



PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING THE OPENING OF A TENDER FOR THE AWARD OF ONE RESEARCH INITIATION FELLOWSHIP (BII) TO A GRADUATE ENROLLED IN AN INTEGRATED MASTER'S OR MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAM, WITHIN THE PROJECT "LOVE-WORD: LOCUS OF THE VERTEX EFFECT IN VISUAL WORD RECOGNITION", OF THE RESEARCH CENTER FOR PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE – CICPSI (REF. UIDB/04527/2020) FUNDED THROUGH THE FUNDAÇÃO PARA A CIÊNCIA E TECNOLOGIA, I.P. / MCTES BY NATIONAL FUNDS (PIDDAC)

Public notice regarding the award of one Research Initiation Fellowship – Graduate enrolled in an Integrated Master's or Master's Degree Program

Ref. FPUL/FCT/BII/2024/02

One Research Initiation Fellowship for a Graduate enrolled in an Integrated Master's or Master's Degree Program is available at the Faculdade de Psicologia da Universidade de Lisboa (Faculty of Psychology, University of Lisbon), within the Project "Love-Word: Locus of the Vertex Effect in Visual Word Recognition", of the Research Center for Psychological Science – CICPSI (Ref. UIDB/04527/2020) funded through the Fundação para a Ciência e Tecnologia, I.P. / MCTES by National Funds (PIDDAC), under the following terms and conditions:

A. Scientific Domain: Psychology and/or Cognitive Sciences.

Mandatory admission criteria:

1. Graduate Degree in Psychology or in a related area of the Cognitive Sciences (e.g., Computer Science, Neuroscience, Linguistics);
2. Registration and enrolment in a Master's Degree or Integrated Master's Program in Cognitive and Social Psychology or in Cognitive Science. **This condition will be verified until the date the contract is signed;**
3. Certified training or experience in Experimental Psychology research;
4. Immediate availability.

In addition, applicants must also meet the following requirements of Article 5 of the current FCT *Regulation of Studentships of Research* (Regulation no. 950/2019, of December 16, amended by Regulation no. 643/2021, of July 14):



- The fellowship holder does not exceed, with the conclusion of the fellowship contract in question, including any renewals, an accumulated period of one year in this type of fellowship, consecutive or interpolated;
- The fellowship holder has not been awarded a research grant directly or indirectly funded by the FCT, under the terms of the *Research Fellowship Holder Statute*.

These requirements will be verified by a declaration of honor sent by the candidate with the application.

NB: Applicants who do not fulfil the above mandatory admission criteria will be excluded outright.

B. Preferential admission criteria:

- Knowledge (demonstrated in the Motivation Letter) of Cognitive Science research in the field of visual word recognition and the neuronal recycling hypothesis;
- Good command of written and spoken English.

C. Goals and Plan of activities:

The fellowship holder will take part in various project tasks, namely:

- a) Collection of EEG data in the Faculty's Experimental Psychology laboratories;
- b) Pre-processing of EEG-ERP data and preparation of EEG-ERP databases;
- c) Analysis of behavioral results and preparation of ERP databases;
- d) Report on the statistical analysis of the EEG study.

D. Applicable legislation and regulation:

Research Fellowship Holder Statute, approved by Law No. 40/2004, of August 18, amended by Decree-Law No. 202/2012, of August 27, by Decree-Law No. 233/2012, of October 29, by Law No. 12/2013, of January 29, by Decree-Law No. 89/2013, of July 9, and by Decree-Law No. 123/2019, of August 28; *FCT Regulation for Research Studentships and Fellowships*, approved by the Regulation No. 950/2019, of December 16, and amended by Regulation No. 643/2021, of July 14; *Regulation of Research Fellowships of the University of Lisbon*, published by Order No. 6238/2020, of June 12 and amended by Order No. 8061/2022, of July 1.

E. Place of research activities:

The research activities will take place at the Research Center for Psychological Science of the Faculdade de Psicologia da Universidade de Lisboa, under the scientific supervision of Professor Tânia Fernandes.

F. Duration of the fellowship:

The fellowship, scheduled to start in July 2024, will be awarded for five (5) months.



G. Monthly allowance:

The fellowship amounts to €601,12 per month according to the table of maintenance allowances of FCT, I.P. in Portugal, published at <https://www.fct.pt/financiamento/programas-de-financiamento/bolsas/>. The fellowship will be paid monthly by bank transfer. In addition to this amount, there is a personal accident insurance.

The activities will be developed under exclusive dedication by the fellow, in accordance to the Article 5 of the *Research Fellowship Holder Statute*.

H. Selection methods:

H.1. The selection method to be used will be **Curricular Assessment (AC)**. The **Curricular Assessment corresponds to the Final Assessment (AF)** and will be carried out by applying the following formula:

$$AF = AC$$

Where AC = **Curricular Assessment**.

H.2. The **Curricular Assessment** aims to analyse the qualifications of the applicants and is expressed on a scale of 0 to 20 points, valued to the hundredths.

H.3. The following elements shall be considered and weighted in the **Curricular Assessment**:

- a) **Academic qualifications (HA)**;
- b) **Professional Experience (EP)**, focusing on the activities inherent to the required qualifications.
- c) **Other Preferential Factors (EP)** set out in the notice.

H.4. Taking into account the characteristics of the position, the **Final Assessment (AF)** will be carried out by applying the following formula:

$$AF = 0,3 HA + 0,4 EP + 0,3 FP$$

- a) The **Academic Qualifications (HA)** will graduate from 10 to 20 values, according to the academic degrees the applicants can prove they hold, as follows:
 - Final classification of the Graduate Degree in Psychology or related area of the Cognitive Sciences (e.g., Computer Science, Neuroscience, Linguistics), which will correspond to the applicant's final grade.
- b) The **Professional Experience (EP)** will take into account the nature of previous activities and experience in the area of activity for which this tender is open, namely in the following criteria:
 - Certified training and/or experience (including approval in Curricular Units on the subject) in experimental software such as E-Prime = **up to 10 points**;
 - Certified training and/or experience (including approval in Curricular Units on the subject) in electroencephalography (EEG) = **up to 5 points**;



- Certified training and/or experience in Experimental Psychology research = **up to 5 points**.
- c) **Preferential factors (FP)** will be graded taking into account the following scoring:
- Knowledge (demonstrated in the Motivation Letter) of Cognitive Science research in the field of visual word recognition and the neuronal recycling hypothesis = **up to 15 points**;
 - Good command of written and spoken English = **up to 5 points**.

H.5. Applicants whose application is evaluated with a final grade of less than 10 points are not eligible for a grant.

H.6. In the event of an equal score between candidates, preference will be given to the one whose profile is considered by the jury to be best suited to the tender position.

I. Selection Committee:

The selection committee is composed of Tânia Patrícia Gregório Fernandes, Assistant Professor of the Faculdade de Psicologia da Universidade de Lisboa, as president of the selection committee; Ana Luísa Nunes Raposo, Associate Professor of Faculdade de Psicologia da Universidade de Lisboa e Susana Manuela Silva Araújo, Assistant Researcher of Faculdade de Psicologia da Universidade de Lisboa, as effective members of the selection committee.

J. Publication / notification of results:

The final results of the assessment will be publicised by means of a draft ranking list, posted in a visible and public place at the Faculdade de Psicologia da Universidade de Lisboa, and published on the FPUL website at <https://www.psicologia.ulisboa.pt/sobre/rh/bolsas/>. Applicants may appeal against the draft final ranking list within 10 working days of its publication. The successful applicant will be notified by e-mail.

K. Application deadline and process:

The application period is open from the 7th to the 24th of June of 2024.

Applications must be completed by sending the following documents:

1. Application form, available at <https://www.psicologia.ulisboa.pt/sobre/rh/bolsas/>, dully filled;
2. Motivation letter, written in English, showing an interest in Cognitive Science research in the field of visual word recognition and the neuronal recycling hypothesis;
3. Curriculum Vitae;
4. Copy of certificate of the degree required for the current application, with the final grade.



Holders of academic degrees awarded by foreign higher education institutions must hold recognition of the academic degree required in this Public Notice in accordance with Decree-Law No. 66/2018, of August 16. **Recognition of the degrees, in accordance with the paragraph above, must be obtained until the date of the contract agreement signature, if the applicant ranked in the eligible position has obtained the academic degree required in this Public Notice abroad;**

5. Copy of the proof of registration and enrolment on the course required in this Public Notice. **The proof of registration and enrolment must be obtained until the date of the contract agreement signature.**
6. Declaration of honor attesting that the candidate complies with the terms and requirements of the Research Fellow Statute, namely those indicated in no. 4 and no. 5 of article 5, available at <https://www.psicologia.ulisboa.pt/sobre/rh/bolsas/> and duly completed;
7. Other elements that the applicant considers relevant to the application.

NB: the applicants who do not send in all of the above documents will be excluded.

The applications are to be sent exclusively via email to bolsasfp@psicologia.ulisboa.pt to the attention of Professor Tânia Fernandes and mentioning the reference of the fellowship (Ref. FPUL/FCT/BII/2024/02).

In attachment to this Public Notice are the templates of: the fellowship agreement (Anexo I); the final report of the fellow, to be submitted at the end of the fellowship (Anexo II); and the report of the scientific supervisor of the fellowship, to be submitted at the end of the fellowship (Anexo III). Also included are the assessment criteria for the final report of the fellow (Anexo IV).

Faculdade de Psicologia da Universidade de Lisboa,

The Dean

(Professor Telmo Mourinho Baptista)

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