



UNIVERSIDADE DE ÉVORA

LABORATÓRIO HERCULES – HERANÇA CULTURAL, ESTUDOS E SALVAGUARDA

Postdoctoral Scholarship – 1 vacancy

“Santos Corpos | Um Atlas dos Corpi Santi em Portugal” (2022.01486.PTDC)

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A call for tenders is open for one Postdoctoral Scholarship within the scope of the project "Santos Corpos | Um Atlas dos Corpi Santi em Portugal" (2022.01486.PTDC), financed by national funds through FCT/MCTES, under the following conditions:

Scientific area: Conservation and Restoration, Sciences applied to Cultural Heritage, Chemistry and similar areas of study.

Admission requirements:

PhD in Conservation of Cultural Heritage, PhD in Chemistry or similar areas of study, without the possibility of replacing the educational level with training or professional experience. The domain of the Portuguese and English languages is imperative.

Extensive experience in studying and diagnosing the conservation state of cultural heritage objects, with particular emphasis on relics.

The candidate should be able to perform in situ analysis of heritage assets, conservation survey and diagnostics, preventive conservation and preparation of samples for laboratory analysis.

Regarding the "BIPD" (postdoctoral scholarship), in terms of the requirements to be verified for their attribution (article 7 of the FCT Research Grant Regulation no. 950/2019), the need for a doctoral degree to have been obtained in the 3 years prior to the date of submission of the application to the scholarship and, in terms of its execution, the fact that it can only be renewed for a maximum period of 3 years.

Work plan:

In situ conservation and restoration survey of the holy bodies (relics) and associated heritage assets;

Archive and library surveys under the topic of the holy bodies;

Sampling and non-invasive in situ analysis of the holy bodies (relics) under study and other associated assets;

Sample preparation and laboratory analysis;

Interpretation and contextualization of data collected from in situ, laboratory and archival research;

Preparation of preventive conservation programs;

Content production for the web page and database;

Production of scientific reports and publications.



Applicable legislation and regulations: The granting of the Research Scholarship will be carried out upon the signing of a contract between the University of Évora and the scholarship holder, as set in the template former.fct.pt/apoios/Minuta_Contrato_Bolsa.docx, pursuant to the Research Scholarship Statute (Law No. 40/2004 of August 18 and Decree-Law No. 123/2019 of August 28) and in accordance with the legislation and Regulation of Research Grants of the Foundation for Science and Technology, I.P. in force, regulation nº950/2019 of December 16, 2019: <https://files.dre.pt/2s/2019/12/241000000/0009100105.pdf> and other applicable rules.

Place of work: The work will be developed at Laboratório HERCULES of the University of Évora under the scientific guidance of Professor Teresa Ferreira and Professor Eduarda Vieira.

Duration of the scholarship(s): The scholarship will have a duration of 12 months, starting in October of 2023. The scholarship contract may be renewed for one (1) year and then until the funding project's budget allocation ends.

Amount of monthly maintenance allowance: The amount of the scholarship corresponds to 1,741.00 €, according to the table of scholarships awarded directly by FCT, I.P. in Portugal (https://www.fct.pt/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Tabela-de-Valores-SMM_2023.pdf), payments being made monthly, by check or bank transfer.

Selection methods: The selection method to be used will be based on the Curriculum Assessment (C.A.) described below:

The Curriculum Assessment (C.A.) aims to analyze the candidates' qualifications, namely, experience in studying objects with heritage value (A), the relevance of the acquired expertise (B), scientific production (C) and the letter of motivation (D). The weighting for the C.A. is 100% and will be expressed on a scale of 0 to 20, with the final mark obtained through the arithmetic average of the marks obtained in the elements to be evaluated, according to the following formula:

- A. Recognized experience in the study of objects with heritage value, in particular, relics, and use of analytical techniques for the diagnosis of the materials used in the production and the state of conservation of the objects: 40%;
- B. Experience in participating in multidisciplinary teams and in fieldwork, work in the area of conservation and restoration of heritage assets and archival study: 30%;
- C. Scientific production: 20%;
- D. Letter of motivation: 10%.

$$C.A. = A*0,4 + B*0,3 + C*0,2 + D*0,1$$

The Jury can call up to three candidates for an interview (E) if necessary. Candidates who obtain a score below 9.5 are excluded from the procedure.



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The Interview (**E**) is expressed on a scale from 0 to 20 and will last no longer than 20 minutes.

The Final Classification (**F.C.**) for each candidate called for the interview is expressed on a scale of 0 to 20 as a result of the following arithmetic average:

$$\text{F.C.} = 70\% \text{ C.A.} + 30\% \text{ E}$$

Not appearing in any selection methods is equivalent to withdrawing from the competition. The Jury may not award the scholarship if no candidate has the appropriate profile.

Composition of the Jury Panel:

Regular members

President – Professor Teresa Ferreira

Professor Eduarda Vieira

Doctor Ana Manhita

Alternate members

Professor Fernanda Olival

Doctor Ana Curto

Advertising/notification of results: The final results of the evaluation will be publicized through a final grade-ordered list posted in a visible and public place in the HERCULES Laboratory, and the winning candidate will be notified by email.

The Final Classification list will be announced by any written means to all interested parties to ensure the right to a prior hearing of the interested parties.

After communicating the provisional list of the evaluation results, candidates have 10 working days to express their opinion in a preliminary hearing of interested parties.

Application deadline and submission of applications: The tender is open from September 12 to 26, 2023, and the selection results will be published maximum by October 3 2023.

Applications must be formalized, obligatorily, by sending an application letter with the following documents: **Curriculum Vitae, certificate of qualifications, a recommendation letter and other relevant supporting documents.**

For the application, the evidence of the degree may be replaced by a declaration of honour signed by the candidate. Still, the failure to demonstrate that the candidate holds the required degree in the contracting phase or the non-presentation of proof of enrollment in the study cycle or non-degree course for scholarships with this component implies the cancellation of the candidate's application.

Academic degrees obtained in foreign countries require registration by a Portuguese Institution in accordance with Decree-Law No. 66/2018, of August 16 and Ordinance No. 33/2019, of January 25.



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The presentation of the certificate is mandatory for the signing of the contract. More information can be obtained at: <https://www.dges.gov.pt/pt/pagina/recognition?plid=374>

Applications must be sent by email to:

Prof. Teresa Ferreira

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