

Research Grant

Ref: UIDB/04038/2020 – NOVA FCSH

The Centre for Research in Anthropology (CRIA), NOVA FCSH, opens a Call for one (1) research fellowship (Master's degree) under the pluri-annual funding R&D units (UID/04038/2020), funded by national funds through FCT/MCTES (PIDDAC).

Scientific Domain: Anthropology

Admission Requirements

General:

Candidates should hold a Master's degree in Social Sciences or Humanities (Anthropology, History, Sociology or related areas) and be enrolled (or in condition to enrol) for a Doctorate in a related area or non-degree courses (according to Article 6 of the current Regulations for Research Grants of the Foundation for Science and Technology, I.P.).

Specific:

Fluency in English language (oral and written)

Fluency in Bissau Guinean Creole (oral) and/or Portuguese (oral and written)

Experience in transcribing, storing and organising qualitative data

Knowledge of human-wildlife interactions and environmental anthropology

Desirable:

Experience using NVivo or other similar software

An interest in conservation especially in West African contexts

Excellent written and verbal communication skills

Proven ability to write reports

Ability to work within a team

Strong problem-solving and time-management skills

Work Plan

The selected candidate must carry out the following tasks associated with the exploratory research project "LEKWild – Outside Conservation: exploring the role of local ecological knowledge in the long-term persistence of western chimpanzees (*Pan troglodytes verus*) outside protected areas in Guinea-Bissau, West Africa", in close collaboration with the project team:

- Assist in transcription, translation, storage and organisation of both qualitative and quantitative data from pilot study (taking place November-December 2022)
- Assist with analysis of pilot study data
- Assist with review and readjustment of methodology for the next period of fieldwork in the study (expected to be February-May 2023)
- Assist with the development of questionnaires, semi-structured interviews and other methods to be confirmed, for the next period of fieldwork
- Collaborate with research team in preparation of reports

Applicable legislation and regulations: Research Grant Holder Statute, approved by Law no. 40/2004 of 18th August, in its current wording published by Decree-Law no. 123/2019 of 28th August; Research Grant regulations of the Foundation for Science and Technology, I.P. – in force and available at:

<https://www.fct.pt/apoios/bolsas/docs/RegulamentoBolsasFCT2019.pdf>

Workplace: The workplace is located at CRIA NOVA FCSH and/or other places necessary for the development of research activities

Duration of the scholarship: The scholarship is for a period of 3 months, scheduled to begin on 1st January 2023.

Amount of the monthly maintenance allowance: The amount corresponds to €1,144.64 according to Annex I – Table of monthly maintenance allowances of the FCT Research Grants Regulations in force. The grant will be paid monthly by bank transfer.

Supervision: Professor Tânia Minhós.

Selection methods:

- (1) Curriculum Vitae Evaluation (50). To be considered:
 - a. The specific and preferential factors for admission to the competition
 - b. Experience in relevant work/areas of research
- (2) Motivation Letter Evaluation (50%). To be considered:
 - a. Well-articulated reason for interest in the position
 - b. Convincing proposal for why the candidate should be chosen

Candidates will be classified and ranked, according to the previous criteria, on a scale of 0 to 100.

At the end of the CV evaluation, the top three candidates will be invited for an interview.

The final classification will be given by the score of the curricular evaluation (70%) and by the score of the interview (30%).

In case of a tie, the chair of the selection committee has a casting vote.

The jury reserves the right not to award a scholarship if no candidate meets the required profile.

Composition of the Selection Board: Professor Tânia Minhós (Chair), Professor Amélia Frazão-Moreira, Chloe Chesney

Form of publication/notification of results: All candidates will be notified of the final results through email.

Application deadline: The call is open from October 10 to October 23.

Application submission: Applications, in Portuguese or English, must be submitted on the CRIA website, at <https://cria.org.pt/en/jobs-scholarships> accompanied by the following documentation:

- Motivation Letter
- Curriculum Vitae
- Certificates of academic qualifications, specifying the final classification and, if possible, the marks obtained in all the subjects taken
- Proof of enrollment in a doctoral programme or course not conferring an academic degree

Although the beneficiaries must be enrolled in a study cycle or non-degree course, it is not required at the application stage for the candidate to be already enrolled.

Applications submitted by other means will not be considered. Candidates who formalise their application incorrectly or who do not prove the requirements will be excluded from admission to the competition. In case of doubt, the selection board may require any candidate to produce documents to support their statements.

* Academic degrees obtained abroad require recognition by a Portuguese Institution according to [Decree Law no. 66/2018](#) of 16th August and [Ordinance no. 33/2019](#), of 25th January. The presentation of the recognition is mandatory for the signing of the contract.

More information can be found at: <https://www.dges.gov.pt/pt/pagina/reconhecimento?plid=374>.