



NOTICE FOR THE AWARD OF A RESEARCH GRANT

Title: PhD Research Grant, 1 vacancy

Reference: FLEE-ASSET-BD/2024(1)

Ad summary:

A call for applications is open for a PhD research grant under the R&D project FLEE-ASSET Fighting Labor Exploitation through Education - Agricultural Sector Specialist Training, financed by European funds through the European Commission - Erasmus+ Program under the following conditions:

Scientific Area: Social Sciences

Recipient category: Doctoral students

Scholarship requirements:

- Candidates may apply without prior enrollment in the course for which the scholarship is open. The requirement to be enrolled on a degree course will be verified on the date the scholarship is awarded.
- Scholarships will only be awarded if the successful candidates present valid proof of enrolment on the degree course, issued by the academic services of the Higher Education Institution, indicating the academic year in progress.

Profile of recipients:

- a) Bachelor's and/or Master's degree in Law, Criminology, Psychology or Sociology, with research experience; experience in collecting and organizing data; good legal knowledge (for candidates without a law degree); good command of the English language.
- b) requirements in the process of being contracted, such as, for example, enrolment on a doctorate in the Social Sciences; proof of academic qualifications completed by the closing date for applications, including those resulting from academic degree recognition processes;
- c) preferential factors: command of the Spanish language, experience in preparing training materials (online and offline)

Eligibility of candidates: Candidates must meet the eligibility conditions set out in Article 9 of the FCT I.P. Research Grant Regulations (2019).

Work plan and objectives to be achieved:

Describe the activities to be carried out as part of the project; objectives to be achieved and evaluation criteria.

Note:

- 1. Preparation and organization of data collection;
- Construction of databases and analysis of quantitative and qualitative data using appropriate software;
- 3. Presenting normative frameworks in a coherent, rigorous, organized and appealing manner;
- 4. Preparation of a manual for training various agents in the areas of labor exploitation and trafficking;
- 5. Preparation of a MOOC (Massive Open Online Course);
- 6. Participation in team meetings and writing of technical-scientific reports;
- 7. Participation in actions to disseminate the project's results.

Applicable legislation and regulations: Research Grant Holder Statute (EBI), approved by Law no. 40/2004 of August 18, in the current wording published by Decree-Law no. 123/2019 of August 28; University of Minho Research Grant Regulations, published in Diário da República, 2. § série, n.º 119, order n.º 6524/2020 of 22-06-2020, rectified by declaration of rectification n.º 447/2021 of 22-06-2021 and Regulation of Research Grants, n.º 950/2019 of 16-12-2019, of the Foundation for Science and Technology, I.P. - in force.

Host/contracting entity and scientific guidance: The work plan will be developed at JusGov (University of Minho), at the School of Law of the University of Minho, under the scientific guidance of Professors Andreia Sofia Pinto Oliveira, Margarida Santos, Marlene Matos and Teresa Coelho Moreira.

Duration of the scholarship(s): The scholarship will last for 20 months, starting in June 2024, and is non-renewable.

Amount of the monthly maintenance allowance: The amount of the MMS corresponds to 1259.64/month, according to the table of values of FCT, I.P. scholarships in Portugal (Annex I - Table of monthly maintenance allowances of the FCT I. P. Research Scholarship Regulations). P) and Annex II of the University of Minho's Research Scholarship Regulations, published in Diário da República, 2nd series, no. 119, order no. 6524/2020 of 22-06-2020, rectified by declaration of rectification no. 447/2021 of 22-06-2021, in accordance with the applicable regulations.

Payment is made by the 23rd of each month, by transfer to the NIB of the scholarship holder indicated in the contractualization process.

Other scholarship components: (define other scholarship components, as provided for in article 18 of the FCT Research Regulations (RBI) or article 21 of the University of Minho Scientific Research Scholarship Regulations (RBIC).

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

Exclusive regime: The performance of duties as a grant holder is carried out on an exclusive basis, under the terms of article 5 of the Research Grant Holder Statute and applicable research grant regulations.

Composition of the Selection Panel:

President:

Andreia Sofia Pinto Oliveira, Assistant Professor with habilitation at School of Law, University of Minho;

Members:

Marlene Alexandra Veloso Matos, Associate Professor with habilitation at the School of Psychology of the University of Minho;

Teresa Alexandra Coelho Moreira, Associate Professor with habilitation at School of Law, University of Minho;

Alternate members:

Margarida Maria Oliveira Santos, Assistant Professor, University of Minho School of Law;

Fernando Eduardo Conde Monteiro, Associate Professor, University of Minho School of Law.

In the event of the Chairman of the Jury being prevented from attending, he will be replaced by the first member, and the alternate member will be appointed to replace the member.

Evaluation and selection criteria and procedures: The evaluation of applications will focus on the merit of the candidate, applying the following evaluation criteria, valued on a scale of 0 to 20:

- A) Curriculum Assessment (CA)
- B) Selection Interview (ES)

CF=AC*60%+ES*40%

Note: Only the three candidates with the best CVs will be called for interview.

Documents proving that you hold academic degrees and diplomas, or that they have been recognized when awarded by foreign higher education institutions, may be waived at the application stage and replaced by a declaration of honor from the candidate, and this condition will only be verified at the scholarship contracting stage. This declaration must attest to facts that occurred prior to the application. In the event of a discrepancy between the information contained in the declaration and the documentation submitted for the purposes of contracting the scholarship, only the information contained in the latter will be taken into account. If it is found that the documents proving the academic degree and diploma, or their recognition under the terms of Decree-Law no. 66/2018, of August 16, do not correspond to the classifications awarded in the assessment of the academic pathway and could consequently alter the candidate's ranking, the scholarship will not be contracted.

Note: Candidates with degrees obtained abroad must present proof of recognition of the qualifications in Portugal and conversion of the final classification obtained in them to the Portuguese classification scale or a declaration under the terms indicated in the previous point. Candidates who do not comply with one of these provisions will be given a mark of "0" for their bachelor's and/or master's degree. Candidates will be assessed on the remaining parameters.

Dissemination of results: The draft results of the evaluation, substantiated in the minutes, will be sent to the candidates by email, under the terms of article 12 of the FCT RBI (FCT funding) article 13 of the UMinho RBIC (other funding subject to UMinho regulations).

If the result is unfavorable to the granting of the requested scholarship, the candidates have a period of 10 working days to express their opinion, if they wish, in a prior hearing for interested parties, under the terms of articles 121 and 122 of the Code of Administrative Procedure (DL no. 4/2015 of January 7).

Complaint and appeal procedures: The final results of the assessment will be published by means of an ordered list (alphabetically, by final grade obtained), displayed in a visible and public place in the host Unit, as well as by email to all candidates, attaching, for this purpose, the minutes with the jury's deliberations.

The selected candidate must express their intention to accept the scholarship in writing. In the event of non-acceptance, the grant will be awarded to the candidate in order of final ranking.

An appeal may be lodged against the final decision within 15 working days, addressed to the President of the Jury. Interested parties may also submit an optional hierarchical appeal, under the terms of article 15.2 of the UMinho RBIC.

Application deadline and form of submission: The competition is open from April 8th to 22nd.

Applications must be formalized by sending a letter of application accompanied by the following documents: curriculum vitae; certificate of qualifications or statement by the candidate; letter of motivation; statement proving that you meet the conditions for the type of scholarship, in accordance with the application requirements; other documents relevant to the evaluation process).

Applications should be sent by email to jusgov@direito.uminho.pt, indicating the competition reference in the subject line. Applications sent by other means will not be accepted.

Contractualization of the grant: The grant is awarded through the signing of a contract between the University of Minho and the grant holder, in accordance with the draft contract (Annex IV of the Regulations for Scientific Research Grants of the University of Minho - order no. 6524/2020 of 22-06-2020, rectified by declaration of rectification no. 444/2021 of 22-06-2021).

447/2021 de 22-06-2021) in its updated version in accordance with point 2.4 of the "Normas para Atribuição e Gestão de Bolsas no âmbito de Projetos de I&D, incluindo projetos de infraestruturas, do programa de financiamento plurianual d unidades de I&D e de outros instrumentos de financiamento da FCT (Versão 2021)".

The contract can only be signed once all the required documentation has been received, depending on the type of grant, which must take place within a maximum of 6 months [including proof of academic degrees or diplomas and enrolment in study cycles or non-degree courses, depending on the type of grant].

Once all the documentation has been received, the contracting authority has 60 working days to conclude the scholarship contract [in the case of scholarship contracts under UMinho's RBIC, the deadline is 15 working days, in accordance with Article 15(2)]. Once received by the grant holder, he/she must return the duly signed contract within 15 working days.

Scholarship contracts can only begin once they have been duly authorized by the contracting authority.

Termination and cancellation of scholarship contracts: Without prejudice to the other causes provided for in the applicable scholarship regulations (FCT and UMinho) and in the Research Fellow Statute, the scholarship ends with the completion of the contracted work plan, as well as with the expiry of the period for which it was granted or renewed.

At the end of the grant, the grant holder is obliged to submit the Final Report on the work carried out, in accordance with the objectives and evaluation criteria defined with the scientific advisor, within 30 days of the end of the grant.

The final report must be drawn up in accordance with Annex I of the University of Minho's Scientific Research Scholarship Regulations - order no. 6524/2020 of 22-06-2020, rectified by declaration of rectification no. 447/2021 of 22-06-2021.

Declaration of Honor

Academic qualifications

I, (full name), candidate for the vacancy for the award of a (type of scholarship), within the scope of the project (name or reference of the project), published on the Euraxess Portal, with the reference (ref. notice), declare on my honor that I have completed the academic degree of

(academic degree), qualifying for the type of scholarship in the competition, namely the course (designation), by the (degree conferring university), on the date XX/XX/XXXX , with a final average of XXXXX values on the YY scale.

As it is not possible for me to present proof of my qualifications until the end of the competition, I declare that I undertake to present this certificate when the scholarship contract is signed, in the event that I am selected for the vacancy in the competition.

This declaration is true, dated and signed by me.	
(Place), (date).	
(full name)	