ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE AWARD OF A RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

1 research fellowship RF, reference Lab2PT/UIDB-04509/20

Title: Research Fellowship for master's degree students in History or History graduates enrolled in non-degree courses as part of the educational project of a higher education institution developed in association or

cooperation between the higher education institution and one or more R&D units; 1 vacancy

A call for applications is now open for the attribution of 1 (one) research fellowship for master's students in History

or History graduates enrolled in non-academic degree courses as part of the educational project of a higher education institution developed in association or cooperation between the higher education institution and one or

more R&D units, within the scope of the research project "History of Diseases and Epidemics in Portugal between

1834 and 1979", part of the Landscapes, Heritage and Territory Laboratory (Lab2PT), Ref. a

Lab2PT/UIDB/04509/2020, financed by national funds (PIDDAC) through FCT/MCTES, under the following

conditions:

Scientific Area: History

Recipient category: Master's students in History or History graduates enrolled in non-degree courses as part of

the educational project of a higher education institution developed in association or cooperation between the higher

education institution and one or more R&D units.

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

(start and term).

Candidates profile:

Candidates should also have experience of research in libraries and archives, as well as experience of

building databases.

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 work to be carried out aims to continue the research project on the "History of Diseases and Epidemics in Portugal between 1834 and 1979", by collecting documentation from the Braga Public Library, the National Library of Portugal, the Porto District Archive, the Porto Municipal Public Library, the Military-Historical Archive, the Overseas-Historical Archive and the Torre do Tombo National Archive. The work plan will consist of the following::

- Research and selection of 20th century newspapers (1950-1979);
- Survey of the specialized medical press of the 19th and 20th centuries;
- Research into documentation relating to health policies implemented by the colonial state in São Tomé and Príncipe, Guinea-Bissau and Mozambique.
- Support for the organization of two publications in the field of Health History.

**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) of the Foundation for Science and Technology, I.P. - in force.

**Host/Contracting institution and scientific supervision**: The workplan will be carried out in the Laboratory of Landscapes, Heritage and Territory - Lab2PT, from the University of Minho, under the scientific supervision of Professor Alexandra Patrícia Lopes Esteves.

**Fellowship duration**: The fellowship will have a maximum duration of 6 months, starting in June 2024, not exceeding 31/12/2024. 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 <a href="https://www.fct.pt/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Tabela-de-Valores-SMM\_atualizacao-2024.pdf">https://www.fct.pt/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Tabela-de-Valores-SMM\_atualizacao-2024.pdf</a>) 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 components of the research grant:** Reimbursement of Voluntary Social Insurance, corresponding to the 1st Tier of the contribution base (for fellowships of 6 months or more) and Personal Accident Insurance.

**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 5° of the Research Fellow Statutes and applicable research grant regulations.

## Selection panel:

#### **President of the Jury:**

Doctor Alexandra Patrícia Lopes Esteves, Associate Professor with Aggregation, Department of History, University of Minho

#### **Effective Vowels:**

Doctor Maria Marta Lobo de Araújo, Associate Professor with Aggregation, Department of History, University of Minho

Doctor Bruno Tiago Jesus Madeira, Invited Professor Equivalent to Assistant Professor at the History Department of the University of Minho

#### **Substitute Vowels:**

Doctor Fernanda Eugénia Puga Magalhães, Assistant Professor at the History Department of the University of Minho Doctor Maria do Carmo Franco Ribeiro, Associate Professor, Department of History, University of Minho

The first effective member will substitute the President of the selection panel in case of impediment, being nominate the first substitute member in the place of the first effective member.

**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 0 to 5 values:

# A. Merit of the candidate - MC (100%):

- A1: Academic path (which reflects the classifications of the academic degrees), weighted at 50%;
- A2: Personal CV (which reflects the scientific and professional career), weighted at 40%, evidencing the following aspects: research experience in the field of Contemporary History; research experience with newspapers from the 19th and 20th centuries and good knowledge of the Portuguese periodical press; research experience in the field of Health History; mastery of the Filemaker program.
- A3: Motivation letter and/or letters of recommendation, weighted at 10%.

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

$$MC=(A.1*0,5)+(A.2*0,4)+(A.3*0,1)$$

The Final Classification (FC) of the candidate will be obtained through the classification of the Candidate's Merit (MC), by applying the following formula:

### FC=MC

# The jury reserves the right not to award the scholarship if no candidates with the right profile apply.

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).

**Constitution of a selection reserve list:** The applicants ranked in the next positions on the final ordered list of the tender will be included in a selection reserve list, which can be used until 3 months after the announcement of the final results.

**Application deadline and submission**: The call for applications is open during the period of 29/04/2024 to 14/05/2024.

Applications must be formalized by sending an application letter with the following documents: *curriculum vitae*; *certificate of qualifications or declaration by the candidate*; *letter of motivation and/or letters of recommendation*; *declaration of having met the conditions for the type of fellowship, in accordance with the application requirements*; *other documents relevant to the evaluation process.* 

Applications must be sent by email to <u>info@lab2pt.uminho.pt</u>, indicating the reference of the call for applications in Subject. 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 fellowship].

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.

# **Declaration of Honor**

## **Academic habilitations**

I, (full name), applicant to the research fellowship vacancy for the award of a (type of fellowship), 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 fellowship in the tender, namely the course (designation), by the (degree conferring university), on the date XX/XX/XXXX¹, with a final average of XXXXX values on the YY scale.

As it is not possible for me to present proof of qualifications by the end of the competition, I declare that I undertake to present this certificate when the fellowship<sup>2</sup> contract is signed, in the event that I am selected for the vacancy in the tender.

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The declaration can only attest to facts that occurred prior to the application.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In the event of a discrepancy between the information contained in the declaration and the documentation submitted for the purpose of contracting the fellowship, only the information contained in the latter will be taken into account.