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## Data Science Lab - Rates 2026

## Free Support

Users may avail of a maximum of 2 working days of free support per case. This includes short term assistance with data analysis, programming, software usage, and general guidance related to your research projects and proposals, e.g. Letter of Support or cost estimates.

## **Hourly Rate Support**

After exhausting the initial 2 working days of free support, additional assistance will be billed at an hourly rate of **CHF 94.00**, as long as we have not engaged in a Collaboration Level Agreement together. The hourly rate corresponds to the minimum hourly rates yearly approved by the Finance Department of the University of Bern (Stundenansätze<sup>1</sup>). Rates for externals are somewhat higher and are provided in the same document.

## Longer Term Collaboration based on Employment Costs Only

In many cases, where extended or ongoing support is needed, we enter into a Collaboration Level Agreement (CLA) with you, your research group or project to provide dedicated and tailored support. For funding proposals and other cost planning, please refer to our average full time equivalent cost per year, **CHF 162'000**. The final cost we define together in the CLA, taking into consideration the duration and the needed seniority level of the involved colleagues. Rates for externals are based on the internal-external ratio in the hourly rates (see previous paragraph).