

CONFAP – THE UK ACADEMIES

Fellowship and Research Mobility

The first round opens on **September 10th 2014** for applications and will close on **October 22nd 2014 at 12 AM Brasília Time.**

Brazilian State Funding Agencies, articulated by its National Council (CONFAP), are launching a call for proposal for activities of fellowship and research mobility directed to researchers based in UK Universities and Research Institutions to research activities in Brazil. These activities are under the auspice of the Newton Fund.

The Newton Fund is a new initiative that aims to develop the long-term sustainable growth and welfare of partner countries through building research, innovation capacities, and is part of the UK's Official Development Assistance commitment.

These awards of up to three years of support offer an opportunity for the UK researcher to develop the strengths and capabilities of their research groups through training, collaboration and reciprocal visits with a partner in some of the best research groups in the Brazil.

For further information please contact <u>aci@fapemig.br</u>, <u>duvidasfundonewton-faperj2014@faperj.br</u> (directed only to researchers from the State of Rio de Janeiro) or <u>chamada_ukacademies@fapesp.br</u> (directed only to researchers from the State of São Paulo).





How to apply

Applications are available at: <u>http://confap.org.br/</u>. After the completion of the application form, the eligible researcher must send it to <u>fundonewton@confap.org.br</u>. For submission to the State of Rio de Janeiro apply to <u>fundonewton-faperj2014@faperj.br</u> and for the State of São Paulo: <u>chamada_ukacademies@fapesp.br</u>

About the scheme

ELIGIBILITY

• The applicants must hold a PhD degree:

Young researchers are considered to hold a PhD degree from 2 years to 7 years.

Senior researchers must hold a PhD degree for over 7 years.

- The applicants must have a Brazilian-based collaborator as their coapplicant.
- The applicants must hold a permanent academic post or postdoctoral fellowship/position which extends beyond the period of the grant in UK.
- UK researchers from the natural sciences including engineering, medical sciences (including clinical or patient-oriented research), social sciences and humanities fields are eligible to apply for support.
- The eligibility criteria for FAPESP support are:

In case of Fellowship: the UK researcher must be associated to a FAPESP PI (co-applicant) in charge of an ongoing grant of the following types: Thematic, Young Investigator, or Research, Innovation, and Diffusion of Knowledge Centers.

In case of Research Mobility: it comprises the FAPESP Visiting Researcher Grant which requires a host researcher (co-applicant) in the State of São Paulo.





TYPES OF GRANT

Concerning the Fellowship activity, there are two categories for the UK researcher:

- A. For Young Researchers:
- A monthly scholarship of R\$ 7,000.00
- Airline ticket (round trip and economic class) and health insurance
- Scholarship for one undergraduate student to assist the researcher
- Grant in the amount of R\$ 25,000.00 each six months
- B. For Senior Researchers:
- A monthly scholarship of R\$ 10,000.00
- Airline ticket (round trip and economic class) and health insurance
- Scholarship for one undergraduate student to assist the researcher
- Grant in the amount of R\$ 25,000.00 each six months

In case the UK researcher chooses to be based in Brazil in a University or Research Institute in the State of São Paulo:

- A monthly scholarship with value ranging from R\$ 9,148.80 to R\$ 13,653.60 (the level is to be suggested by the host investigator and confirmed by FAPESP upon merit review).
- Airline ticket and health insurance.
- Scholarship for one undergraduate student to assist the researcher.
- Grant to the PI in charge of which the visitor will be associated to may request to FAPESP supplementary funds of up to R\$ 25,000.00 for every six months of stay of the visitor. These funds are to be used for research related consumable materials, services, and travel.





Concerning the Research Mobility activity, UK researcher can apply for two types:

- A. Mission up to fifteen days:
- Airline ticket (round trip and economic class) and health insurance.
- Daily support defined by the State Funding Agencies (FAPs)
- B. Mission from sixteen days to three months:
- Airline ticket (round trip and economic class) and health insurance.
- A monthly scholarship in the amount of R\$ 7,000.00 monthly.

In case the UK researcher chooses to be based in Brazil in a University or Research Institute in the State of São Paulo:

- A. Mission up one month:
- Airline ticket and health insurance.
- Daily support to be paid according to FAPESP's per diem table of value.
- B. Mission from one month to three months:
- Airline ticket and health insurance.
- A monthly scholarship from R\$ 9,148.80 to R\$ 13,653.60 (the value of the scholarship should be suggested by the host investigator and confirmed by FAPESP upon merit review).

SELECTION CRITERIA

All applications will be assessed by a Selection panel on the following criteria:

- The quality of the proposed research project.
- The track record of the Applicant and the overseas host organisation in the area of proposed research.
- The expected benefits for the career development of the Applicant.





- The track record and suitability of the Brazilian-based Co-applicant and Brazilian host organisation in the area of proposed research.
- The additional benefits for the Brazilian based Co-applicant and host organisation.
- Evidence that the Fellowship will lead to a long-term collaboration beyond the tenure of the award.

