

**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR A RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP (BI) IN CRIMINOLOGY, UNDER THE PROJECT “VICTORY - RESTORATIVE AND VICTIM-CENTRED APPROACH TO MITIGATE HATE AND (VIOLENT) EXTREMISM”, IN PROGRESS AT THE “CENTER FOR INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH ON JUSTICE” (CIJ) UNDERWAY AT THE FACULTY OF LAW OF THE UNIVERSITY OF PORTO (FDUP)**

Applications are now open for a Research Scholarship for the development of R&D activities in the area of Criminology, within the scope of the Project “VicTory - Restorative and victim-centred approach to mitigate hate and (violent) extremism”, Ref no. 101160555, funded by the European Commission through the JUSTICE program, under the following conditions:

**1. Research area/s:** Criminology

**2. Admission requirements:**

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

- a) Master's degree in Criminology<sup>1</sup>;
- b) Be a student enrolled in a PhD in the field of Criminology<sup>2</sup> or enrolled in a non-degree course as part of the educational project of a higher education institution, developed in association or cooperation with one or more R&D units (requirement to be duly proven at the time of hiring).

**3. Preferred requirements:**

- a) Participation in Research & Development (R&D) projects or activities related to intervention with victims of crime;
- b) Solid knowledge of qualitative and quantitative scientific methodologies within the scope of the project;
- c) Skills in using statistical analysis software (SPSS);
- d) Publication of at least one scientific article/chapter;
- e) Solid knowledge of the English language.

<sup>1</sup>If the academic degree was awarded by a foreign higher education institution, it must be recognized by a Portuguese higher education institution, under the terms of article 25 of Decree-Law no. 66/2018, of August 16, which approves the legal framework 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 August 3, and any formalities set out therein must be fulfilled by the date of the act of hiring.

<sup>2</sup>At the time of signing the contract, the candidate must provide proof of enrollment in a PhD program in Criminology.

#### **4. Work Plan:**

The work plan will be developed within the scope of the project “VicTory - Restorative and victim-centred approach to mitigate hate and (violent) extremism”, comprising the following activities:

- a) Research and review of scientific literature, documents and legal diplomas in the area of intervention and protection of victims, especially of crimes of violent extremism and hate crimes.
- b) Preparation of handbooks, technical reports and other outputs within the scope of the project;
- c) Construction and application of online surveys and statistical analysis of the data collected;
- d) Participating in research meetings as part of the project;
- e) Participation in activities to disseminate the knowledge produced (e.g. articles and oral communications).

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

Research Scholarship Statute - Law No. 40/2004, of August 18; the University of Porto Research Scholarship Regulation – Regulation 184/2021, of March 3; subsidiarily, FCT, I.P. Research Scholarship Regulation - Regulation No. 950/2019, of November 29; Legal Regime for the Recognition of academic degrees and diplomas of higher education awarded by foreign higher education institutions - Decree-Law No. 66/2018, of August 16; Administrative Procedure Code (CPA) - Decree-Law No. 4/2015, of January 7.

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

The work plan will be developed at the CIJ – Center for Interdisciplinary Research in Justice at the Faculty of Law, University of Porto, and/or other locations necessary for implementation, under the scientific supervision of Professor Doctor Inês Maria Ermida de Sousa Guedes, Assistant Professor at FDUP and Principal Investigator of the Project.

#### **7. Duration:**

The scholarship will last for 6 months. The scholarship contract, on an exclusive basis, may be renewed, for equal or different periods, during the eligibility of the current funding of the research project, according to institutional needs and financial availability, up to the maximum limit of the duration of the project (October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026), and may under no circumstances exceed the limits defined in the Regulations for the type of scholarship in question.

#### **8. Monthly maintenance allowance amount:**

**8.1.** The monthly maintenance allowance for the studentship is 1259,64,98€, in accordance with Annex I of the Research Grants Regulation of the University of Porto, updated by Rectoral Order No. GR04/02/2024 of February 14, 2024.

**8.2.** Payment will be made by FDUP by bank transfer. In addition to this allowance, the studentship holder will be covered by personal accident insurance.

**8.3.** The studentship holder can join the Voluntary Social Insurance Scheme (valid for a studentship contract of six months or more), which is optional and the reimbursement corresponds to the 1<sup>st</sup> step of the contribution base.

## **9. Evaluation methods:**

**9.1.** The selection methods are as follows Curricular assessment (AC) and, if the jury deems it necessary, a selection interview (E). If there is one, the interview will be given to the three (3) best marks in the AC. The final classification will be obtained by the following formula:  $(0.6 \times AC) + (0.4 \times E)$ . If there is no interview, the final classification will be the same as that obtained in the CA.

**9.2.** Each member of the Jury will assess the selection methods on a scale of 0 to 20 points.

**9.3.** Factors for the **Curricular Assessment** (scale from 0 to 20 points) are:

a) Academic record (PA) (bachelor's degree classification (30%) and master's degree classification (70%) - (0 to 20 points) with a weighting of 75%.

If the candidate holds a qualification from a foreign higher education institution and does not submit the respective recognition of the diploma and conversion of the final classification by a Portuguese higher education institution by the closing date for the submission of applications, they will be classified in this sub-criterion with a score of 10 points.

b) Research Experience (EI) (0 to 20 points) with a weighting of 25%.

The sub-criterion provided for in point b) is valued as follows:

- participation in 1 research project or 1 scientific publication - 10 points;
- participation in 2 research projects or 2 scientific publications - 15 points;
- participation in 3 or more research projects or 3 or more scientific publications - 20 points.

The absence of participation in research projects and scientific publications implies the attribution of 0 points in this sub-criterion.

The classification (AC) will be calculated according to the following formula:  $AC = (PA \times 0.75) + (EI \times 0.25)$ .

**9.4.** The evaluation factors for the **Selection Interview (E)**, should it be held, will be.

a) Awareness of the nature, objectives and scientific and ethical requirements of research activity (D) (0 to 20 points, weighting 20%);

b) Knowledge of statistical data analysis and use of SPSS (AE) (0 to 20 points, weighting 20%);

c) Knowledge of English (CI) (0 to 20 points, weighting 25%);

d) Motivation to carry out the work plan (M) (0 to 20 points, weighting 20%);

e) Capacity for oral expression (EO) (0 to 20 points, weighting 15%).

The evaluation of the Interview will be calculated according to the following formula:  $E = (0.20 \times D) + (0.20 \times AE) + (0.25 \times CI) + (0.20 \times M) + (0.15 \times EO)$  on a scale of 0 to 20.

**9.5.** Candidates may ask the chairman of the selection board to allow their interview to be conducted by videoconference, stating the reasons for this.

**9.6.** Failure to attend the interview stage of the selection process is equivalent to withdrawing from the competition, and applicants will be excluded from the competition.

**9.7.** The Final Classification (CF) will be obtained by applying the following formula: **CF = (0.60AC) + (0.40E).**

**9.8.** This competition is intended exclusively to fill the vacancy indicated. In the event that no candidate demonstrates that they have the profile required to carry out the work plan described above within the scope of this project, the Jury reserves the right not to award the position.

## **10. Selection panel:**

**President:** Professor Inês Maria Ermida de Sousa Guedes, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Porto;

**1<sup>st</sup> member:** Professor Pedro António Basto de Sousa, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Porto;

**2<sup>nd</sup> member:** Professor Samuel Ricardo Neves Moreira, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Porto;

**1<sup>st</sup> Alternate member:** Professor Rita Jorge Holbeche Tinoco de Faria, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Porto;

**2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate member:** Professor Ana Margarida Amorim dos Santos, Invited Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Porto.

## **11. Submission of applications:**

**11.1.** The candidates must be submitted **January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025** (local time - Lisbon).

**11.2.** The candidates must be formalized using the online application submission system available on the FDUP website: [https://sigarra.up.pt/fdup/pt/CNT\\_CAND\\_GERAL.CONCURSOS\\_LIST](https://sigarra.up.pt/fdup/pt/CNT_CAND_GERAL.CONCURSOS_LIST) (**Ref. 2024/9 Proc. 29**).

**11.3.** The application must be accompanied by documents proving the conditions set out in this Notice, namely:

a) Curriculum Vitae in Portuguese, with full name and email;

b) Copy of the certificate(s) of the required qualifications, specifying the final classification, and recognition of the degree and conversion of the classification to the Portuguese scale if it was obtained at a foreign Higher Education institution (recognition may be submitted up to the time of recruitment, however, failure to submit the conversion of the classification at the time of application will mean that the classification will not be taken into account for the purposes of the curricular assessment. If the degree documents submitted by the candidates do not show the final classification of the degree required in the Notice with the respective grade converted to the Portuguese classification scale, the jury will consider that the candidate has the minimum

classification required to obtain the degree in Portugal, under the terms of article 16(4) of Regulation no. 184/2021 of the University of Porto);

c) Proof of enrollment in a PhD or non-degree course that is part of the educational project of a higher education institution, developed in association or cooperation with one or more R&D units (to be submitted by the time of hiring);

d) Declaration of eligibility (in accordance with the draft attached to this notice);

e) Documents proving scientific research experience, where applicable;

**11.4.** The candidates may also attach any other documents they feel are relevant to assessing their merit.

**11.5.** Failure to provide the documents listed in points a) to d) of paragraph 11.3. will result in the exclusion of candidates.

**11.6.** Proof documents should be attached directly to the application message, without links to external platforms/disks. In order to ensure that all documents can be read, the preferred saving format is “Portable Document Format” (.pdf). The files must be labeled with the name and surname of the applicant and must not exceed 720 MB in total. These files can be compressed into .zip format.

**11.7.** The Jury may, whenever it deems it necessary, ask applicants to submit additional documents relating to the facts mentioned in the curriculum vitae submitted, setting a deadline for this purpose, in the following terms:

a) the documentation referred to is not intended for the presentation of elements not mentioned in the curriculum vitae, nor for the addition of missing documents required by this Notice;

b) all tenderers are informed that additional documentation has been requested.

## **12. False declarations:**

False statements made by candidates will be penalized in accordance with the law.

## **13. Notification of results:**

**13.1.** Applicants will be notified of the minutes relating to the application assessment phase(s) sent to them by email, to the address they provide for this purpose, with a receipt of delivery.

**13.2.** Notifications are made by email, under the terms of articles 112(1)(c) and 113(5) of the CPA.

**13.3.** Under the terms of article 121 et seq. of the CPA, once notified, candidates have 10 working days to comment in writing.

## **14. Booking list:**

A booking list will be drawn up on the basis of the final ranking list, which may be used in the event of the first-placed candidate withdrawing. The Faculty's highest authority reserves the right to call the next candidate, and so on, until the vacancy is filled. This reserve list may be used for a maximum period of 12 months from the date of approval of the final ranking list

### **15. Policy of non-discrimination and equal access:**

The University of Porto actively promotes a policy of non-discrimination and equal access, so that no applicant may be privileged, benefited, disadvantaged or deprived of any right or exempted from any duty on the grounds of ancestry, age, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, family situation, economic situation, education, social origin or condition, genetic heritage, reduced working capacity, disability, chronic illness, nationality, ethnic origin, territory of origin, language, religion, political or ideological convictions and trade union membership.

## ANEEX I

### STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY

For the purposes of complying with the provisions of Article 10 of the University of Porto Research Studentship Regulation, I hereby declare that:

- I haven't signed any research studentship/s contract/s to date under the EBI;
- To date, I have signed the following research studentship/s contract/s under the EBI:

Type of studentship	Start Date	End Date	Contracting Authority

I also declare that I meet the eligibility conditions for this studentship, as required under the terms of the aforementioned regulation.

I hereby declare and sign this statement.

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_