

**ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE AWARD OF 1 RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP, REF.:
E2S/CISA/BIONORTHEALTH/BI/2025/04**

A call is open for the award of 1 Research Scholarship for a Bachelor's degree holder enrolled in a PhD programme or a Master's degree holder enrolled in a Doctoral Program or a Non-Degree Course, at CISA - LAQV/REQUIMTE Pole of E2S/P.PORTO, within the scope of the BioNortHealth Project: Creation of a Cohort of Adolescents and Young Adults Supported by Digital Biobanks, funded by the Project integrated into the RE-C06-i07 - Impulso Mais Digital | Reform and Modernization of Medicine - NORTE+ SAÚDE | Digital Transition and Innovation in Health Education Initiative, under the Recovery and Resilience Plan (PRR), under the following conditions:

1) SCIENTIFIC AREA(S)

Health Sciences

2) ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

a) General Requirements

- a) Bachelor's degree holders enrolled, at the time of the scholarship contract, in a PhD programme;
- b) Master's degree holders enrolled, at the time of scholarship contract, in a PhD programme or a non-degree awarding course integrated into the educational project of a higher education institution, developed in association or cooperation with one or more R&D units;
- c) Applicants may apply without prior enrolment in a PhD programme or a non-degree awarding course. However, the requirement of enrolment in a non-degree awarding course must be met by the time of the scholarship contract;
- d) To formalise the scholarship contract, the selected candidate must provide valid proof of enrolment in a PhD programme or a non-degree awarding course, issued by the academic services of the higher education institution, indicating the current academic year or the course duration (start and end dates).

b) Specific Requirements

- a) Academic qualifications: Master's/Bachelor's degree in Health Sciences or related scientific fields;
- b) Must not have received a non-degree awarding research scholarship for a cumulative period of 2 years (whether consecutive or not).

Applicants who obtained their degree abroad must have their degree recognised in Portugal, including the conversion of their final grade to the Portuguese grading scale, in accordance with Decree-Law no. 66/2018, of August 16.

Preferential Factors:

Preference will be given to candidates with experience and skills in:

- a) Knowledge and experience in using qualitative and/or quantitative research methodologies, demonstrable through co-authorship of publications or reports (documentary proof required);

- b) Research experience involving qualitative and/or quantitative methodologies, including data collection and analysis, specifying the research tasks in which the candidate was involved (e.g., submission of a master's dissertation/ bachelor's project or a statement from a project supervisor);
- c) (Co-)authorship of scientific publications (documentary proof required);
- d) Proficiency in English (to be assessed during the interview if the candidate is not a native English speaker);
- e) Proficiency in Portuguese (to be assessed during the interview if the candidate is not a native Portuguese speaker);
- f) Immediate availability (to be stated in the motivation letter).

3. WORK PLAN

The research aims to contribute to the Creation of a Cohort of Adolescents and Young Adults Supported by Digital Biobanks (BioNorthHealth) at the School of Health Sciences. The tasks to be developed at CISA - LAQV/REQUIMTE Hub at E2S/P.PORTO are:

- a) Collaborate in the organization of the entire ethical-legal process;
- b) Recruitment of participants;
- c) Conducting research and transforming it into data;
- d) Data analysis and processing;
- e) Dissemination of results in the form of oral communications, posters and writing of scientific articles.

4. APPLICABLE LEGISLATION AND REGULATIONS

- Law No. 40/2004, of August 18, amended by Decree-Law No. 202/2012, of August 27, Decree-Law No. 233/2012, of October 29, Law No. 12/2013, of January 29, Decree-Law No. 89/2013, of July 9, Decree-Law No. 123/2019, of August 28, and Decree-Law No. 65/2024, of October 1;
- P.PORTO Research Scholarship Regulations (P.PORTO/P-001/2020), approved by Order P.PORTO-P-015-2020;
- FCT, I.P. Research Scholarship Regulations, No. 950/2019, of December 16, amended by Regulation No. 643/2021, published in the 2nd series of the Diário da República No. 135, of July 14.

5. SCIENTIFIC SUPERVISION AND WORK LOCATION

The research will be conducted at the at the CISA - Hub of LAQV/REQUIMTE at E2S/P.PORTO, under the scientific supervision of Professor Agostinho Luís da Silva Cruz, Professor Diana Cristina Dias da Silva and Professor Edgar Augusto Costa Pinto.

6. DURATION AND WORKING REGIME

The scholarship contract has a duration of 18 months, under an exclusive dedication regime, in accordance with the applicable regulations.

7. MONTHLY MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE

The scholarship amount is €1,259.64, according to the current FCT table, paid monthly, plus voluntary social insurance reimbursement, as stipulated in the regulations and in Expense Authorization Request No. ESS-6294.

8. SELECTION METHOD AND JURY COMPOSITION

The selection methods are curriculum evaluation (CE) and, if deemed necessary by the jury, an interview (I) conducted partially in English, to the candidates best positioned in the CE, with a maximum of 5 (five). The interview, if carried out, will have a weight of 40% for the final classification. The final classification, after the interview will be obtained using the formula: $CE * 0.6 + I * 0.4$, on a 0-100 points scale. If there is no interview, the final grade will be the same as that obtained in the curriculum evaluation.

a) The weighting criteria for the curricular evaluation (CE) are:

- i) Academic/professional trajectory and its suitability to the project's themes and activities – 25%;
- ii) Knowledge and proven experience in data collection and analysis methods using qualitative and/or quantitative methodologies – 10%;
- iii) Experience of participating in R&D projects, including those leading to the obtaining of a degree – 25%;
- iv) Co-authorship of scientific publications – 25%;
- v) Motivation and interest in the collection of longitudinal health data and health data processing – 15%.

b) In the interview (I), if it is carried out, the following will be assessed:

- i) Ability to express oneself and to speak fluently in Portuguese and English (20%);
- ii) Specific knowledge to carry out the work plan (40%);
- iii) Personal attitude and communication (20%);
- iv) Ability and motivation to work in a team (20%).

In case of a tie, candidates will be broken, successively, by holding a master's degree and the average degree they hold.

Candidates may be excluded if:

- a) They do not meet the mandatory requirements (see section 2);
- b) They score below 9.5 in any evaluation component, disqualifying them from subsequent stages;
- c) They fail to attend the interview or do not to provide additional information when requested, considered as withdrawal from the competition.

Jury Composition:

Jury President:

Professor Agostinho Luís da Silva Cruz, Professor at E2S|P.PORTO

Effective Vowels:

Professor Marlene Elisabete Moreira Santos, Professor at E2S|P.PORTO

Professor Diana Cristina Dias da Silva, Professor at E2S|P.PORTO

Substitute Members:

Professor Piedade Aurora Gonçalves Ramos, Professor at E2S|P.PORTO

Professor Manuela Vieira da Silva, Professor at E2S|P.PORTO

9. RESULTS NOTIFICATION

The competition results will be communicated to candidates electronically via the platform at <https://domus.ipp.pt/concursos/ess/pessoal/>, within the deadlines established in P.PORTO's Research Scholarship Regulations.

10. APPLICATION PERIOD AND SUBMISSION

The application period is open for 10 business days, from February 18 to March 3, 2025.

Applications must be submitted through the electronic application form available at <https://www.ess.ipp.pt/ess/recrutamento/bolsas-de-investigacao/bolsas-de-investigacao>, along with the following documents:

- 1) Curriculum Vitae;
- 2) Degree Certificates;
- 3) Proof of enrollment in a doctoral program or non-degree granting course;
- 4) Declaration of honor to present proof of enrollment at the time of contracting if not enrolled at the time of application;
- 5) Motivation letter;
- 6) Declaration of honor stating:
 - a) Awareness of P.PORTO's Research Scholarship Regulations and commitment to comply;
 - b) Not exceeding a cumulative period of 2 years in non-degree research scholarships;
- 7) Other relevant documents.

Notes:

- The supporting documents referred to in number 2, of the ownership of academic degrees and diplomas, or of their respective recognition when they have been awarded by foreign higher education institutions, may be waived at the application stage, being replaced by a declaration of honor by the candidate, with this condition being verified only at the scholarship contracting stage;
- The proof referred to in number 3 may not be submitted, and the granting of the scholarship will be subject to valid registration within six months from the date of communication of approval in the scientific evaluation;
- Applications sent via email or any other electronic means other than that specified will not be accepted.

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February 14, 2025 – The President of the School of Health of the Polytechnic Institute of Porto, Professor Maria Cristina Prudêncio Pereira Soares