

NOTICE N.º 15/2025

OPEN CALL FOR RESEARCH GRANT APPLICATION WITHIN THE TERMS LAID DOWN OF THE REGULATIONS FOR RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIPS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALGARVE

TITLE: Research Grant - Degree, 1 vacancy

It is now open a call for 1 Research Grant – Degree within the project P/S MERCATOR OCEAN:24263L01-COP-INNO USER-9000, with the following conditions:

Research Field: Geosciences, Biological Sciences or Environmental Sciences

Admission Requirements: Degree in Geosciences, Biological Sciences or Environmental Sciences, experience in organising and planning sampling campaigns, preferably in the Ria Formosa lagoon system, experience in handling oceanographic equipment and preferably multi-parametric probes, experience in writing reports, immediate availability to start this research fellowship. Preference will be given to those who are able to travel to the site of the probe by their own means (type B driving licence).

Work Plan: Organising and planning sampling campaigns in the area where a multi-parametric probe will be installed in the Ria Formosa, taking part in installing the probe and geo-referencing the site, regularly taking part in the maintenance and calibration of the probe, downloading the data to a computer, ensuring that the probe works properly and transmitting the acquired data to the CONNECT platform, taking part in writing up reports and/or writing communications and scientific papers. The main objective will be to guarantee the operation of the multiparameter probe acquiring data in quasi-real time for one year and its transmission to the CONNECT platform.

Applicable legislation and regulations: Statute of the Scientific Research Fellow, approved by Law nº 40/2004, of August 18, in the current wording conferred by Decree-Law nº 123/2019, of August 28 and the Regulation of Research Grants of the University of Algarve (<https://files.dre.pt/2s/2021/10/210000000/0013700149.pdf>).

Working place: The work will be carried out at the Chemical Oceanography Laboratory, 1.76 of CIMA, at the University of the Algarve, under the scientific supervision of Dr Alexandra Cravo, Dr José Jacob and Dr Erwan Garel..

Duration of the grant: The grant will have a first contract of 12 months duration, beginning on the 1 April 2025. The scholarship contract may be renewable until the end of the project. (considering UAlg's Research Grants Regulation. (<https://files.dre.pt/2s/2021/10/210000000/0013700149.pdf>)).

Value of monthly maintenance allowance: The monthly maintenance allowance corresponds to 1040,98 euros. The maintenance allowance will be paid monthly by bank transfer.

Selection criteria will be as follows: Curriculum Evaluation, interview,... with the respective score

In accordance with nº2 of the article 11º of the Regulation of Research Grants of the University of Algarve, the selection criteria will be the merit of the candidate (academic qualifications, curriculum pathway, experience required in the admission requirements), with a respective value of 20.

The assessment process may include an interview to be carried out by the candidates or part of them, to be selected by the assessment panel, which if carried out will have a maximum weight of 20 per cent (4 points).

The selection method to be used will be based on curricular assessment, with a respective value of:

- 25% in degree classification (maximum 5 out of 20)
- 25% experience in handling oceanographic equipment, preferably multi-parametric probes (maximum 5 out of 20);
- 20% experience in organising and planning sampling campaigns (maximum 4 out of 20 points);
- 17.5% knowledge of the Ria Formosa lagoon system (maximum 3.5 out of 20);
- 7.5% experience in writing reports and/or scientific communications (maximum 1.5 out of 20)
- 5 % ability to travel independently to the site where the probe will be installed (maximum 1 out of 20 points).

The tender jury shall comprise the following members:

Alexandra Cravo (President)
José Jacob (Effective member)
Erwan Garel (Effective member)
Joaquim Luís (Substitute member)

Publication and notification of the results: Final results will be publicized through an ordered list according to the final grade and posted in a conspicuous and public local of Building 7 at CIMA and communicated to the applicants by e-mail to the addresses indicated by each candidate.

Deadline for applications and submission forms: the call is open from **27/02/2025 a 13/03/2025.**

Applications must be accompanied by the following documents:

Official identification document (simple copy or legal equivalent). If you have a nationality other than Portuguese, you should present a residence permit, permanent residence certificate or long-term resident status, valid on the scholarship start date, any of which may be replaced, in its absence, by a declaration of commitment. However, one of the previous must be delivered at the contracting phase, under penalty of forfeiture of the granting of the scholarship;

Copy of the qualification certificates of the academic degrees held, specifying the final classification and, if possible, the classifications obtained in all subjects taken;

If the doctorate has been awarded by a foreign higher education institution, it must conform to the rules established in Decree-Law no. 66/2018 of August 16, and all required formalities must be complied with up to the date of termination deadline for submission of the application. If the completed process is not found until the end of the application deadline, the candidate must prove that he / she has requested the recognition of the degree.

Curriculum Vitae;

Passport or identification card for European applicants (copy);

Taxpayer Identification Number (NIF), if you have a nationality other than Portuguese, it must be submitted during the scholarship contracting phase, under penalty of forfeiture of the scholarship award;

Other documents considered important

The Application Request, dated and signed, must be addressed to the President of the Evaluation Panel (<https://www.ualg.pt/sites/default/files/documentos/2022-12/anexo-iii-requerimento-para-candidatura-bolsa-en.pdf>). for the following address: Alexandra Cravo, Universidade do Algarve/FCT, Edifício 7, Campus de Gambelas, 8005-139 Faro, Ref.^a (**Edital Nº 15/2025**) or by email to the Scientific Coordinator acravo@ualg.pt. If the Application Request is sent by email, the applicant must duly express his/her consent that all notifications regarding this application are sent to the email address given.

-Supporting documents stating that the applicant gathers all the requirements for this grant, namely the enrolment certificate in an awarding degree study cycle or in a postgraduate course;

-Supervisor Declaration taking the responsibility for the Work plan supervision, according to article 5º-A of the Statute of Scientific Research Fellow, as well as assuring the necessary conditions for the development of the work plan and in compliance with article 13 º of the Statute of Scientific Research Fellow;

-Declaration of the Grant acceptance;

-Declaration of commitment stating the exclusivity regime

Complaints and Appeal Deadlines and procedures

On the decision for granting the Research Grant, candidates may, if they wish, comment on the hearing of interested parties, within 10 working days, under the terms provided for in the Administrative Procedure Code.

From the practice or omission of any act of the evaluation panel, candidates can complain to the body, within 10 working days.

The final decision of the evaluation panel can be appealed to the Rector within 15 working days after the respective notification.

scholarship contract

With the applicant(s) selected, and after receiving all the required documentation, a scholarship contract will be signed in accordance with the attached model.

Assessment of the scholarship holder(s)

At the end of each period of duration of the scholarship contract, the activity developed by the scholarship holder(s) is evaluated by the supervisor, by applying the following criteria, in accordance with the attached model:

- ability to work autonomously
- ability to understand and apply techniques relating to the operation of the multiparameter probe and its maintenance
- ability to work and get involved in teamwork
- ability to analyse and interpret scientific data
- ability to publicise the project and disseminate its data

University of the Algarve reserves the right to cancel this application procedure if by any means the contract celebration with the funding entity is not established.

University of Algarve, 24/02/2024

Scientific Coordinator

Doutor Alexandra Cravo