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## Coimbra Group Scholarship Programme for Young Professors and Researchers from Latin American Universities 2021

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 41 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 2021/2022 edition of the scholarship programme:

- University of Barcelona (Spain)
- University of Bologna (Italy)
- University of Coimbra (Portugal)
- Eötvös Loránd University (Hungary)
- University of Granada (Spain)
- Karl Franz University of Graz (Austria)
- Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași (Romania)
- 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 1981**.
- 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 **16 April 2021 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](mailto:info@coimbra-group.eu), **no later than 30 April 2021.**

The dates and the structure of the visit which will be carried out in the academic year 2021-2022 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 2021.** 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 41 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](http://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
<b>University of Barcelona</b> <a href="http://www.ub.edu/web/ub/ca/">www.ub.edu/web/ub/ca/</a>	2	All	€1500 per month	1-2 months	Marta Arias <a href="mailto:marta.arias@ub.edu">marta.arias@ub.edu</a>	*The University is unable to assist with the costs of travel. *The University does not provide insurance for visitors. *Applicants (preferably doctoral students, postdoctoral or junior researchers) should establish contact with a supervising professor at the university before applying and submit a letter of invitation together with the application. Information about potential hosting departments and research groups can be checked at: <a href="http://www.ub.edu/web/ub/en/recerca_innovacio/recerca_a_la_UB/recerca.html?">http://www.ub.edu/web/ub/en/recerca_innovacio/recerca_a_la_UB/recerca.html?</a> *The research project proposal should be aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals of 2030 Agenda and the expected results lead to further academic actions between home and host institutions.
<b>University of Bologna</b> <a href="https://www.unibo.it/en">https://www.unibo.it/en</a>	-3 for researchers working for Brazilian institutions  -2 for researchers working for institutions in the rest of Latin America	All	€250 per week + travel costs in economy class (up to 1.200 Euro)	Minimum 2 weeks - Maximum 3 months	International Relation area – Latin America Unit <a href="mailto:diri.area3@unibo.it">diri.area3@unibo.it</a>	-Applicants need a doctoral degree or at least three years' full-time research experience by the time of the call deadline. -Applicants will need a pre-acceptance letter by a Professor of the University of Bologna. Therefore, candidates should contact the prospective supervisor by themselves. Please check the websites of the Departments and those of the individual scientists to find out the research field you are interested in ( <a href="https://www.unibo.it/en/university/campuses-and-structures/departments">https://www.unibo.it/en/university/campuses-and-structures/departments</a> ). Once you have identified the suitable Professor, contact him/her by sending a CV and a tentative research plan/proposal. The proposal should be written jointly with your chosen prospective supervisor. The pre-acceptance letter/ mail must be included to the application. -The International Relations Area cannot issue invitation letters for research purposes
<b>University of Coimbra</b> <a href="http://www.uc.pt">www.uc.pt</a>	1	All	€750 per month + €1.100 of travel support	1-3 months	International Relations Unit: Sofia Jesus <a href="mailto:sofia.jesus@uc.pt">sofia.jesus@uc.pt</a>	-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: <a href="http://www.uc.pt/en/iii/research_centers/centros_investigacao">www.uc.pt/en/iii/research_centers/centros_investigacao</a> 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 analyse the requests and issue you an invitation letter/email, in case they're available to host you.  -The International Relations Unit cannot issue invitation letters for research purposes.  -Evaluation and selection criteria: please download this file <a href="https://www.uc.pt/en/driic/cg/CG2021/">https://www.uc.pt/en/driic/cg/CG2021/</a>



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<b>Eötvös Loránd University</b>  <a href="https://www.elte.hu/en/">https://www.elte.hu/en/</a>	1	All	1.300 EUR per month	minimum 3, maximum 6 month	coimbragroup.scholarship@rk.elte.hu	· Applicants are at the end at their PhD studies (absolved) or postdoctoral when starting the fellowship · Applicants need an acceptance letter from a professor at ELTE · When contacting, it is required to include CV and Research proposal, and please indicate the name of the preferred host professor/institute if possible ( <a href="https://www.elte.hu/en/faculties">https://www.elte.hu/en/faculties</a> )
<b>University of Granada</b>  <a href="http://www.ugr.es">www.ugr.es</a> <a href="http://www.ugr.university/">www.ugr.university/</a>	3	All	700€ per month + health insurance + travel expenses up to 800€ will be reimbursed	up to 3 months	Ms María Virtudes Martín Fernández. <a href="mailto:admoncicode@ugr.es">admoncicode@ugr.es</a>	The stays will take place in the first semester of 2022. 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.
<b>University of Graz</b>  <a href="http://www.uni-graz.at/en/">http://www.uni-graz.at/en/</a>	2	All except Molecular Biosciences	1.000 EUR per month Travel expenses: 600 EUR	2 months	coimbragroup@uni-graz.at	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. <a href="https://www.uni-graz.at/en/university/information/faculties/">https://www.uni-graz.at/en/university/information/faculties/</a>
<b>University of Iasi</b> <a href="http://www.uaic.ro/">http://www.uaic.ro/</a>	1	All study fields included in the academic offer of the University ( <a href="http://www.uaic.ro/en/">http://www.uaic.ro/en/</a> )	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, <a href="mailto:ioana.serafinceanu@uaic.ro">ioana.serafinceanu@uaic.ro</a>	Eligible countries: Argentina, Chile, Uruguay
<b>Jagiellonian University Krakow</b>  <a href="https://www.uj.edu.pl/">https://www.uj.edu.pl/</a>	3 + 1 for non-academic staff members from Latin America HEI	All (except from faculties of the Medical School)	1500 EUR for 1 month only (no financial aid for additional months)	From 1 to 3 months	Izabela Zawiska <a href="mailto:izabela.zawiska@uj.edu.pl">izabela.zawiska@uj.edu.pl</a>	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.
<b>KU Leuven</b>  <a href="http://www.kuleuven.be">www.kuleuven.be</a>	4	All	3200 euro to cover all costs	2 months	Laura Lenssen <a href="mailto:laura.lenssen@kuleuven.be">laura.lenssen@kuleuven.be</a>	Applicants are postdoctoral researchers; At the application deadline, participants must be under the age of 40; 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
<b>University of Padova</b>  <a href="http://www.unipd.it">www.unipd.it</a>	2	All	Lump sum) 1 month: 2000€- 2 months: 2800€ - 3 months: 3600€	from 1 to 3 months (September 2021-June 2022)	Fiorlla De Gobbi <a href="mailto:fiorella.degobbi@unipd.it">fiorella.degobbi@unipd.it</a>	The University insurance covers the academic activities. Visitors should have their own insurance to cover travel, stay, health and personal property. Applicants should establish contact with a supervisor professor at the University of Padua before applying and submit the invitation letter or email together with the application. Emails to potential host research supervisors must include CV and research proposals, including topics and dates.



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<b>University of Pavia</b> <a href="http://www.unipv.eu/site/home.html">http://www.unipv.eu/site/home.html</a>	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 <a href="mailto:stefania.ferrari01@unipv.it">stefania.ferrari01@unipv.it</a>	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Flight tickets and health insurance policy will be issued directly by University of Pavia.</p>
<b>University of Poitiers</b> <a href="http://www.univ-poitiers.fr">www.univ-poitiers.fr</a>	1	All	1000€ + reimbursement of travel expenses up to 800€	1 month (duration may be extended, but the fellowship and support for travel fees are fixed)	Valerie Soulard <a href="mailto:valerie.soulard@univ-poitiers.fr">valerie.soulard@univ-poitiers.fr</a>	<p>As the Covid-19 pandemic prevented the 2020 applicants to be selected and come to Poitiers, they can be favoured for the 2021 campaign if they renew their application and get a new invitation letter from UP faculty.</p> <p>In addition, the COVID-19 French regulations prevent "short" research stays (less than 6 months) until September.</p>
<b>University of Salamanca</b> <a href="http://www.usal.es/webus">www.usal.es/webus</a>	2	All	1.100 €/month The University is unable to assist with the costs of travel.	4 months maximum	Servicio de Relaciones Internacionales <a href="mailto:rrii@usal.es">rrii@usal.es</a>	<p>The International Relations Office cannot issue invitation letters for research purposes.</p> <p>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 <a href="http://www.usal.es/departamentos">http://www.usal.es/departamentos</a> and <a href="https://investigacion.usal.es/es/empresas/gir">https://investigacion.usal.es/es/empresas/gir</a></p> <p>When contacting the potential host, please include a CV and a research plan/proposal.</p> <p>Insurance: USAL does not provide insurance for visitors.</p> <p>Access to computer and libraries.</p>
<b>University of Siena</b> <a href="http://www.unisi.it">www.unisi.it</a>	1	Any subject area, subject to the approval of the relevant host department	1,000.00 Euro/month; free board and lodging The University is unable to assist with the cost of travel.	1 month	Candida Calvo Vicente <a href="mailto:incoming@unisi.it">incoming@unisi.it</a>	<p>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).</p>
<b>University of Tartu</b> <a href="http://www.ut.ee">http://www.ut.ee</a>	1 for a doctoral student	Any field, subject to approval from the Head of Department	A fellowship of 2600 EUR (includes partial reimbursement of travel expenses)	2 months,	Sirje Üprus <a href="mailto:Sirje.Uprus@ut.ee">Sirje.Uprus@ut.ee</a>	<p>Valid health insurance is needed</p> <p>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.</p>