Conditions of the Call for Doctoral School Research Grant for Predoctoral Research Visits for Doctoral Grantholders. - Year 2020

OBJECT
The aim of this call is to promote the research activity dissemination of the predoctoral research Grant Holders, and also their training and knowledge. The aim is help the Grant Holders to make a short lasted research visit in Universities or Research Entities outside Catalunya.

NATURE AND CONDITIONS OF THE GRANT
This predoctoral research visit call intention is to cover some of the expenses by predoctoral research visits.

The beneficiaries of this type of grant are the Doctoral Grant holders of the Doctoral School, whose application of the predoctoral research visit has been formally accepted.

A maximum of 12 weeks of the total duration of the stay will be funded, and the maximum budget will be assigned in accordance with the host country, using the tables given in Appendix I of these rules. This amount includes travel, accommodation and living expenses, and also the expenses associated with the stay.
All the research visits must be approved by UOC, before presenting the application to the call, according to the University regulations. It is essential that the stay is carried out between January 1\textsuperscript{st}, 2020 and December 31\textsuperscript{st}, 2020.

The Doctoral Grant Holders who feature a grant for research visits will receive the approved amount by wire transfer with their payslip. For this reason, the expenses relating with the research visits must be managed by their own.

**BUDGET**

The overall budget 2020 available for this year shall not exceed 32,035,08 Euros.

**REQUIREMENTS AND OBLIGATIONS**

To receive a Doctoral School grant for the predoctoral research visit, the applicant must meet the following requirements and obligations:

- Completing the grant application form provided by the Doctoral School by entering to the GIR, at the “Portal Investigador”, and submit all the attached documentation stipulated on the form (both the documentation for submission when making the application and the documentation that should be sent after the research visit). Is necessary to take into account that it is indispensable to present the official acceptation of the University or Research Entity through which the Doctoral Grant Holder is made know about his/her research stay having been accepted.
- Not receiving other grant for the same item awarded by public or private institutions.
- It is essential that the associated expenses are incurred between 1 January and 31 December 2020.
- Having the scientific production up to date in the GIR.
- Expenses relating with congress assistance, meetings, seminars, etc., are excluded from this call.
TIME LIMIT, FORMALISATION AND PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS

The period for submitted will be open until the budget is exhausted and as maximum till November 1st, 2020.

The applications may only be sent through the “Portal Investigador” at GIR tool, login to the link “Presentació de sol·licitud” inside the call’s file.

The applicant, in a maximum of 2 working days after the submission, will receive a confirmation email, from the Research and Innovation Office (ARI), of the correct submission.

For additional information or resolve queries do not hesitate to contact preaward_ari@uoc.edu

SELECTION

The Doctoral School will evaluate the applications for this call and will rule on the awarding of Grant covered by this call.

The decision will be communicated within 15th labour days of submitting their application.

The Doctoral School will take the following criteria into account when assessing the applications:

- The significance and scientific prestige of the host institution will be priced in relation in the area of specific research (this information will have to be proportionate and justified by the applicant).
- The requests linked to the research carried out within the framework of a project with competitive funding will have priority.
- In the case of a Doctoral Grant holder who wants to apply for more than one application, the first one will be prioritize.
- CV of the applicant of the grant. That information picked up and updated will only be valued on the Tool of Integral Management of the Research of the UOC (GIR).
GRANT AWARDED EXECUTION

The grant awarded to the applicant will be paid as a single payment as part of their salary. This amount will be subject to the corresponding income tax and social security payments as established in the labour regulations currently in force.

JUSTIFICATION

After attendance at the predoctoral research visit, the researcher responsible for the application must submit the following documentation within a maximum of three months:

- Report with a brief account of the opportunities detected (contacts, subjects, funding options, etc.) that may be linked to the UOC’s research interests.
- Update of the information in the GIR with the details of the work presented at the event in question.
APPENDIX I

The table below shows the maximum amounts that will be funded for travel between Barcelona and the host centre, depending on the distance shown by the Erasmus+ European programme’s Distance Calculator.

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<th>Distance between Barcelona and the host centre</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tr>
<td>Between 100 and 499 km</td>
<td>180 euros</td>
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<td>Between 500 and 1,999 km</td>
<td>275 euros</td>
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<td>Between 2,000 and 2,999 km</td>
<td>360 euros</td>
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<td>Between 3,000 and 3,999 km</td>
<td>530 euros</td>
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<td>between 4,000 and 7,999 km</td>
<td>820 euros</td>
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<td>8,000 km or more</td>
<td>1,500 euros</td>
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<td><strong>European regions outside of the continent</strong></td>
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<td>Iceland, outermost regions and overseas regions</td>
<td>770 euros</td>
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<td>Malta and Cyprus</td>
<td>720 euros</td>
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This table will also be taken into account for stays by researchers from other foreign institutions to calculate the maximum amount payable for travel between their place of origin and Barcelona.

The following table shows the maximum weekly sums that will be funded as living expenses, depending on the host country:
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<th>Country</th>
<th>Weekly stipend</th>
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<td>Denmark, Finland, Ireland, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, the United Kingdom, Sweden, Canada, Japan, Australia, New Zealand, the United States, Israel and Switzerland</td>
<td>€300</td>
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<td>Germany, Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Spain, France, Greece, Italy, Malta, the Netherlands, Portugal</td>
<td>€250</td>
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<td>Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Bulgaria, Croatia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, the Czech Republic, Romania, Turkey</td>
<td>€200</td>
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<td>Other countries</td>
<td>€700 per month</td>
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