

PONTIFICIA UNIVERSIDADE CATÓLICA DO RIO GRANDE DO SUL (PUCRS) Office of the Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies (PROPESQ) Office of Graduate Studies Institutional Project of Internationalization Call 03/2020-v02 Visiting Professor in Brazil

- 1. The opening for applications to the Visiting Professor in Brazil fellowship within the scope of the Pontificia Universidade Católica do Rio Grande do Sul (PUCRS) Institutional Internationalization Project (*PII*) under the Capes-PrInt Program is made public, as follows.
- 2. Purpose:
 - 2.1. This Call for Proposals aims to support distinguished international faculty members to teach courses and deliver on-site training, workshops and seminars at (PUCRS).
 - 2.2. This Call comprises the submission of proposals for the two following funding categories: (1) Fellowships from specific International Cooperation Projects (ICP) and (2) Fellowships awarded by the Office of the Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies (PROPESQ) according to broad themes.
 - 2.2.1. Candidates should indicate in the application form which funding category their proposal aims to obtain;
 - 2.2.2. Only candidates from partner countries listed on Appendix 1 (Document 41/2017 CAPES-PrInt) are eligible for fellowships from category 2 (awarded by PROPESQ). This information is also available at http://www.pucrs.br/print/calls-for-applications/partners-countries/;;
 - 2.2.3. Candidates must come from a partner international Higher Educational Institution (HEIs) of PUCRS-PrInt project, according to the list of PrInt partners (<u>http://www.pucrs.br/print/calls-for-applications/programs-and-universities-by-theme-and-project/</u>).
 - 2.2.4. For Fellowships from ICPs, the candidate must be already a team member in



the team of the specific ICP. For fellowships from the Office of the Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies (PROPESQ), the HEI of the applicant must be in the list of PrInt partners.

- 2.3. The main goals of this call are:
 - 2.3.1. Expand the international collaboration network of PUCRS' Graduate Programs;
 - 2.3.2. Foster and consolidate international collaboration initiatives;
 - 2.3.3. Encourage international partnerships that will effectively contribute to improved academic production from Post-Graduation Programs at PUCRS.
- 3. Available fellowships:
 - 3.1. The number of available fellowships, including their duration and themes are listed in List of available fellowship opportunities.
- 4. Eligibility criteria:

4.1. Applicants must fulfill the following requirements to be eligible for the fellowship and considered a candidate for evaluation:

- 4.1.1. Have a Doctorate degree (PhD or equivalent);
- 4.1.2. Show relevant scientific/academic productivity, primarily in the last 5 years;
- 4.1.3. Hold a faculty member position in an institution abroad;
- 4.1.4. Applicants currently working as professors or researchers in Brazil will not be considered;
- 4.2. Candidates connected to a PUCRS host professor who can assist during their stay will be preferred.



- 5. Documentation:
 - 5.1. The following documentation is required for application:
 - 5.1.1 Application Form completed and signed (Appendix I);
 - 5.1.2 **Plan of activities**, in Portuguese or English (Appendix II).
 - 5.1.3 Applicant curriculum vitae.
 - 5.1.4 **Letter from the applicant's institution** certifying their agreement with the applicant's plan and length of stay at PUCRS.
 - 5.1.5 Letter of PUCRS host Graduate Program Coordinator, certifying their agreement with the applicant's plan and length of stay at PUCRS, containing the following information:
 - I. Name of the applicant;
 - II. Name of host professor at PUCRS;
 - III. Month and year of start and end of stay at PUCRS, according to the period requested in the Application Form.

5.1.6 Photocopy of the Doctorate degree diploma.

5.1.7 **Photocopy of valid passport**.

- 5.2. This documentation should be submitted by email with the required files attached in PDF format to <u>diretoriapg.print@pucrs.br</u>.
 - 5.2.1. The email subject should include the pursued grant type (Visiting Professor in Brazil), category and to which Cooperation Project it is associated, if applicable.
- 6. Schedule
 - 6.1. The schedule for fellowships starting in **October, November or December** as follows:



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Activity	Dates
Submission	Apr 16 - Jun 21, 2020
Confirmation	Jun 23, 2020
Analysis of proposals	Jun 24 – Jul 15, 2020
Preliminary results	By Jul 21, 2020
Appeals	Jul 22 – 28, 2020
Final results	By Jul 31, 2020
Nomination	Aug 03 - 15, 2020

7. Review process:

- 7.1. Proposals will be reviewed as follows: The Office of Graduate Studies will check the applicants' documentation upon receipt. An evaluation committee comprised of members designated by the PII management group will analyze the applications relevance and decide on the selection and classification of proposals.
- 7.2. Proposals will be evaluated and classified according to the following criteria:
 - 7.2.1. Quality, regularity and relevance of applicant's scientific production in regard to the Cooperation Project or PII Themes they are associated, according to the type of award requested (categories 1 or 2, as cited on item 2.2 of this Call);
 - 7.2.2. Applicant's expertise in the proposal academic field;
 - 7.2.3. Applicant's availability to contribute as co-supervisor to post-graduate students, if applicable;
 - 7.2.4. Plan of activities feasibility, taking into account the length of stay and available infrastructure;
 - 7.2.5. Results and repercussions of visit within PII goals;
 - 7.2.6. Relevance of the proposed Plan of Activities for the internationalization of PUCRS the Pos-graduate Programs;



7.2.7. Agreement between candidates' expertise and the activities and goals.

8. Award:

- 8.1. The applications recommended for an award or declined for funding will be notified as follows:
 - 8.1.1. Proposals awarded with fellowships from Cooperation Projects will be listed at http://www.pucrs.br/print/calls-for-applications/;
 - 8.1.2. Proposals awarded with fellowships from the Office of the Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies (PROPESQ) will be listed at <u>http://www.pucrs.br/print/calls-for-applications/;</u>
- 9. Appeals:
 - 9.1. Applicants may appeal the final decision by sending an email to <u>diretoriapg.print@pucrs.br</u> within 7 days of award announcement.
 - 9.2. Appeals will be analyzed by the PII Manager Group at PUCRS.
- 10. Awardee Benefits:
 - 10.1. Financial support and benefits will be awarded according to Call 41/2017 Capes-PrInt
 Financed Items of Scholarship in Brazil (available at http://www.pucrs.br/print/calls-for-applications/).
 - 10.2. Applicants are not entitled to any other benefits than those described in the document mentioned above.
 - 10.3. Benefits are not extensive to dependents.
 - 10.4. The Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical assistance of internationals in Brazil will be carried out by the Unified Health System (SUS), as per the agreement signed between the Ministries of Foreign Affairs (MRE) and the Ministries of Health, on



- 10.5. CAPES will not reimburse airfare costs that are not in accordance to program's rules and will not grant tickets to spouses of dependents.
- 11. Awardee Obligations:
 - 11.1. To obtaining the appropriate visa to come to Brazil. The type of visa will depend on the activities to be developed. The visa must be valid for the period of the applicant's stay in Brazil;
 - 11.2. To ensure that the planned activities are executed as proposed in the Plan of Activities;
 - 11.3. The awardee is expected to engage in activities such as seminars and conferences or preparation of written documents regarding their visit to help disseminate and foster knowledge about the PUCRS PII;
 - 11.4. Seminars and conferences must be presented in English. Exceptionally, Spanishlanguage native speakers may use Spanish.
 - 11.5. When disclosing results from their stay, awardees should mention the financial support received through the PUCRS Institutional Internalization Program granted by CAPES-PrInt Call N° 41/2017;
 - 11.6. To present a final report of activities including copies of the generated products, such as defense papers, seminars delivered and other documents that could support the visit productivity and impact. Upon conclusion of their visit, the awardee should submit a final report to <u>diretoriapg.print@pucrs.br</u> within 3 months;
 - 11.7. Applicants will not be entitled to receiving financial aid from other Brazilian agencies or entities cumulatively.
- 12. Host professor obligations:
 - 12.1. To work closely with the visiting scholar and ensure that PUCRS guidelines and standards are followed.



- 12.2. To be the interlocutor between the Office of Graduate Studies at PROPESQ or CAPES and the awardee.
- 12.3. Ensure the Plan of activities is executed as planned.
- 12.4. Promptly report any problems or irregularities to the Office of Graduate Studies at PROPESQ.
- 12.5. If the need to suspend the fellowship arises, promptly inform the Office of Graduate Studies at PROPESQ, explaining and justifying such demand.
- 12.6. To assist the visiting professor in issues he/she might encounter related to their visit to Brazil, including:
 - 12.6.1. Visa application;
 - 12.6.2. Registration at the National Registration of Foreigners RNE (at *Polícia Federal*/Federal Police Department), if applicable;
 - 12.6.3. Registration at *Cadastro de Pessoa Física* (CPF) (at *Receita Federal*/Internal Revenue Service), if applicable;
 - 12.6.4. Opening of a bank account, if applicable;
 - 12.6.5. Housing and health services matters.
- 13. Final Considerations:
 - 13.1. After the award announcement, the Office of Graduate Studies will register the awardee at the Brazilian funding agency supporting the fellowship, CAPES. CAPES will contact the awardee and require additional registration and agreement signature.
 - 13.2. As required by the CAPES-PrInt Call N° 41/2017, at least 70% of the financial resources should be allocated to proposals involving countries with whom CAPES has cooperation agreements.



- 13.3. This Call for Proposals follows the Article 4, Clause 4.1, item 4.1.4.1. of the CAPES Notice 041/2017 Program for Institutional Internationalization (CAPES-PrInt).
- 13.4. No awards will be granted to spouses or relatives up to third degree, according to Decree 7203 of June 4, 2010 in Binding Summary No. 13 / STF (Brazilian Federal Supreme Court).
- 13.5. If you have any questions or concerns on this Call, please contact the Office <u>diretoriapg.print@pucrs.br</u>.
- 13.6. The cases not covered herein will be resolved by the CAPES-Print Project Manager Group at PUCRS.

Porto Alegre, April 16th, 2020.

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