

ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE AWARD OF A RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

3 research fellowships BI, reference Lab2PT/UIDP-04509/37

A call for applications is now open for the attribution of 3 (three) research fellowships for Master Students in the area of History, sub-area of Contemporary History within the scope of the R&D project “As imagens e as coisas: agitação e propaganda em tempos de guerra fria e revolução africana – Portugal e os PALOP (1961-1991) – AgitProp” of Landscape, Heritage and Territory Laboratory (Lab2PT), Ref. UIDP/04509/2020, financed by national funds (PIDDAC) through FCT/MCTES, under the following conditions:

Scientific Area: History

Recipient category: Master Students in the area of History

Requirement for granting the fellowship:

- The applicants may apply without prior registration in the course for which the fellowship is open. The requirement to enroll in a degree course or non-academic degree course will be verified on the date of contracting the fellowship;
- Only fellowships whose selected applicants present a valid proof of enrollment in a degree course or non-academic degree course will be contracted, according to the type of the fellowship, issued by the academic services of the Higher Education Institution, indicating, respectively, the academic year or its duration (star and term).

Candidate’s profile:

Candidates must, on the date of the application, hold a bachelor degree, in the scientific area of History. They must also have:

- Solid knowledge of the socio-political dynamics of twentieth-century history;
- Research experience in contemporary physical and digital repositories;
- Investigation practice in the context of the analysis of contemporary documentary materials;
- Skills in the construction of databases and in the production of quantitative indicators and graphs;
- Ability to work in a team.

Applicants eligibility: Applicants must comply with the eligibility conditions laid down in article 9 of the Research Grants Regulation of the Portuguese Foundation for Science and Technology (2019).

Workplan and objectives to be achieved:

The fellowship holders will carry out research and investigation activities within the scope of the research “As imagens e as coisas: agitação e propaganda em tempos de guerra fria e revolução africana – Portugal e os PALOP (1961-1991) – AgitProp”. Among the most relevant operations are: 1. Survey of sources and systematization in databases, based on the analysis of publications and various visual material; 2. Bibliographic review and systematization according to privileged thematic topics; 3. Conducting and transcribing interviews; 4. Support to operations oriented to the creation of a website for the dissemination of results; 5. Support for the organization of seminars for the dissemination of results.

The fellowship holders will be part of an interdisciplinary team composed of researchers and PhD students oriented towards enumerating the privileged topics of political communication and propaganda in the spectrum of ideologies and political movements present, in the time frame under study. The research is framed in privileged terms in the research axes of the SpaceR group, of Lab2PT. The knowledge and skills fostered within the scope of the research grant contribute to the consolidation of the scientific training of the fellowship holder within the framework of the master's degree attended. Hence the importance of the candidate demonstrating in the Motivation Letter the relevance of his/her scientific, academic and personal career within the scope of this project.

Applicable legislation and regulations: Research Fellowship Holder Statutes, approved by Law no. 40/2004 of August 18, in its current version published by Decree-Law no. 123/2019 of August 28; Regulation of Scientific Research Fellowships of the University of Minho (RBIC), published in “Diário da República”, 2nd serie, no. 119, through dispatch no. 6524/2020 of 22-06-2020, ratified by ratification declaration no. 447/2021 of 22-06-2021 and Regulation of Research Studentships and Fellowships (RBI), n.º 950/2019 de 16-12-2019, of the Foundation for Science and Technology, I.P. - in force.

Host/Contracting institution and scientific supervision: The workplan will be carried out at the premises of Landscape, Heritage and Territory Laboratory of Universidade do Minho, on the *Campi* of Azurém/Gualtar, under the scientific guidance of Professora Fátima Moura Ferreira, Professor Francisco de Azevedo Mendes, Professor Bruno Madeira and Professora Susana Gaudêncio.

Fellowship duration: The grants will take place for a period of 6 (six) months, with a provisional starting date on the July 2024, non-renewable.

Amount of the research grant: The value stipend (Monthly Maintenance Allowance) is 990,98€ per month, in accordance with the stipends values published by the Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT I.P.) in the country (Annex I – Monthly Stipends Values for the maintenance allowances of the [FCT Regulation for Research Studentships and Fellowships](#)) and Annex II of the Regulation of Scientific Research Fellowships of the University of Minho (RBIC), published in “Diário da República”, 2nd serie, no. 119, through dispatch no. 6524/2020 of 22-06-2020, ratified by ratification declaration no. 447/2021 of 22-06-2021, according to the applicable regulation.

Payment is made on the 23st of each month, through bank transfer to the Bank Identification Number of the fellow identified in the contractualization process.

Other benefits: Reimbursement of Voluntary Social Security (Social Security contributions), corresponding to the 1st level of discounts (*for research grants with a total duration 6 months or higher*) and personal accident insurance.

Exclusivity regime: The grantee will perform the activities under exclusivity, as foreseen in article 5º of the Research Fellow Statutes and applicable regulations.

Selection panel:

President

Maria de Fátima da Cunha de Moura Ferreira, Associate Professor of the Instituto de Ciências Sociais of the Universidade do Minho

Effective vowels

Bruno Tiago de Jesus Madeira, Invited Professor Equal to Assistant Professor of the Instituto de Ciências Sociais of the Universidade do Minho

Susana Gaudêncio, Assistant Professor of the Escola de Arquitetura, Arte e Design of the Universidade do Minho

Substitute vowels

Francisco Manuel Ferreira Azevedo Mendes, Assistant Professor of the Instituto de Ciências Sociais of the Universidade do Minho

João Paulo Cabeleira Marques Coelho, Associate Professor of the Escola de Arquitetura, Arte e Design of the Universidade do Minho

In the event of impediment by the President of the Jury, he will be replaced by the first effective vowel, and the substitute vowel will be appointed to replace the effective vowel.

Criteria and procedures for applications assessment and selection: The applications assessment will focus on the candidate's Merit, following evaluation criteria, valued on a scale of 1 to 20 values:

Applicant Merit - AM (100%):

- a) Academic path (considering the classifications of academic degrees), with a weighting of 40%;
- b) Personal curriculum (considering professional and scientific background), with a weighting of 40%;
- c) Motivation letter, with a weighting of 20%.

The final classification of the applicant's merit will be achieved through the following formula:

$$MC=(a*0,4) + (b*0,4) + (c*0,2)$$

The jury reserves itself the right not to grant the fellowship if there are no candidates with the appropriate profile for the tender.

The academic degrees and diplomas documents, or their respective recognition when awarded by foreign higher education institutions are not mandatory in the application phase, being replaced by a declaration of honor of the candidate with the contents of academic results. The documents of academic qualification or respective recognition will be required in the contracting phase and must attest facts that occurred on a date prior to the application. In situations of divergence between the information contained in the declaration and the documentation submitted for contracting the grant, only the information contained in the latter will be consider. If the documents proving the

ownership of the academic degree and diploma, or the respective recognition under the terms of Decree-Law No. 66/2018, of August 16, do not correspond to the classifications awarded in the evaluation of the academic path, which can change the candidate's ranking, the fellowship won't be contracted.

Notes: *Applicants with degrees obtained abroad must present proof of recognition of qualifications in Portugal and conversion of the final classification obtained in them to the Portuguese classification scale or declaration under the terms indicated in the previous point. Candidates who do not comply with one of these provisions, the selection panel will assign "0" in the grade of the graduation and/or master course. Candidates will be evaluated on the remaining parameters.*

Disclosure of results: The provisional results of applications, based in the selection panel minutes, will be send to the applicants by email until 90 working days from the applications deadline.

If case of unfavourable results, the candidates have a period of 10 working days to comment, if desired, in a prior hearing to interested parties, pursuant to articles 121 and 122 of the Code of Administrative Procedure (DL no. 4 / 2015 of January 7th).

[The hearing of the interested parties, if excluded, should be justified accordingly with article 124° of CPA]

Complaint and appeal procedures: The final results of the evaluation will be published through an ordered list (*alphabetically, by final grade obtained*), posted in a visible and public place of the host unit, as well as by email to all applicants, enclosing for that purpose, the minutes of the jury deliberations.

The selected candidate must inform its willingness to accept the grant, in writing. In case of rejection, the fellowship will be awarded to the next candidate in the ordered list of applicants.

The final decision can be contested within 15 working days, by sending to the President of the jury the corresponding claim. Interested parties may also submit an optional hierarchical appeal, in the terms of the number 3 of article 13 of Regulation of Scientific Research Fellowships of the University of Minho (RBIC).

Application deadline and submission: The call for applications is open from 02/05/2024 until 15/05/2024.

Applications must be formalized, mandatorily, by sending an email accompanied by the following documents:

- a) Candidate's detailed curriculum vitae;
- b) Qualification certificate(s) mandatorily specifying the final classification and, if possible, the classification obtained in all subjects taken, or, in alternative, a declaration of honour by the candidate.
- c) For degrees obtained abroad, registration of recognition of academic degrees granted by foreign higher education institutions and registration of the conversion of the respective final classification to the Portuguese classification scale, or, alternatively, a declaration of honour by the candidate;
- d) Motivation letter.

Applications must be sent by email to info@lab2pt.uminho.pt, indicating the reference of the call for applications in Subject "Lab2PT/UIDP-04509/37". Applications submitted by other means will not be accepted.

Fellowship contractualization: The fellowship will be attributed by signing a fellowship contract between the University of Minho and the fellow, accordingly with the contract minute (annex IV of the Regulation of Research Fellowships of the University of Minho (RBIC), published in *Diário da República, 2nd Série, no. 119*, through dispatch no. 6524/2020 of 22-06-2020, ratified by ratification declaration no. 447/2021 of 22-06-2021, as indicated in 2.4 of the FCT document: "[Rules for Granting and Management of Grants within the scope of R&D projects, including infrastructure projects, the multi-annual financing program for R&D units and other FCT financing instruments \(Version 2021\)](#)".

The contract may only be concluded after all the documentation required is collected, which must take place within a maximum period of 6 months [including evidences of the academic degrees or diplomas and enrolment in degree courses or non-conferring courses, depending on the type of scholarship].

Once all the documentation has been received, the contracting entity has a period of 60 working days to conclude the scholarship contract. Once received, the fellow must return the contract duly signed within 15 working days.

The activities under the fellowship contract can only began after proper authorization by the contracting entity.

Term and cancellation of fellowship contracts: Without prejudice to the other causes provided the fellowship regulations (FCT and UMinho) and in the Statute of the Research Fellow, the fellowship ends with the completion of the work plan, as well as with the expiration date for which it was granted or renewed.

At the end of the fellowship, the grantee is obliged to present a Final Report of the work carried out, in accordance with the objectives and evaluation criteria defined with the scientific advisor, within 30 days after the end of the scholarship.

The **final report** must be prepared in accordance with Annex I of the Scientific Research Fellowships Regulation of the University of Minho (RBIC), published in *Diário da República, 2nd Série, no. 119*, through dispatch no. 6524/2020 of 22-06-2020, ratified by ratification declaration no. 447/2021 of 22-06-2021. Contract template and final report template ([link](#)).

Declaration of Honor Academic habilitations

(Full name), applicant to the research fellowship vacancy under the I&D project (title or reference), published in the Euraxess Portal, reference (notice reference), hereby declares to have a degree on (name of the course), concluded in the University of (XXXX), on the (conclusion date), with the final grade of (XXXX).

I have submitted my diploma for recognition at the University of XXXXX, according to the Decree-Law n^o 66/2018 of August 16th(¹), concluded in the XX/XX/XXXX, with the final grade of XXXXX out of YY.

I also declare that I commit to provide proof of my diploma recognition obtained under the Portuguese Law, until the date of the conclusion of the fellowship contract, in case of being selected for the vacancy in this competition.

As this is true, this declaration will be dated and signed by me.

(Place), (date).

(name)

¹ DGES (Foreign Degrees and Diplomas): <https://www.dges.gov.pt/en/pagina/degree-and-diploma-recognition?plid=1536>; University of Minho: Recognition of foreign degrees and diplomas: <https://www.uminho.pt/EN/education/Pages/recognition-of-foreign-qualifications.aspx>