

Lundgrens *Scholarship*

Study Leave and Knowledge Sharing Opportunity for Faith-Based Practitioners

The Church of Sweden and the Centre for Theology and Religious Studies at Lund University in Sweden invite two faith-based practitioners to apply for three weeks of study leave and contextual knowledge sharing. Given the commitments, complexities, and accumulative pressures under which faith-based practitioners conduct their work, there is often very little time and space for critical and constructive reflection. The Lundgren Scholarship enables exactly that. Faith-based practitioners are encouraged to apply for a three-week period of fully funded study leave (visa, travel, accommodation, stipend) where they can reflect on their day-to-day work in a supportive context and share their learnings in a series of collective exchange settings.

Funded by the *J V och Charlotte Lundgrens stiftelse av år 1954*, the study leave consists of three interconnected periods. From 5 to 9 October 2026, the practitioners are hosted by the Centre for Theology and Religious Studies at Lund University. During self-organized study time, they can draw on Lund's renowned academic resources, including a library dedicated to theology and religious studies, to reflect critically and constructively on a concern that has come up in their work. Researchers at the Centre for Theology and Religious Studies, particularly in the research unit on Global Christianity and

Interreligious Relations, are available for peer-to-peer support conversations. The practitioners are also invited to participate or to present their reflections in the unit's research seminar. Following the intensive praxis reflection period at CTR in Lund, practitioners will have the opportunity to engage in creative knowledge sharing in selected parishes or dioceses connected to the Church of Sweden. The period from 12 to 16 October is set aside for mutual exchange and contextual learning and reflection in a relevant thematic context that relates to the practitioners' field of expertise. The last phase of the exchange would enable the practitioners to join the meeting of the Global Network for Public Theology from 19 to 23 October 2026 hosted at the Free University in Amsterdam.

To apply, please fill in the following form

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before 10 April 2026.

A committee of representatives from the Church of Sweden and the Centre for Theology and Religious Studies at Lund University will evaluate all applications. Decisions will be communicated via email by 5 June 2026.