

**CALL FOR A RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP FOR A LICENTIATE DEGREE,
UNDER THE "UNFOLD: IN THE SHADOW OF VIOLENCE: A LIFE-COURSE
APPROACH TO UNFOLD THE SCARS ON THE BODY AND MIND OVER
CHILDHOOD AND ADOLESCENCE" PROJECT (REF. 2022.06837.PTDC), AT
THE INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC HEALTH OF UNIVERSITY OF PORTO**

There is an open call for applications for a research scholarship for a licentiate degree in the scope of the project “UNFOLD: in the shadow of violence: a life-course approach to unfold the scars on the body and mind over childhood and adolescence”, reference 2022.06837.PTDC, at the Institute of Public Health of the University of Porto, financed by national funds through Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT) under the following conditions:

Application deadline: 04 to 18 June 2024

1. Scientific area: Life Sciences

2. Applicable legislation and regulations

Statute of Scientific Research Grant Holder, approved by Law no. 40/2004, of 18 of August, as amended by Decree-Law no. 123/2019, of 28 of August; Regulation no. 950/2019, of 29 of November, published in Diário da República, no. 241, Series 2, of 16 of December (Regulation of Research Grants of FCT, I. P.); Decree-Law no. 66/2018, of 16 August (Legal regime for recognition of academic degrees and diplomas of higher education awarded by foreign higher education institutions); Administrative Procedure Code (CPA), approved by Decree-Law no. 4/2015, of 7 January.

3. Admission requirements:

To apply for the scholarship, applicants must comply with the following requirements, for which documentary evidence must be provided:

- a. Degree in Biology, Biochemistry, or similar areas;
- b. Be enrolled in a Master program in health education related area (requirement to be proven before the hiring act);

Or

Be enrolled in a non-academic degree course integrated in the educational project of a higher education institution, developed in association or cooperation with one or more R&D units, a requirement to be duly proven at the time of hiring.

Note: In the case of graduates or masters who are enrolled in courses that do not confer an academic degree, the scholarship can only be awarded to those who do not exceed, with the conclusion of the scholarship contract in question, including possible renewals, an accumulated period of two years in this type of exchange, followed or interpolated.

If the degree has been awarded by a foreign higher education institution, it must be recognized by a Portuguese higher education institution, in accordance with the provisions of article 25 of Decree-Law no. 66/2018 of 16 August, which approves the legal regime for the recognition of academic degrees and higher education diplomas awarded by foreign higher education institutions and Article 4 (2) (e) of Decree-Law no. 60/2018 of 3 August, and any formalities established therein be fulfilled up to the date of the contracting act.

4. Work Plan:

The main tasks to be performed under the scholarship will be:

- a. Writing of scientific publications;
- b. Preparing and presenting abstracts at scientific conferences;
- c. Participation in team meetings and other relevant research activities.

5. Workplace and supervision

The work plan will be developed at the Institute of Public Health of the University of Porto under the supervision of Sílvia Fraga.

6. Duration of the scholarship

The scholarship will have a duration of 12 months, starting in 01 July 2024 possibly renewable, but not exceeding the project's conclusion date (28/02/2026).

The eventual renewal of the scholarship will be carried out as determined in article 6 of the Research Grants Regulation of the Foundation for Science and Technology, I.P.

7. Amount of the monthly maintenance allowance

The amount of the allowance is 990.98 euros (nine hundred and ninety euros and ninety-eight cents), in accordance with the table of values of the scholarships awarded directly by FCT, I.P. in Portugal.

8. Evaluation methods:

Curriculum evaluation (CE) and, if the selection board deems it necessary, a selection interview (E) for the first three best ranked candidates in the CE, whose score in the curricular evaluation is equal to or greater than ten points. The final classification will be obtained by the following formula: $0.6 \times CE + 0.4 \times E$, on a scale of 0 to 20 points. If there is no interview, the final classification will be equal to the one obtained in the CE. In eventuality that none of the candidates demonstrates to have the profile indicated for the execution of the work plan, the jury reserves the right not to award the scholarship.

The criteria for curricular evaluation (CE) are:

- a. Academic background, specifically the undergraduate degree classification (0 to 9 points);
- b. Knowledge and training in the project's theme, specifically biosocial adversity and embodiment (0 to 3 points);
- c. Skills in quantitative data analysis (STATA, R or SPSS) (0 to 4 points);
- d. Proficiency in English, written and spoken (0 to 4 points).

The evaluation factors of the selection interview (E), if it takes place, will be:

- a. Professional knowledge and skills to accomplish the work plan (0 to 9 points);
- b. Motivation towards the research project (0 to 4 points);
- c. Communication skills (0 to 3 points);
- d. Professional attitude (0 to 4 points).

9. Selection panel:

President – Mariana Amorim

1st Effective member – Sílvia Fraga

2nd Effective member – Milton Severo

1st Alternate member – Sara Soares

2nd Alternate member – Henrique Barros

10. Form of presentation of applications and deadline for applications:

10.1 The Call for Applications is open until 18 June 2024.

10.2 The applications should be formalised, obligatorily, through email to the address candidaturas@ispup.up.pt, with the ref^o "BI – Lic | UNFOLD" in the subject accompanied by the following documents, of mandatory presentation:

- a. Letter of Motivation;
- b. Curriculum Vitae;
- c. Documents proving that the applicant meets the conditions required for the type of scholarship to which he is applying, namely certificate(s) of qualification(s), with the final classification obtained and the respective academic degree recognition by a Portuguese higher education institution (if applicable) and proof of enrolment in a cycle of studies leading to a degree or in a non-degree course*.

The degree recognition must be duly proven until the act of hiring. If the recognition of the degree is under review, should be send proof of the request;

- d. Other documents deemed relevant by the candidate.

* Proof of enrolment in a cycle of studies leading to a degree or in a non-degree course may be waived at the application stage and replaced by a declaration of honour of the applicant, only in the contract phase of the scholarship. However, the grant will be conditional on the delivery of these documents.

10.3 Failure to submit the documents identified above in the application will result in the administrative exclusion of the candidates.

11. Disclosure of the results:

- a. The results of the evaluation will be made public through the sending of minutes via the email provided at the time of application.
- b. Candidates have a period of 10 working days, counting from the day after the notification, to comment, if they wish, in a prior hearing.

12. In case of withdrawal of the candidate ranked first, the highest body of the Institute reserves the right to call the next candidate and so on until the vacancy is filled.

13. Policy of non-discrimination and equal access

ISPUP actively promotes a policy of non-discrimination and equal access, whereby no candidate may be privileged, benefited, prejudiced or deprived of any right or exempted from any duty on the basis of ancestry, age, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, family situation, economic situation, education, origin or social condition, genetic heritage, reduced work capacity, disability, chronic illness, nationality, ethnic origin or race, territory of origin, language, religion, political or ideological beliefs or affiliation with a professional union.

14. Data protection and privacy policy

ISPUP is committed to comply with the personal data protection legislation in order to protect the data and privacy of employees, students and partners. As the controller, ISPUP commits to process all data collected during the application process according to the procedures defined in the data protection legislation and in accordance with the Privacy Policy.