

1 Research Fellowship for Master's Students

Applications are invited for 1 research fellowship at Portucalense Infante D. Henrique University (UPT), within the framework of the “Siza ATLAS: filling the gaps for World Heritage” project, reference SIZA/ETM/0023/2019, funded by national funds through the Portuguese Foundation for Science and Technology, I.P. (FCT), according to the following terms:

Scientific area: Architecture

Admission requirements

Applicants must be enrolled in an integrated master programme within the scientific area mentioned above to be admitted to this competition, a requirement to be duly proven at the contract stage.

Preferred requirements

The applicant should have completed the 1st cycle of studies and be in the process of developing a master's thesis on the 20th Century Architecture topic, classified or to be classified as World Heritage.

Applicant eligibility

The applicants must comply with the eligibility criteria set out in Article 9 of the Regulation for Research Grants of the Portuguese Foundation for Science and Technology.

Work plan

The Siza ATLAS project is carried out by the team of the Research Centre for Architecture, Urbanism and Design – Portucalense Hub (CIAUD-UPT), and it conducts an investigation and comparison with other works of contemporary architecture classified as World Heritage, aiming to justify the exceptional value of Siza's architecture, in a national and international context. In this sense, the research fellow will participate in the following project activities, which may involve frequent face-to-face meetings with project partners:

Task 3 - Documentation and analysis of works;

Task 4 - Recommendations for World Heritage List.

Applicable legislation and regulation

Law No 40/2004 of 18 August, in its current wording - Research Fellow Statute (EBI) and the Regulation in force for Research Studentships and Fellowships (RBI) of the Portuguese Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT):

<https://www.fct.pt/en/financiamento/programas-de-financiamento/bolsas>.

Workplace

The research fellow will be working at the premises of UPT, under the scientific supervision of Prof. Mariana Rita Alberto Rosado Correia.

Fellowship duration

This fellowship post will be offered on a 3-month contract, with the possibility of renewal, predictably starting in May 2023, and carried out on an exclusive basis.

The fellowship cannot be granted, according to article 6, paragraph 3, of the FCT RBI, if the timescale required for the contract procedure does not allow a minimum 3-consecutive month contract. Contract renewal, if any, will comply with Article 6 of the FCT RBI.

Stipend

Monthly stipend amount of €930,98, in accordance with FCT stipend values for studentships and fellowships carried out in Portugal (<https://www.fct.pt/en/financiamento/programas-de-financiamento/bolsas>). The payments are made by UPT via bank transfer.

The fellowship will also cover the voluntary social insurance payments, corresponding to the class 1 rate (if the fellowship contract duration is equal to or greater than 6 months) provided that the candidate chooses this regime, as well as personal accident insurance.

Selection procedure

The selection methods will consist of a Curricular Assessment (CA) and an interview (I).

The **Curricular Assessment (CA)** compasses the aspects mentioned below, scored on a scale from 0 to 20 points, and is calculated as follows:

$$CA = CA1 * 0,2 + CA2 * 0,4 + AC3 * 0,2 + AC4 * 0,2$$

CA1 – Degree classification obtained in the 1st cycle of studies;

CA2 – Alignment of the proposed Integrated Master's dissertation to the research activities carried out in the project;

CA3 – Letter of motivation;

CA4 – Proficiency in Portuguese and English languages.

The 3 top-scoring applicants in the curricular assessment will be invited for an **interview (I)**, to take place remotely or in person, provided that the CA scores are higher than 14 points. The interview is aimed at evaluating the applicant according to the criteria below and is calculated as follows:

$$I = I1 * 0,5 + I2 * 0,25 + I3 * 0,25$$

I1 – Knowledge and motivation to pursue the work plan

Excellent level of knowledge and motivation - from 16 to 20 points

Appropriate level of knowledge and motivation - from 10 to 15 points

Absence or insufficient level of knowledge or motivation - from 0 to 9 points

I2 – Soft skills (time management, problem-solving, critical thinking, teamwork, proactivity)

Highly skilled – from 16 to 20 points

Fairly skilled - from 10 to 15 points

Not sufficiently skilled - from 0 to 9 points

I3 – Communication skills and proficiency in English:

Highly skilled – from 16 to 20 points

Fairly skilled - from 10 to 15 points

Not sufficiently skilled - from 0 to 9 points

The **Final Score (FS)** is given by the weighted average of the classification obtained in each of the selection methods, with the Curriculum Assessment (CA) having a weight of 70% and the Interview (I) of 30%. If the minimum score of 14 points is not achieved by any of the applicants, the fellowship will not be awarded.

Selection panel composition

The selection panel is composed of the following Professors at UPT:

Chair of the panel — Professor António Jorge da Costa Leite

Panel member — Professor Mariana Rita Alberto Rosado Correia

Panel member — Professor Telma Filipa Ferreira Chito Ribeiro

Deputy member — Professor Maria Goreti Ferreira de Sousa

Deputy member — Professor Gilberto Jorge Carreira Duarte Carlos

Notification of results

The applicants will receive notification of the evaluation results by email, at the email address provided in the application submission, within a maximum of 90 working days, by article 12 of the FCT RBI. This notification will include, in addition to the applicant ranking list, the minutes of the selection panel meetings. If the selected candidate withdraws, the fellowship will be granted to the next highest-scoring applicant on the ranking list, provided that the minimum required score is attained.

Deadlines and procedures for pre-hearing, complaint, and appeal

After notification of the provisional evaluation results, applicants have a 10-working day pre-hearing period to argue against, pursuant to Article 121 et seq. of the Portuguese Code of Administrative Procedure. After the selection panel examines the cases presented in the pre-hearing of interested parties, the applicants will be notified of the final decision. In case of disagreement with the final decision, the applicants may lodge a complaint within 15 working days from the final decision notification or an appeal to the UPT Rectory within 30 working days from said notification.

Deadline and application submission

The call is open from **08/05/2023 to 22/05/2023** (until 11.59 pm, Lisbon time).

The applicant must submit the application by email to gai@upt.pt, adding the call reference **20234.CIAUDUPT.BI** to the email subject line and attaching the following documents in Portable Document Format (.pdf):

- Motivation letter;
- Academic degree certificate of the 1st cycle of studies completion or, alternatively, a declaration of honour by the applicant confirming said completion by the end of the application deadline, specifying the final grade and the higher education institution awarding the degree;
- Detailed curriculum vitae;
- Integrated master's dissertation plan under development;
- Any other documents deemed relevant by the applicant.

Privacy Policy

UPT is the data Controller regarding all personal data processing carried out in this selection procedure, under Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (General Regulation on Data Protection).

The personal data processed within the scope of this call is only intended for the aforementioned selection process and will be used by UPT to assess eligibility for the applied role in accordance with the applicable legal requirements and the procedure's selection criteria. The applicant's refusal to consent to the personal data processing will prevent UPT to verify whether the application meets the minimum requirements and, therefore, will render the application invalid.

The personal data can legitimately be transmitted to third parties whenever necessary to fulfill UPT's legal obligations and comply with the funding scheme requirements regarding this procedure.

The data will be retained for a legally defined period of five years.

The Data Subject has the right to object to the data collection and processing, as well as to verify, update, rectify, erase or limit the use of the collected data. The exercise of these rights is excluded when personal data is used to safeguard the public interest, namely in cases of detection and prevention of criminal offenses, or when subject to professional secrecy.

The Data Subject has also the right to access and data portability.

In order to exercise such rights, the Data Subject shall contact UPT via the e-mail address rgpd@up.pt. In all instances, the Data Subject has the right to contact and lodge a complaint to the National Data Protection Commission.

Non-discrimination and equal access policy

UPT is actively committed to promoting a non-discrimination and equal access policy, wherefore no applicant can be privileged, benefited, impaired, or deprived of any rights whatsoever, or be exempted of any duties based on their ancestry, age, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, family and economic conditions, education, origin or social status, genetic heritage, reduced work capacity, disability, chronicle illness, nationality, ethnic origin or race, national origin, language, religion, political or ideological belief and union affiliation.

Contacts

Any inquiries related to this call can be addressed to gai@upt.pt.

Additional information

The templates of the fellowship contract and fellowship final report, including evaluation criteria, are available on the UPT website.