



Coimbra Group Scholarship Programme for Young Professors and Researchers from Latin American Universities 2017

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 38 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 2017/2018 edition of the scholarship programme:

- Eötvös Loránd University Budapest (Hungary)
- University of Coimbra (Portugal)
- University of Granada (Spain)
- Karl-Franzens University Graz (Austria)
- Friedrich Schiller University Jena (Germany)
- Jagiellonian University Krakow (Poland)
- University of Leiden (The Netherlands)
- KU Leuven (Belgium)
- University of Padova (Italy)
- University of Poitiers (France)
- University of Salamanca (Spain)
- University of Siena (Italy)

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. Candidates should be **under 40 years** of age when submitting the application.
- 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 **31 March 2017** on the Coimbra Group web site: (<http://www.coimbra-group.eu/activities/scholarships>). Applications should be submitted in English.

The Coimbra Group Office will individually acknowledge each application received. Within two weeks of submitting the online application, a confirmation message will be sent to the e-mail address provided by the candidate with a copy of the application. This will be your only acknowledgement of receipt. If you don't receive a confirmation message it means that your application was not submitted correctly or there was a technical problem. In this case please contact Cristina.Tanase@coimbra-group.eu.

The dates and the structure of the visit which will be carried out in the academic year 2017-2018 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 May 2017. 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.

For further information please contact Catarina Moleiro Moleiro@coimbra-group.eu.

The Coimbra Group

The Coimbra Group, which was set up in 1987, is an association of 38 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.

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

COIMBRA GROUP UNIVERSITIES OFFERING GRANTS

University	Number of scholarships	Field	Grant	Duration	Contact	Remarks
Eötvös Loránd University Budapest https://www.elte.hu	1	1. evolutionary biology, phylogenomics, molecular dating, horizontal gene transfer 2. cancer evolution, somatic evolution, physics of cancer 3. theoretical astrophysics, dynamics, gravitational wave physics	€1000 per month + the University provides accommodation	3-6 months	Veronika Kóré veronika.kore@r.k.elte.hu	*The university does not provide any insurance for the visitor. We strongly recommend that (s)he signs full time health, liability and accident insurance.
University of Coimbra www.uc.pt	1	All	€750 per month + reimbursement of travel expenses up to €1100	1-3 months	International Office dri@uc.pt	*The University of Coimbra (UC) strongly recommends the selected researcher to have a valid insurance that covers his/her research period. The UC does not provide any insurance.
University of Granada www.ugr.es www.ugr.university/	2	All (www.ugr.es)	€900 per month + health insurance + reimbursement of travel expenses up to €800	maximum 3 months	Beatriz Caruana & Virginia Salazar intlmobility@ugr.es	*The University of Granada (UGR) 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 this University, which means that the candidate should have prior contact with the UGR professors/officers before applying for the grant.
University of Graz http://www.uni-graz.at/en/	2	All (except Molecular Biosciences) http://www.uni-graz.at/en/university/information/faculties/	€1000 per month + reimbursement of travel expenses up to €600	2 months, however the scholarships can only be consumed in 2018!	coimbragroup@uni-graz.at	*Remarks: 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.
Friedrich Schiller University Jena www.uni-jena.de	1 (for a doctoral or postdoctoral researcher)	All	€1000 per month + reimbursement of travel expenses up to €500	1-3 months	Mareike Rind Mareike.rind@uni-jena.de	*Applicants will need a pre-acceptance letter from a Professor in Jena University; 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/email must be uploaded to the application. *Facilities: Access to computer and library. *The university will provide assistance in finding accommodation.

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Jagiellonian University Krakow www.uj.edu.pl	1	All MA and PhD programmes excluding Medicine (please check www.uj.edu.pl to see which programmes are run in English)	exemption of tuition fees + free accommodation in the JU dormitory	minimum 1 and maximum 2 semesters	Natasza Styczyńska natasza.styczynska@uj.edu.pl	*The grant is not open to non-academic staff.
Leiden University www.leidenuniv.nl/	3	All	total of €4000 (including travel expenses)	3 months (in the period September-December 2017)	Marianne Wiesebron M.L.Wiesebron@Hum.LeidenUniv.nl	
KU Leuven www.kuleuven.be	3 (for researchers/professors who hold a PhD degree)	All	€1600 per month	2 or 3 months	Hilde Nijs Hilde.Nijs@kuleuven.be	*Only postdoctoral researchers or professors who already obtained their PhD degree at the moment of the application are eligible. *The University will provide assistance in finding accommodation, office space (shared with others), computer and library access. *Travel expenses are not reimbursed. *The scholarship is incompatible with other scholarships/grants/allowances.
University of Padova www.unipd.it	2	All	€950 per month + reimbursement of travel expenses up to €950	3 months (in the interval September 2017-June 2018)	Fiorella de Gobbi fiorella.degobbi@unipd.it	*Insurance: The University insurance only covers the academic activities. Visitors should have their own insurance to cover travel, stay health and personal property. *Applicants should have received approval from 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 Poitiers www.univ-poitiers.fr	1	All fields available in the research laboratories of the University	€1000 +reimbursement of travel expenses up to €700	1 month	Jean-Marie Pincemin jean.marie.pincemin@univ-poitiers.fr	*Check information and procedures at: https://goo.gl/KQUHfr
University of Salamanca www.usal.es/webusal	2	All	€1100 per month	maximum 4 months	Servicio de Relaciones Internacionales rrii@usal.es	
University of Siena www.unisi.it	3	Social sciences (Communication, history and history of art)	€100 per week + free board and lodging + the university will cover the costs of a round-trip flight	minimum 2 weeks, maximum 4 weeks	Candida Calvo Vicente incoming@unisi.it	*Eligible countries/universities: Cuban Universities (priority will be given to young researchers coming from Universidad de La Habana and Oficina del Historiador de la ciudad de La Habana). *Available facilities: Assistance with finding accommodation, access to libraries, computer and telephone. *Insurance: The University provides accident insurance and public liability insurance. Visitors will need 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).