

**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR TWO RESEARCH STUDENTSHIPS FOR THE PROJECT “CLIMACTIVECITIZEN: CONNECTING CITIZENSHIP AND SCIENCE FOR CLIMATE ADAPTATION” (CLIMACTIC) (GRANT NO. NORTE-01-0145-FEDER-000071), AT THE CENTRE FOR RESEARCH AND INTERVENTION IN EDUCATION (CIIE) OF THE FACULTY OF PSYCHOLOGY AND EDUCATION SCIENCES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF PORTO**

The Faculty of Psychology and Education Sciences of the University of Porto (FPCEUP) welcomes applications for two (2) research studentships for the project “ClimActiveCitizen: Connecting Citizenship and Science for Climate Adaptation” (ClimActiC), funded by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF), through NORTE 2020 – Norte Regional Operational Programme (grant No. NORTE-01-0145-FEDER-000071), and developed at the Centre for Research and Intervention in Education (CIIE) of the Faculty of Psychology and Education Sciences of the University of Porto. The project is coordinated by Isabel Menezes and co-coordinated by Ana Cristina Torres.

**1. Research field / Scientific area:** Educational Sciences

**2. Admission requirements:**

To apply for the research studentships, applicants must comply with the following requirements, for which documentary evidence must be provided:

- a) Be a student enrolled in a master’s programme in Educational Sciences, a requirement to be duly proven at the time of signing the contract;
- b) Hold a degree in Educational Sciences, Psychology or other Social Sciences, or in other areas relevant to the project (e.g., Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Engineering);
- c) Have experience of participating in research initiatives and/or educational, community or activist intervention, preferably in the field of environmental education or of education for sustainability.

*If the candidate holds a degree awarded by a foreign higher education institution, it must be recognised by a Portuguese higher education institution, in accordance with the provisions of article 25 of Decree-Law no. 66/2018 of 16 August, which approves the legal regime for the recognition of academic degrees and higher education diplomas awarded by foreign higher education institutions and Article 4 (2) (e) of Decree-Law no. 60/2018 of 3 August, and any formalities established therein be fulfilled up to the date of the contracting act.*

**3. Preferred requirements:**

The preferred requirements, for which documentary evidence must be provided, are:

- a) Enrollment in the specific domain “Education for Climate Change and Sustainability” at the Master’s Programme in Educational Sciences at FPCEUP;
- b) Previous training and/or experience in research methodologies in social sciences, in areas relevant to the project (e.g., environmental education, education on climate change, education for citizenship, education for sustainability, teacher education and professional development, ...), preferably in participatory research methodologies;
- c) Experience in organising knowledge dissemination activities, including community involvement activities, with non-academic audiences;
- d) (Co)authorship of scientific publications;
- e) Fluency (oral and written) in English and in Portuguese (in case the candidate does not have a certificate of competences, a can sworn statement might be provided);
- f) Willingness to travel frequently throughout the North of Portugal (to be declared in the motivation letter).

#### **4. Work plan:**

Activities and tasks to be developed include:

- a) Collaboration in the development of two project work packages (collaborative work with schools and communities);
- b) Participation in activities of data collection and analysis;
- c) Collaboration in the writing of scientific reports and articles and presentation of papers at scientific meetings;
- d) Contact and communication with partner institutions and participants;
- e) Support project management and administrative tasks, carrying out necessary activity to achieve the planned objectives.

#### **5. Applicable Legislation and Regulation:**

Portuguese Law no. 40/2004, dated August 18 (Scientific Research Fellow Statute) in its current wording; and University of Porto’s Regulation for Research Studentships and Fellowships, approved by the Regulation no. 184/2021, dated March 3.

#### **6. Workplace:**

The workplace shall be at CIIE facilities at FPCEUP, Rua Alfredo Allen, 4200-135 Porto, and at other places where the project will be implemented, under the supervision of Isabel Menezes and Ana Cristina Torres.

## 7. Duration:

Each studentship has an initial duration of 12 months, on an exclusive basis, possibly renewable for equal or different time periods, until the end of the project, depending on the project scientific needs and financial provisions.

## 8. Monthly allowance:

The monthly stipend is 835,98 Euros, according to the table of grant amounts for positions held in Portugal (<https://www.fct.pt/apoios/bolsas/valores.phtml.en>). Payment will be made by FPCEUP through bank transfer. In addition, the studentship holder will be covered by a personal accident insurance.

## 9. Evaluation methods:

Evaluation methods are: curricular evaluation (AC) and, if the panel deems it necessary, an interview (E), partially in English, to the highest ranked candidates (max. of three) in curricular evaluation. The interview (E), if necessary, will have a weight of 30% to the final score. In case an interview is held, the final score (FS) is calculated according to the formula  $AC * 0,7 + E * 0,3$ , expressed on a scale of 0 to 100 points. If there is no interview, the final score will be the same as the one obtained at AC.

The evaluation criteria and weighing factors are as follows:

- a) Academic/professional path and the adequacy of the area and of training path to the project – 25%;
- b) Proven experience in data collection and analysis methods in areas relevant to the project – 20%;
- c) Proven experience in research and/or educational and community intervention, including in the field of socio-environmental activism and in the dissemination of knowledge – 20%;
- d) Scientific production – 15%;
- e) Expressed motivation, at the motivation letter, to develop a master's project in the ClimActiC area – 20%.

If the interview is held, it will be evaluated the candidates ability to express themselves in Portuguese and English language, specific knowledge to carry out the work plan, and the attitude, behaviour and interaction with the panel.

*Based on the final ranking list, a reserve list will be created, which will be used until June 2022, or the possible hiring of new grant recipients under this project. In the event that none of the candidates demonstrates to have the profile indicated for the execution of the work plan, the selection panel reserves the right not to award the studentships.*

## 10. Selection panel:

Chairperson: Isabel Menezes, Full Professor at FPCEUP and PI of the project;

Members: Ana Cristina Torres, Researcher at CIIE/FPCEUP and Co-PI of the project; Carla Malafaia, Researcher at CIIE/FPCEUP;

Alternate member: Amélia Lopes, Full Professor at FPCEUP.

## 11. Disclosure of the results:

Evaluation results will be communicated by email to the address provided by the candidates in the application form.

In compliance with the provisions of the Article 121 of the Code of Administrative Procedure (“Código do Procedimento Administrativo”), after being notified, candidates have 10 working days to submit a formal rebuttal.

The final decision must be taken within a maximum period of 60 working days after the conclusion of the preliminary hearing of interested parties or of the public consultation.

## 12. Submission of applications:

The call for applications is open until September 28, 2021.

Applications and all the supporting documents described in this call must be submitted by email to [candidaturasrh@sp.up.pt](mailto:candidaturasrh@sp.up.pt), and also to [imenezes@fpce.up.pt](mailto:imenezes@fpce.up.pt) and [acctorres@fpce.up.pt](mailto:acctorres@fpce.up.pt). In the subject of the message, please include the reference of the post “FPCEUP | 2 BI | CIIE 2021 – ClimActiC.

The following documents are mandatory, under penalty of exclusion from the competition:

- a) Motivation letter;
- b) *Curriculum vitae*;
- c) Copy of the certificate(s) of the required qualifications (degree);
- d) Supporting documents considered relevant for assessing the eligibility of the application and for proving the experience and knowledge declared;
- e) When applicable, a sworn statement declaring he/she meets the level of English-language requirement;
- f) Other supporting documents that the candidate deems relevant for the assessment of their merits.

*Documents must be attached directly to the application message, without links to external platforms/drives.*

*In order to guarantee the reading of all documents, the preferred recording format is the Portable Document Format (.pdf). The files must be named with the candidate's first and last name and must not exceed, as a whole, 5 MB. These can be compressed in .zip format.*

**13.** The University of Porto actively promotes a policy of non-discrimination and equal access so that no applicant may be privileged, benefited, damaged, or deprived of any right or exempted from any duty due to ancestry, age, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, family situation, economic situation, education, origin or social condition, genetic heritage, reduced work capacity, disability, chronic disease, nationality, ethnic origin or race, territory of origin, language, religion, political or ideological convictions, and trade union membership.