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Open Call for a RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP_Psychology

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Details

Deadline	30 January 2023
Research Field	Social sciences
Funding Type	Funding
Career Stage	First Stage Researcher (R1) (Up to the point of PhD)
European Research Programme	Not funded by an EU programme

About

Outline

Description of the vacancy:

The Universidade Lusófona de Humanidades e Tecnologias, instituted by COFAC - Cooperativa de Formação e Animação Cultural. CRL, calls for applications for the award of 1 research fellowship, in the area of Psychology under the Regulamento de Bolsas de Investigação da FCT (RBI) and Estatuto do Bolseiro de Investigação (EBI).

Type and number of grant(s) to be awarded: 1 (one) Research fellowship

Scientific area: Psychology

Funding Source: The subsidies related to the grant components are funded by the "Fundação para a Ciência e Tecnologia, I.P." / MCTES (FCT, I.P.), ref. 2022.09087.PTDC, with the designation Transdiagnostic approach to sexual distress: study of a pilot online intervention

What is funded

1 (one) Research fellowship

Duration

6 months renewable to 18 months

Eligibility

Holder of a Master's degree with enrolment in a cycle of studies leading to the award of an academic degree

The following may apply to this Call for Proposals: National citizens or citizens of other Member States of the European Union; Citizens of third countries; Stateless persons; Citizens benefiting from political refugee status.

Candidate Admissibility Requirements:

- Undergraduate degree in the study area in Psychology.
- Master's Degree in the field of studies in Psychology
- Residing in Portugal in a permanent and habitual way, requirement applicable to both national and foreign citizens.
- Proficient command of English
- Enrolled in a study cycle leading to an academic degree.
- Speak Portuguese fluently.

Admissibility requirements for the application

It is essential, under penalty of non-admission to the Competition, to attach the following documents to the application:

- Curriculum vitae of the candidate, indicating the electronic address, and all scientific production (scientific articles, books, chapters, communications, etc.) must be accessible on the RESEARCH GATE, ORCID or VITAE Science platform, or in a PDF format file;
- Certificates of academic qualifications held, specifying, compulsorily, the final classification and, if possible, the classifications obtained in all subjects taken. Alternatively, declaration of honour from the candidate that he/she has completed the degrees required in the announcement by the application deadline;
- Letter of Motivation;
- Letters of Recommendation (maximum two) that refer to the context of the candidate's academic and/or professional relationship with those recommending him/her, indicating the reference to this competition;

- Any other documents that the candidate may consider relevant for the assessment of his/her merit;
- Recognition of Foreign Degrees and Diplomas - In the case of academic degrees awarded by foreign higher education institutions, and in order to guarantee the application of the principle of equal treatment of candidates holding foreign and national academic degrees, it is mandatory to recognize those degrees and convert the respective final classification into the Portuguese classification scale. The recognition of foreign academic degrees and diplomas as well as the conversion of the final classification into the Portuguese classification scale may be requested in any public higher education institution, or in the Directorate General of Higher Education (DGES, only in the case of automatic recognition). Regarding this matter, we suggest consulting the DGES portal through the following address: <http://www.dges.gov.pt>. The documents proving the possession of academic degrees and diplomas, or the respective recognition when they have been awarded by foreign higher education institutions, may be dispensed with during the application stage, being replaced by a declaration of honour from the applicant (link), and this condition will only be verified during the contractualization phase of the grant. This declaration must certify facts that occurred prior to the application.

Applicable legislation and regulations:

Estatuto do Bolseiro de Investigação (EBI), aprovado pela Lei n.º 40/2004 de 18 de agosto, na redação atual publicada pelo Decreto-Lei n.º 123/2019 de 28 de agosto Regulamento de Bolsas de Investigação, n.º 950/2019 de 16-12-2019, da Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, I.P. - em vigor.

Amount of the monthly maintenance allowance:

The amount of the SMM corresponds to the amounts established for Doctoral Research Grants, according to the FCT, I.P. grant amounts table (Table of monthly maintenance allowances of the FCT I.P. Research Grant Regulations).

Other benefits: Reimbursement of Voluntary Social Insurance, corresponding to the 1st Category of the contribution base (for grants lasting 6 months or more) and Personal Accident Insurance.

Exclusive regime: The performance of functions as a grant holder will be carried out on an exclusive basis, in accordance with article 5 of the Research Grant Holder Statute and applicable research grant regulations.

Application deadline and form of presentation of applications:

The call is open from 16th to 30th January 2023. Applications and supporting documents to the application foreseen in the present announcement must be submitted by email to ana.mourato@ulusofona.pt and to patricia.pascoal@ulusofona.pt. The subject of the email must be "Candidature for research grant - 09087.PTDC_2023". Each candidate may submit only one application, under penalty of cancellation of all submitted applications. The provision of false statements or plagiarism by the applicants will lead to the cancellation of the application without prejudice to the adoption of other sanctionary measures.

Evaluation and selection criteria and procedures:

Applications deemed admissible will be scored on a scale of 0 to 100 on each of the following assessment criteria:

- Criterion A - Final mark of the Master's degree, with a weight of 40%;
- Criterion B - Integrated evaluation of the curricular and/or professional trajectory of the candidate, based on an overview of his/her scientific merits and experience in the area of the project, with the weight of 40%.
- Criterion C - Motivation letter with the weight of 20%.

For the purpose of the decision on the award of grants, candidates will be ranked according to the weighted average of the classification obtained in each of the four criteria, translated by the following formula:

$$\text{Classification Merit} = (40\% \times A) + (40\% \times B) + (20\% \times C)$$

For tie-breaking purposes, candidates will be ranked on the basis of the marks awarded for each of the evaluation criteria in the following order of precedence: criterion A, criterion B, and criterion C.

The Jury may decide to invite the three best classified candidates for interview, in which case the following evaluation sub-criteria shall apply

- a. Interpersonal Skills (20%)
- b. Demonstrated knowledge in research in the area of the competition (50%)
- c. Motivation (10%)
- d. Language Skills (20%)

The classification of the Interview will be obtained by applying the following formula:

$$\text{Interview} = a + b + c + d$$

In case the interview is held, the final classification of Merit and Interview will be obtained by applying the following formula:

$$\text{Final Classification} = (\text{Merit} * 0,7) + (\text{Interview} * 0,3)$$

If the interview does not take place, the final classification will correspond to 100% of the evaluation obtained in the Candidate's Merit.

The jury may not award the scholarship if the quality of the candidates is inferior to the desired quality. The candidate will be asked to participate in R&D activities taking place at UI&D HEI-Lab.

Composition of the Selection Board

President

Patrícia M. Pascoal, Professora Associada na Universidade Lusófona e Sub- Diretora do Programa Doutoral em Psicologia Clínica, Orientação Cognitivo-Comportamental

Effective Members

Cátia Oliveira, Professora Associada na Universidade Lusófona

Isabel Santos, Professor Auxiliar na Universidade Lusófona

Should the President of the Jury be unable to attend, he shall be replaced by the first effective member, and the alternate member shall be appointed to replace the effective member.

Substitute member:

Pedro Joel Rosa, Professor Associado na Universidade Lusófona

Requirements and documents required for the Grant Award:

Research grant contracts are concluded directly with COFAC. The following documents will have to be mandatorily remitted, at the time of the eventual granting of the scholarship, for the purpose of its contractualisation:

- Copy of civil, tax and, where applicable, social security identification document(s);
 - Copy of the qualification certificates of the academic degrees held;
 - Presentation of the record of recognition of foreign academic degrees and conversion of the respective final classifications to the Portuguese classification scale, if applicable; Work plan;
- Document proving the enrolment and/or registration in a course;

The award of the grant is also dependent on: the fulfilment of the requirements set out in this Announcement and the result of the scientific evaluation. Failure to submit any of the documents required to complete the contractualisation process of the grant, within 3 months from the date of communication of the decision of conditional award of the grant, will imply the forfeiture of that award and the closure of the process.

Funding:

Payment of the scholarships will begin after the candidates return the duly signed scholarship contract to this entity, which must occur within a maximum of 15 working days from the date of receipt.

Components of the scholarship

Grant holders shall be paid a monthly maintenance allowance in accordance with the table in Annex I of the RBI. The grant may also include other components, under the terms set out in Article 18 of the RBI and in the values foreseen in Annex II. All grant recipients shall be covered by personal accident insurance for research activities. All grant holders who are not covered by any social protection scheme may ensure the exercise of their right to social security by joining the voluntary social security scheme, under the terms of the Social Security Contributions Code.

Payment of Grant Components

All payments due to the grant holder shall be made by bank transfer to the account specified by the grant holder.

Non-Discrimination and Equal Access Policy

The Lusófona University and the HEI-Lab promote a policy of non-discrimination and equal access, whereby no applicant may be privileged, benefited, prejudiced, or deprived of any right, or exempted from any duty, due to ancestry, age, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, family situation, economic situation, education, origin or social condition, genetic patrimony, reduced work capacity, disability, chronic illness, nationality, ethnic origin or race, territory of origin, language, religion, political or ideological convictions, or trade union membership.

Organisation

Organisation name	Universidade Lusófona's Research Center for Digital Human-Environment Interaction Lab
Organisation Country	Portugal
More Information	https://hei-lab.ulusofona.pt/

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