

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR TWO RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIPS FOR THE PROJECT REF. UIDP/00022/2020 AT THE FACULTY OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF PORTO

The Faculty of Arts and Humanities of the University of Porto hereby opens this Call for Applications for two research scholarships for the project Ref. UIDP/00022/2020 financed by FCT – Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia and developed at CLUP – Centro de Linguística da Universidade do Porto:

1. Scientific Area: Language Sciences

2. Admission requirements:

To apply for the research grant, applicants must comply with the following requirements, for which documentary evidence must be provided:

- a) To hold a first degree in the field of Language Sciences, Applied Languages, or related area;
- b) To hold a Master's degree in the field of Language Sciences or a related area that grants access to the Third Cycle Degree (PhD) in Language Sciences of the Faculty of Arts and Humanities of the University of Porto*;
- c) To be enrolled in a PhD in Language Sciences (proof to be provided by the date the contract will be signed);
- d) To reside permanently in Portugal by the start date of the work plan (information to be provided in the letter of motivation).

If the candidate holds a degree awarded by a foreign higher education institution, it must be recognized by a Portuguese higher education institution, in accordance with the provisions of article 25 of Decree-Law no. 66/2018 of 16 August, which approves the legal regime for the recognition of academic degrees and higher education diplomas awarded by foreign higher education institutions and Article 4 (2) (e) of Decree-Law no. 60/2018 of 3 August, and any formalities established therein be fulfilled up to the date of the contracting act.

3. Preferred requirements:

- a) Experience in Language Sciences research projects;
- b) Command of the main methods and techniques of corpora collection, processing and analysis;
- c) Command of the main corpora processing and analysis tools (e.g. Corpógrafo);
- d) Fluent in English (spoken and written).

4. Work plan:

The main activities to be undertaken by the grant-holder include:

- a) To collect, process and analyse corpora, under the supervision of doctoral member(s) of the Centre of Linguistics of the University of Porto;
- b) To annotate corpora, under the supervision of doctoral member(s) of the Centre of Linguistics of the University of Porto;

- c) To contribute to the scientific production of the Centre of Linguistics of the University of Porto;
- d) To support the activities of dissemination of knowledge of the Centre of Linguistics of the University of Porto;
- e) To provide support to the publications of the Centre of Linguistics of the University of Porto;
- f) To support the Steering Committee in preparing applications for research projects.

5. Applicable Legislation and Regulations:

The present call is governed by the FCT Regulations for Research Fellowships approved by the Regulation n.º 950/2019, the Research Fellowship Holder Statute (approved by Law no. 40/2004, of 18th of August, in its current version), the University of Porto Regulations for Research Fellowships approved by the Regulation no. 184/2021 (published in the Series II of the DR, of 3rd March), the Decree-Law No. 66/2018 of 16 August (Legal regime for recognition of academic degrees and higher education diplomas awarded by foreign higher education institutions) and the Code of Administrative Procedure (CPA), approved by Decree-Law No. 4/2015, of January 7.

6. Workplace:

The activities will be conducted at the Faculty of Arts and Humanities of the University of Porto or at other location as may be necessary for the implementation of the work plan, under the scientific supervision of Rui Sousa Silva (Assistant Professor of FLUP and Scientific Coordinator of CLUP) or of doctoral member(s) of CLUP to be designated by him.

7. Duration:

The scholarship will last for 12 (twelve) months. The scholarship contract, on an exclusive basis, can be renewed for periods of 3 (three) months, depending on institutional needs and the availability of financial resources, up to the maximum duration of the project, and may under no circumstances exceed the limits established in the Regulation for this type of scholarship.

8. Monthly maintenance allowance amount:

The monthly maintenance allowance is 1.144,64 €, according to FCT, I.P. (www.fct.pt/apoios/bolsas/valores). Payment will be made by the Faculty of Arts and Humanities of the University of Porto by bank transfer. In addition, the grant holder will be covered by personal accident insurance.

9. Evaluation methods:

Assessment of the curriculum (AC). Additionally, if deemed necessary by the jury, the top three candidates upon the assessment of the curriculum will be called for a selection interview (E). The final ranking will be based on the following formula: $0.7 \times AC + 0.3 \times E$, on a scale of 0 to 20 points. If no interviews are conducted, the final classification will be the same as that obtained in the AC.

Applications considered valid will be scored on a scale of 0 (zero) to 200 (two hundred) points in each of the following evaluation criteria. The following AC criteria and weighting factors apply:

- AC1 - Final grade of the first degree, weighing 15% of the overall grade obtained in the application (the score obtained in this sub-criterion will be calculated by multiplying the grade obtained by the candidate in the first degree by 10 (ten), in case the degree has been awarded on a Portuguese quantitative scale from 0 (zero) to 20 (twenty); candidates applying before completing their degree will be awarded a score of zero points in this sub-criterion;
- AC2 – Final grade of the Master's degree, weighing 30% of the overall grade obtained in the application (the score obtained in this sub-criterion will be calculated by multiplying the grade obtained by the candidate in the Master's degree by 10 (ten), in case the degree has been awarded on a Portuguese quantitative scale from 0 (zero) to 20 (twenty); in the case of qualitative scales used by Portuguese institutions, the jury will proceed to the conversion of the scale from 0 (zero) to 20 (twenty), by applying this multiplication factor;
- AC3 – Curriculum of the candidate, evaluated by the jury by taking into account the CV and the letters of recommendation submitted by the candidate. This criterion will be given a weight of 40% of the overall final grade of the applicant; in this assessment criterion, the jury will give a definite significant weight to the CV, and a lower weight to the letters of recommendation;
- AC4 – Motivation of the candidate: this criterion, which weighs 15% of the overall final score of the application, will be evaluated by the jury based on the motivation letter presented by the candidate;

The evaluation criteria of the selection interview, if applicable, are:

- a) Oral expression (40%);
- b) Participation in academic and non-academic groups and activities (30%)
- c) Fluency in English (30%).

In case of withdrawal of the selected candidate, he/she will be replaced by the next one in the approved final ranking list, which for all purposes constitutes the recruitment reserve list and which will have the duration until June 2023. In the event that none of the candidates demonstrate that they have the profile indicated for carrying out the work plan, the jury reserves the right not to award the scholarship to the competition.

10. Selection panel:

The Selection Panel is composed by the following members:

- Rui Manuel Sousa Silva, Assistant Professor of the Faculty of Arts and Humanities of the University of Porto and Scientific Coordinator of the Centre of the Linguistics of the University of Porto – Chair;
- Isabel Margarida Ribeiro de Oliveira Duarte, Associate Professor with Aggregation of the Faculty of Arts and Humanities of the University of Porto and Researcher of the Centre of Linguistics of the University of Porto – Member;

- João Manuel Pires da Silva e Almeida Veloso, Associate Professor with Aggregation of the Faculty of Arts and Humanities of the University of Porto and Researcher of the Centre of Linguistics of the University of Porto – Member;

The Selection Panel is composed by the following member substitutes:

- Rogélio José Ponce de León Romeo, Associate Professor of the Faculty of Arts and Humanities of the University of Porto and Researcher of the Centre of Linguistics of the University of Porto – Member;
- Maria de Fátima Henriques da Silva, Associate Professor of the Faculty of Arts and Humanities of the University of Porto and Researcher of the Centre of Linguistics of the University of Porto – Member.

11. Disclosure of the results:

Final results will be communicated by email to the address provided by the candidates in the application form (CV/Motivation letter).

In compliance with the provisions of the Article 121 of the Code of Administrative Procedure (“Código do Procedimento Administrativo”), after being notified, candidates have 10 working days to submit a formal rebuttal.

The final decision must be taken within a maximum period of 60 working days after the conclusion of the preliminary hearing of interested parties or of the public consultation.

12. Submission of applications:

The Call for Applications is open until November 17, 2022 (until 23: 59 local time).

Applications must be submitted exclusively on the FLUP website, at the following address: https://sigarra.up.pt/flup/pt/cnt_cand_geral.concursos_list (Ref. 2022/60). The following documents are mandatory, under penalty of exclusion from the Call:

- Curriculum Vitae of the candidate;
- Certificates of qualification of the academic degrees gained, specifying the final grade and, if possible, the grades obtained in all course units taken, or, alternatively, a declaration of honour signed by the candidate that he/she has completed the first or Master's degree by the end of the application deadline;
- Formal recognition of academic degrees awarded by foreign higher education institutions and registration of the conversion of the respective final classification to the Portuguese classification scale, or, alternatively, declaration of honour signed by the candidate that he/she has obtained recognition of the foreign first or Master's degree, to be submitted by the date of signing the contract;
- Proof of enrolment in a PhD in Language Sciences, to be delivered by the date of signing the contract;
- Motivation letter;
- Letters of recommendation (two).

The application and all other required documents, including the letters of motivation and recommendation, must be written in Portuguese or in English.

Documents must be attached directly to the application message, without links to external platforms/drives. In order to guarantee the reading of all documents, the preferred recording format is the Portable Document Format (.pdf). Files must be named with the candidate's first and last name and must not exceed 5 MB, as a whole. These can be compressed in .zip format.

13. The University of Porto actively promotes a policy of non-discrimination and equal access so that no applicant may be privileged, benefited, damaged, 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 heritage, reduced work capacity, disability, chronic disease, nationality, ethnic origin, territory of origin, language, religion, political or ideological convictions, and trade union membership.