

PONTIFÍCIA UNIVERSIDADE CATÓLICA DO RIO GRANDE DO SUL

Office of the Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies

Office of Graduate Studies

Institutional Project of Internationalization (PUCRS-PrInt)

Call 04/2020-v02

**Young Talent with Experience Abroad and
Postdoctoral Researcher with Experience Abroad**

1. The opening for applications to Young Talent with Experience Abroad and Postdoctoral Researcher with Experience Abroad fellowships within the scope of the Pontifícia 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 increase the number of young researchers with relevant academic and scientific experience in research and / or teaching activities in the Graduate Programs of the Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio Grande do Sul (PUCRS), associated with the applicant's area of expertise.
 - 2.2. This Call comprises the submission of proposals for the two following funding categories: (1) Fellowships from specific Cooperation Projects 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.
 - 2.3. This call for proposals includes 2 (two) different categories:
 - 2.3.1. **Young Talent with Experience Abroad:** for young talented researchers, from Brazil or abroad, who live overseas and have certified relevant academic international experience (such as having completed a Master's or PhD or who have completed research internships at the Master's or PhD level for at least 12 months) for teaching or research.
 - 2.3.2. **Postdoctoral Researcher with Experience Abroad:** for faculty or researchers, from Brazil or overseas, living either in Brazil or abroad, and

who have certified relevant academic international experience (such as having completed a PhD or who have completed a Postdoctoral research for at least 12 months) for teaching or research.

2.4. The main goals of this call are:

- 2.4.1. Expand the international collaboration network of PUCRS' Graduate Programs;
- 2.4.2. Consolidate the Graduate Programs' international partners;
- 2.4.3. Encourage international partnerships that will effectively contribute to improved academic production from Graduation Programs at PUCRS;
- 2.4.4. To attract young researchers from abroad with international background to PUCRS' Graduate Programs.

3. Duration and Available Fellowships

3.1. The number of available fellowships, including their duration and themes are listed in [List of available fellowships opportunities](#).

3.2. The fellowships will range from 6 (six) months to 12 (twelve) months in length as provided in the [List of available fellowships opportunities](#), and in the Call No. 41/2017 of the Institutional Program of Internationalization – CAPES-PrInt.

4. Eligibility Criteria

4.1. **Fellowships for Young Talent with Experience Abroad:**

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

- i. Must be residing abroad, mandatorily;
- ii. Have valid PhD degree, at the time the award is given;

- iii. Have relevant academic experience abroad: Complete Full Master's or PhD or Doctoral internships (Master's or PhD) performed abroad for at least 12 (twelve) months;
- iv. Have outstanding scientific and / or technological production in the academic areas of PUCRS' Graduate Program of interest, as stated in the PII;
- v. The application must be submitted by a host researcher, affiliated to one of the Graduate Programs embraced by PUCRS' PII;
- vi. The application must be in a knowledge area in affinity with the expertise of the host professor.

4.2 **Postdoctoral researcher with experience abroad:**

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

- i. Be a resident of Brazil or abroad;
- ii. Have a PhD degree;
- iii. Have relevant academic experience proven abroad: Full PhD or postdoctoral research internship completed abroad for at least 12 (twelve) months;
- iv. Have outstanding scientific and / or technological production in the academic areas of PUCRS' Graduate Program of interest, as stated in the PII;
- v. The application must be submitted by a host researcher, affiliated to one of the Graduate Programs embraced by PUCRS' PII;
- vii. The application must be in a knowledge area in affinity with the expertise of the host professor.
- vi. The application must be in line with the strategic planning of the University and the PII.

5. Documentation

5.1. The following documents must be submitted:

- 5.1.1. **Application Form** duly signed and completed, as per Appendix I – Young Talent with Experience Abroad or Appendix II – Postdoctoral researcher, of this Call;
- 5.1.2. **Applicant's Résumé:** Lattes CV for Brazilian applicants; Curriculum Vitae for researchers from outside of Brazil;
- 5.1.3. **Lattes CV of PUCRS host;**
- 5.1.4. **Copy of IDs:** RG and CPF for Brazilian applicants; copy of passport for international applicants;
- 5.1.5. **Plan of Activities**, designed jointly by the candidate and PUCRS' host researchers, as shown in Annex III of this Call:
- 5.1.6. **Letter of PUCRS host Graduate Program Coordinator**, indicating the department where the applicant will be placed. This document must be signed and contain the following:
 - I. Name of the applicant;
 - II. Approval of the plan of activities with the title of the project to be developed;
 - III. **Month and year of start and end of stay at PUCRS**, according to the period requested in the Application Form.
- 5.1.7. **Certification(s) of experience(s) abroad.**

5.2. The candidate must submit the application documentation in a single .pdf file, in the order indicated in item 5 of this Call, to diretoriapg.print@pucrs.br. Applicants can use free online tools to produce documents in this format.

5.3. The email subject should include the pursued grant type (Young Talent or Postdoctoral Researcher), category and to which Cooperation Project it is associated, if applicable.

5.4. Applications submitted after the deadline stated in Section 6 will not be accepted.

6. Schedule

6.1. This Call for Proposals will follow the schedules below:

6.1.1. The schedule for fellowships starting in **October, November** or **December** as follows:

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. Selection

7.1. Proposals will be analyzed as follows:

7.1.1. The Office of International Projects will check the applicants' documentation upon receipt, confirming or not the application;

7.1.2. A Selection Committee consisting of three members to be defined by the PII Management Committee will be responsible for analyzing the proposal, and issuing a final decision.

7.2. Selection will take into consideration the documents submitted and the relevance of the research project. In order to embrace the different academic areas, evaluations regarding the documents and analysis of relevance of the research project must be equal.

7.3. The following aspects will be taken into consideration in the evaluation of relevance, quality and classification of proposals:

- 7.3.1. Applicant's previous experience: quality and regularity of the scientific production of the researcher in the area of the research project;
- 7.3.2. Relevance of the project: relevance of the proposed research project in view of its impact on the academic area;
- 7.3.3. Involvement between applicant and host researcher: academic qualifications of the host researcher and the applicant must be compatible;
- 7.3.4. Cooperative actions: university / industry cooperation and insertion in local innovation systems.

7.4. When necessary, the following tiebreaker criteria will be used::

Criteria priority	Description
1º	The regularity and quality of scientific and technological production, as well as the experience of the applicant.
2º	Originality and relevance of the Research Project for scientific, technological development and results within the scope of the PII and the Graduate Program.
3º	Coherence between the knowledge area of the host teacher and the applicant.

8. Result:

8.1. Results will be available on <http://www.pucrs.br/print-pt/editais/>.

9. Appeals

9.1 Applicants may appeal the final decision by sending an email to diretoriapg.print@pucrs.br 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 aid and corresponding benefits will be awarded according to [CAPES Directive 01/2020 dated Jan 03, 2020](#) and annexes.

10.2. Benefits are not extended to dependents.

11. Nominations

11.1. The applicants will be nominated by the Office of Graduate Programs through CAPES' [Sistema de Controle de Bolsas e Auxílios – SCBA](#).

12. Implementation of the Award

12.1. The award will be given by Capes.

12.2. The award will be given by CAPES through the [Sistema de Controle de Bolsas e Auxílios – SCBA](#) and platform [Linha Direta](#). CAPES will email the applicant a password to be used by applicants in the system. The email address will be the same as the one that has been informed in the submission of the application.

12.3. Applicants must accept the award on the [Sistema de Controle de Bolsas e Auxílios - SCBA](#) and keep track of their status on the [Linha Direta](#) platform to have the award given.

13. Final Considerations

13.1. Host professor obligations:

13.1.1 Work closely with the scholar, make sure to comply with program's guidelines and standards, and report on any problems or irregularities, as they will act as an interlocutor between the Office of Graduate Studies/PROPESQ and the grantee;

13.1.2 In case the award is interrupted, inform the Office of Graduate Studies/PROPESQ as soon as possible and send a justification for the cancellation;

13.1.3 To assist the international scholar in obtaining the CPF number, opening of a bank account, finding housing and available health services.

- 13.2. International applicants will be responsible for 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.
- 13.3. The awardees should mention the financial support received through the PUCRS Institutional Internalization Program granted by CAPES-PrInt Call N° 41/2017, in any publication of the results achieved under the program.
- 13.4. Recipients may be required to hold seminars, write papers and take part in events to exchange experiences, if requested.
- 13.5. Upon conclusion of the fellowship, the awardee should submit a final report to diretoriapg.print@pucrs.br within 1 month, as per Appendix IV.
- 13.6. 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.
- 13.7. The application must take into consideration the countries that are listed in the area of the project to which they are submitting their application.
- 13.8. This Call for Proposals follows the Article 4, item 4.1.4 BOLSAS DO PAÍS and its sub-items 4.1.4.2 and 4.1.4.3 of CAPES Call 041/2017 – Program for Institutional Internationalization (CAPES-PrInt).
- 13.9. 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).
- 13.10. It is the sole responsibility of PUCRS to conduct the selection process and nominate applicants to CAPES. CAPES may, at its sole discretion, award the grant according to the requirements presented in the current version of Call 041/2017.
- 13.11. PUCRS is not responsible for the implementation of the award in the event of budgetary or financial restrictions, as well as of budgetary cuts by CAPES.



13.12. If you have any questions or concerns on this Call, please contact the Office diretoriapg.print@pucrs.br.

1.1. The cases not covered herein will be resolved by the CAPES-Print Project Manager Group at PUCRS.

Porto Alegre, April 16th, 2020.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Carla Denise Bonan', is positioned above the typed name.

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