

## PhD Research Scholarship

Ref: ReSpell\_1\_2023

The Centre for Research in Anthropology (CRIA) opens a Call for one (1) Ph.D. Research Scholarship under the project *Religion, Spirituality and Wellbeing: a Comparative Approach of Transreligiosity and Crisis in Southern Europe* (ReSpell), funded by national funds through FCT/MCTES (PIDDAC), with the reference 2022.01229.PTDC.

**Main Research Field:** Anthropology

### Admission requirements

#### General:

- 1) applicants must hold a Master's degree in Anthropology or in other Social Sciences and Humanities related to the work programs;
- 2) be enrolled (or able to enroll) in a Ph.D. program in the field of Anthropology or related areas (according to Article 6 of the Regulation for Research Grants of the Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, I.P.).

#### Specific:

- a) Knowledge of qualitative methodologies, preferably ethnographic (fieldwork, interviews, participant observation);
- b) Research experience in religion, spirituality and well-being in Portugal;
- c) Availability to do comparative fieldwork in Portugal, Spain and Greece, according to the requirements of the project;
- d) Fluency in Portuguese and English;

#### Desirable:

- a) Ability to work within a team
- b) Experience in scientific and/or academic organization and/or management activities.

#### Work program:

The selected candidate must perform the following tasks associated with the ReSpell research project (ref: 2022.01229.PTDC) in close collaboration with the team members, under the supervision Eugenia Roussou, principal investigator of the project:

- a) Collecting and analysing bibliographical sources on religion, spirituality and well-being and building a database on these themes;
- b) Design and carry out fieldwork with participant observation, interviews and comparative research, as well as writing detailed field notes on the information collected in the field regarding the object of study;
- c) Participate in meetings, conferences and other events of the project team;

- d) Participating with scientific communications, in scientific meetings with peer review;
- e) Participating in the organisation, coordination and/or scientific management activities of the project.

The candidate must include in the work program a doctoral project, being at the end of the research scholarship period in conditions to submit a doctoral thesis for defense. This project will be supervised by team members.

**Applicable legislation and regulations:** This competition is regulated by the Statute of Research Fellows, approved by Law No. 40/2004 of August 18, in the current wording published by Decree-Law No. 123/2019 of August 28; Regulation of Research Grants from the Foundation for Science and Technology, I.P. – current and available at: <https://www.fct.pt/en/financiamento/programas-de-financiamento/bolsas/>

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

**Duration:** The scholarship has a duration of 12 months and is expected to start on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, renewable up to a maximum of 36 months

**Activity Regime:** The attribution of the scholarship does not generate or entitle a legal-labor relationship, it is carried out on an exclusive dedication basis under the terms of the Research Scholarship Holder Statute.

**Amount:** The scholarship amount corresponds to € 1 199,64 according to Annex I – Table of monthly maintenance allowances, based on FCT Rules for Research Fellowships in effect. In addition, there is a corresponding voluntary social insurance, if the candidate chooses to assign it.

**Selection process:**

- 1) Evaluation of the Curriculum Vitae (50%), taking into account:
  - a. The specific and preferential factors for admission to the competition
  - b. Experience in relevant work/areas of research
- 2) Assessment of the Letter of Motivation (50%), taking into account:
  - a. Reason for applying to the position;
  - b. Reason 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 Evaluation of the Curriculum Vitae will prevail.

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

**Selection Committee:**

Dr. Eugenia Roussou, CRIA ISCTE (Chair)

Dr. Anastasios Panagiotopoulos, CRIA NOVA-FCSH

Dr. Vera Lazzaretti, CRIA ISCTE

**Notification of results:** All candidates will be notified of the final results via e-mail.

**Application submission and deadline:** The call is open from **April 24** to **May 10** 2023.

**Formalization of the application:**

Applications must be submitted via CRIA's website, at <https://cria.org.pt/pt/emprego-e-bolsas>, in Portuguese or in English, accompanied by the following documentation:

- Letter of motivation;
- Curriculum vitae;
- Certificate(s) of academic degrees, with a detailed record of the grades, course subjects and final grade (if applicable);
- Proof of enrollment in a Ph.D. Program.

Although the recipients must be enrolled in a doctoral programme, at the time of application it is not necessary for the candidate to have made such an enrollment.

Applications submitted by other means will not be considered. Candidates who formalize their application incorrectly or 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 in accordance with Decree-Law no. 66/2018, of August 16th, and Ordinance no. 33/2019, January 25th. The presentation of the recognition is mandatory for the signature of the contract.

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