



UNIVERSIDADE DE COIMBRA

## Announcement Application for Doctoral Scholarships

The [Doctoral Programme in Materialities Literature](#) at the University of Coimbra was selected for funding by the Foundation for Science and Technology, IP (FCT-IP), and will award five doctoral scholarships in the academic year 2017-2018.<sup>1</sup> The Directive Committee of the Programme will be responsible for selecting the candidates who will be awarded the scholarships funded by FCT-IP. The awarded candidates will contract their scholarships directly with the FCT. Thus, under the Statute of Scientific Research Fellow, approved by Law n° 40/2004 of August 18, in its current wording, and Regulation for Scholarships of the Foundation for Science and Technology, the Directive Committee calls for applications:

### DOCTORAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Five doctoral scholarships are awarded. These scholarships are intended for those who meet the conditions specified in clause 1 of Article 30° of [Decree-Law N° 74/2006](#), of March 24, in its current wording. The duration of the scholarship is annual, renewable up to a maximum of four years, and it cannot be awarded for periods of less than six consecutive months.

### RECIPIENTS

This call for applications is open to:

- 1) Portuguese nationals or citizens of other member states of the European Union;
- 2) Nationals of third states, when ranking criteria include an individual interview;
- 3) Portuguese nationals or foreign citizens who have permanent residence in Portugal for scholarships whose working plan takes place wholly or partly in foreign institutions.

Candidates should hold the necessary level of academic qualifications to allow them to be admitted into a doctoral programme, as defined by the application requirements.

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<sup>1</sup> This edition of the Programme will start in the second semester of the 2017-2018 academic year, and it is expected that seminars will begin in March 2018.

Citizens who have previously been awarded similar grants for the same purpose by the FCT are not eligible to apply.

### APPLICATION DEADLINE

Applications are open from 8-31 January, 2018.

### APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applications must contain the following documents:

- 1) Copy of identification document, certificate of permanent residence, authorization for permanent residence or status of long term resident, if applicable;
- 2) Letter of motivation;
- 3) Curriculum Vitae;
- 4) Certified copy of certificates for all degrees obtained, containing the final average for the degree and final grades for all courses taken;
- 5) Copy of a published research paper, if applicable;
- 6) Summary of a preliminary PhD thesis project (maximum 2500 words, with an additional list of up to 20 relevant bibliographic references) - this preliminary project must be related to one of the three major research topics in the Programme: "*Ex Machina: Inscription and Literature*" (see <http://www.uc.pt/fluc/clp/inv/proj/meddig/exmach>); "*Vox Media: Sound in Literature*" (see <http://www.uc.pt/fluc/clp/inv/proj/meddig/voxmed>); or "*ReCodex: Forms and Transformations of the Book*" (see <http://www.uc.pt/fluc/clp/inv/proj/meddig/recod>).
- 7) Document certifying knowledge of English equivalent to at least level B2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages;
- 8) Statement about the candidate's current professional situation, indicating the nature of working contract, job description and average teaching load (if applicable). This document may be replaced by a declaration under oath in case the candidate has no contracted or self-employed professional activity.

Applications for the Doctoral Programme in Materialities of Literature are made through the University of Coimbra application system: <http://www.uc.pt/candidatos/online> Applications for the Programme are open January 8-31, 2018.

### MEMBERS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION COMMITTEE

Professor Manuel José Freitas Portela, Professor António Joaquim Coelho Sousa Ribeiro and Professor Osvaldo Manuel Alves Pereira Silvestre. Alternate member: Professor Paulo Jorge da Silva Pereira.

## EVALUATION

Evaluation of applications is made according to the terms of this announcement, weighing up the assessment factors and producing an ordered list of candidates. The following criteria will be used for grading candidates:

- 1) Grades obtained in BA and MA degrees (30%);
- 2) Scientific merit of the candidate's preliminary project (30%);
- 3) Specific qualifications relevant to the scientific field of the Programme (10%);
- 4) Scientific curriculum (10%);
- 5) Professional curriculum (10%);
- 6) Interview (10%).

*Note 1:* Interviews will take place in the first half of February. Candidates will be notified by e-mail about the schedule for interviews. If unable to attend, interviews will be conducted via teleconference.

*Note 2:* Scholarships will be awarded to the first five candidates in the ranking. The selection committee reserves the right not to award the scholarship if the final grading of the candidate or candidates is lower than 16 (sixteen).

## PUBLICATION OF RESULTS

The evaluation results will be announced within 30 days after the deadline for submission of applications. Candidates will be notified via email. The results will also be publicly available on the website of CLP in <http://www.uc.pt/fluc/clp/inv/bols>. After disclosure of the results, candidates should be considered automatically notified for presenting any claim in a preliminary hearing within 10 working days, as established in the Administrative Procedure Code. An appeal concerning the final decision may be brought to the Directive Committee within 15 working days after notification of the results.

## FINANCING

The grants awarded under this scholarship application will be financed by funds from the State Budget of the [Ministry of Science, Technology, and Higher Education](#) and, when eligible, from the [European Social Fund](#) through the [Operational Programme HUMAN CAPITAL](#) of [Portugal 2020](#) 2014-2020.

For all matters not referred to in this Announcement, the Regulation for Scholarships of the Foundation for Science and Technology applies (Regulation N° 234/2012, of June 25, revised by Regulation n° 326/2013, of August 27, and by Regulation n° 339/2015, of June 17), available at <http://www.fct.pt/apoios/bolsas/regulamento.phtml>

## NOTE

Scholarships will not be awarded to candidates who are in situation of unjustified breach of the obligations of the grantee under any previous grant contract funded directly or indirectly by the FCT, namely when final or interim reports have not been delivered or when funds whose refund is due under applicable law or regulation have not been returned.

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