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Coimbra Group Scholarship Programme for Young Professors and Researchers from Latin American Universities 2020

The "Coimbra Group Scholarship Programme for Young Professors and Researchers from Latin American Universities" was launched for the first time in January 2004. This initiative, which offers grants to finance short-term research visits, aims at favouring mobility and academic exchange between the two regions, Europe and Latin America.

The Coimbra Group is an association of 39 European universities which promotes exchanges between European and Latin American researchers and academics. This call for applications for research visit grants is one of the ways in which exchanges are supported.

The following Coimbra Group universities are participating in the 2020/2021 edition of the scholarship programme:

- University of Coimbra (Portugal)
- University of Granada (Spain)
- Karl Franz University of Graz (Austria)
- Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași (Romania)
- Friedrich Schiller University Jena (Germany)
- Jagiellonian University Krakow (Poland)
- KU Leuven (Belgium)
- University of Padova (Italy)
- University of Pavia (Italy)
- University of Poitiers (France)
- University of Salamanca (Spain)
- University of Siena (Italy)
- University of Tartu (Estonia)

RULES

1. Requirements for the applicants

- 1.1. To be a **national of and currently resident** in a Latin American country. Candidates already living and/or studying in Europe will not be considered.
- 1.2. To hold a university degree or equivalent.
- 1.3. To be linked as a **professor or researcher** to a Latin American University recognised as such by the authorities of the country.
- 1.4. To use the Coimbra Group Office electronic application process. **Only one application per candidate will be accepted.**
- 1.5. To submit online an **Acceptance Letter/email** from the tutor/partner with whom the work programme will be undertaken in the host institution. This document is **mandatory**.
- 1.6. To be **born on or after 1 January 1980**.
- 1.7. Previously selected candidates can apply for a second grant, but they will not be prioritised.

2. Submission of Applications

The online application is available until **30 April 2020 midnight (Brussels time)** on the Coimbra Group web site: (<http://www.coimbra-group.eu/activities/scholarships>). Applications should be submitted in English, but we will accept applications in Spanish when applying to the Universities of Granada and Salamanca and in Portuguese when applying to the University of Coimbra. No other language exceptions will be accepted.



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The Coimbra Group Office will individually acknowledge each application received. Within two weeks of submitting the online application, you should receive an email from the Coimbra Group Office confirming whether your application has been validated or not. This will be your only acknowledgement of receipt. If you do not receive the confirmation message it means that your application was not submitted correctly or there was a technical problem. In that case, please contact info@coimbra-group.eu, **no later than 15 May 2020**.

The dates and the structure of the visit which will be carried out in the academic year 2020-2021 at the host university will be agreed upon with the host tutor/partner university. All practical details concerning the mobility period, scholarship payment, certificates and visa procedures should be discussed with the host university and **not with the Coimbra Group Office**.

SELECTION PROCEDURE

The **administrative check of applications will be undertaken by the Coimbra Group Office** in order to select candidates who meet the eligibility criteria. The **selection of candidates will be undertaken by the host universities**. The Coimbra Group Office will **contact all candidates** and inform them about the result of their application by the end of June 2020. Successful candidates currently employed by a University are responsible for ensuring that their home institution will grant them leave of absence to undertake the proposed visit.

The final selection will be made in accordance with the following criteria:

- Academic skills of the applicant
- Experience as a professor or/and researcher
- Curriculum Vitae assessment
- Coherence between the programme proposed by the applicant and his/her academic background and experience
- Immediate benefits of the research visit for the academic and scientific future of the candidate and of the participating institutions

OBLIGATIONS OF THE GRANT HOLDER

- Comply with the legal requirements (in terms of insurance, visa, etc.) of the host country.
- Send to the Coimbra Group Office a letter/email of acceptance of the scholarship on the conditions offered by the university at which he/she was accepted and with the benefits outlined in this Call for Applications.
- Include a mention of the Coimbra Group Scholarship whenever results of the research programme are published.

When submitting an application for a Coimbra Group scholarship, the candidate agrees to allow the Coimbra Group to use their data (name, surname, academic information) for dissemination purposes in connection with the Coimbra Group scholarships.

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The Coimbra Group

The Coimbra Group, which was set up in 1987, is an association of 39 traditional European universities. It aims to increase co-operation amongst its members by enhancing special academic and cultural ties, and creating channels of information and exchange. More information about the Coimbra Group can be found on the association's website (www.coimbra-group.eu). Further details about the universities taking part in the Scholarship Programme for Young Professors and Researchers from Latin American Universities may be found by viewing their own web site at the addresses included in the table below.



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Please refer to the table below for the specific conditions set by each Coimbra Group University participating in the Scholarship Programme.

University	Scholarships	Field	Amount	Duration	Contact	Remarks
University of Coimbra www.uc.pt	1	All	€750 per month + €1.100 of travel support	1-3 months	International Relations Unit: Sofia Jesus sofia.jesus@uc.pt	<p>"Invitation letter Applicants will need an invitation letter/email from a professor/ researcher of the University of Coimbra (UC). Please take a look at our research centres' list: www.uc.pt/en/iii/research_centers/centros_investigacao and check if the research lines developed match yours. If so, contact the relevant potential host research supervisor by email. Emails to potential host research supervisors must include CV and research proposals, including topics and dates (based on the duration of the scholarship), so that the potential host supervisors can better analyze the requests and issue you an invitation letter/email, in case they're available to host you.</p> <p>The International Relations Unit cannot issue invitation letters for research purposes.</p> <p>Evaluation and selection criteria Please download this file: www.uc.pt/en/driic/cg/cg2020/latin-america-evaluation-selection-criteria.pdf</p>
University of Granada www.ugr.es www.ugr.university/	4	All	700€ per month + health insurance + travel expenses up to 800€ will be reimbursed	up to 3 months	Ms María Virtudes Martín Fernández. admoncicode@ugr.es	<p>The University of Granada does not provide accommodation to the grant holder. A pre-admission letter signed by the research tutor at UGR is mandatory in order to be eligible for the grant at our University, which means that the candidate should have prior contact with the UGR professors/officers before applying for the grant.</p>
University of Graz http://www.uni-graz.at/en/	2	All except Molecular Biosciences	1.000 EUR per month Travel expenses: 600 EUR	2 months	coimbragroup@uni-graz.at	<p>Access to computer and library. Uni Graz will provide assistance in finding accommodation. Uni Graz does not provide insurance for visitors. Applicants should establish contact with a supervising professor at the University of Graz before applying and submit a letter of invitation or email correspondence together with the application. https://www.uni-graz.at/en/university/information/faculties/</p>
University of Iasi http://www.uaic.ro/	1	All study fields included in the academic offer of the University	Reimbursement of travel costs up to 600 Euro, free accommodation in a University residence and a monthly scholarship of 1500 RON	minimum 1 month, maximum 3 months	Ioana Serafinceanu, ioana.serafinceanu@uaic.ro	<p>Eligible countries: Argentina, Chile, Uruguay</p>
University of Jena https://www.uni-jena.de/	2 (for post-doctoral researchers)	All	€1200 per month	3 months (in the period September-December 2020)	Mrs Susanne Golz gawi@uni-jena.de	<p>Applicants will need a pre-acceptance letter by a Jena University professor, which means that the candidates should contact the prospective supervisor by themselves. Please check the websites of the faculties to find out the research field of the professors and contact him/her by sending a CV and research plan/proposal. The pre-acceptance letter/ mail must be uploaded to the application. * Facilities: Access to computer centre and library The university will provide assistance in finding accommodation.</p>



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Jagiellonian University Krakow https://www.uj.edu.pl/	3	All (except from the Medical School)	1500 EUR per month	1 month	Carlos Panek carlos.panek@uj.edu.pl	All countries with priority to Mexico, Peru, Brazil, Chile, Argentina The University does not provide any extra funds for travel costs or insurance for visitor. Applicants should establish contact with a supervising professor at the university before applying and submit a letter of invitation together with the application. When contacting the potential host, it is required to include a CV and research plan/proposal.
KU Leuven www.kuleuven.be	4	All	3200 euro to cover all costs	2 months	Laura Lenssen laura.lenssen@kuleuven.be	Applicants are postdoctoral; Applicants need to include a pre-acceptance letter signed by a KU Leuven professor, supporting the application as prospective supervisor; The university will provide assistance in finding accommodation, office space (shared with others), computer and library access; The scholarship is incompatible with other scholarships/grants/allowances
University of Padova www.unipd.it	2	All	Lump sum) 1 month: 2000€- 2 months: 2800€ - 3 months: 3600€	from 1 to 3 months (September 2020- June 2021)	Fiorlla De Gobbi fiorella.degobbi@unipd.it	The University insurance covers the academic activities. Visitors should have their own insurance to cover travel, stay health and personal property Applicants should also have received approval by their tutor in Padova before applying (please include a letter/email from your potential tutor/supervisor at the University of Padova as proof)
University of Pavia http://www.unipv.eu/site/home.html	1	All fields offered at University of Pavia	150,00 € per week - board and accommodation at a university student residence - travel costs (economy class) - health insurance policy	From 4 to 12 weeks	Stefania Ferrari stefania.ferrari01@unipv.it	Applicants should belong to higher education institutions, research centers, international institutions or organization, with a particular interest in the fields of study related to cooperation and development. Applicants should have received approval by their tutor in Pavia before applying (it is mandatory to include an invitation letter from a potential tutor/supervisor at the University of Pavia). CICOPS can help candidates to get in touch with professors/researchers of the University of Pavia who may have similar interests and may be willing to collaborate with them. Flight tickets and health insurance policy will be issued directly by University of Pavia.
University of Poitiers www.univ-poitiers.fr	1	All	1000€ + reimbursement of travel expenses up to 700€	1 month	Jean-Marie Pincemin jean.marie.pincemin@univpoitiers.fr	
University of Salamanca www.usal.es/webusalsal	2	All	1.100 €/month The University is unable to assist with the costs of travel.	4 months maximum	Servicio de Relaciones Internacionales rrii@usal.es	The International Relations Office cannot issue invitation letters for research purposes. Applicants will need an invitation letter/email from a professor/researcher of the University of Salamanca (USAL). Please, find all the Departments and Research Institutes of the USAL at http://www.usal.es/departamentos and https://investigacion.usal.es/es/empresas/gir



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University of Siena www.unisi.it	2	Any subject area, subject to the approval of the relevant host department	1,000.00 Euro/month (250.00 Euro/week); free board and lodging The University is unable to assist with the cost of travel.	minimum 2 weeks, maximum 4 weeks.	Candida Calvo Vicente incoming@unisi.it	When contacting the potential host, please include a CV and a research plan/proposal. Insurance: USAL does not provide insurance for visitors. Access to computer and libraries. Assistance with finding accommodation, access to libraries, computer and telephone. Insurance: The University provides accident insurance and public liability insurance. Visitors will require their own health insurance. Please note: Applicants should have received approval by the tutor at the host university before applying (please include a letter/email from your potential supervisor at the University of Siena as proof).
University of Tartu http://www.ut.ee	1	Any field, subject to approval from the Head of Department	A fellowship of 2600 EUR (includes partial reimbursement of travel expenses)	2 months, however the scholarships can only be consumed in 2020	Sirje Üprus Sirje.Uprus@ut.ee	Valid health insurance is needed Applicant should be PhD student. Applicants will need a pre-acceptance letter from a Professor in the University of Tartu; candidates are asked to contact the prospective supervisor directly by sending a CV and research plan/proposal. For research areas and contact information please check the websites of the respective Faculties. The pre-acceptance letter must be uploaded to the application. Access to computer and library facilities https://www.ut.ee/en/admissions