such as the facility to use audio recorders, the library, etc..

\* There is a small budget to carry out your challenge. The total year budget will be 3000,00 (three thousand) euro.