

Notice for Selection of Students for participating in multidisciplinary projects from LAPASSION (Latin-America Practices and Soft Skills for an Innovation Oriented Network) in Santiago (Chile) – LAPASSION@Santiago

Framework

LAPASSION - Latin America Practices and Soft Skills for an Innovation Oriented Network is a project from the European Union's Erasmus+ Programme and the Capacity Building Initiative for Higher Education Institutions managed through the Educational, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) with reference 585687-EPP-1-2017-1-PT-EPPKA2-CBHE-JP and agreement number 2017-3074/001-001.

Partners of LAPASSION are the following:

Instituto Politécnico do Porto (IPP, Portugal, coordinator)

Tampere University of Applied Sciences (TAMK, Finland)

Universidade de Vigo (UVIGO, Spain)

Universidad de Salamanca (USAL, Spain)

Instituto Federal Sul Riograndense (IFSUL, Brazil)

Instituto Federal do Triângulo Mineiro (IFTM, Brazil)

Instituto Federal de Goiás (IFG, Brazil)

Instituto Federal do Maranhão (IFMA, Brazil)

Instituto Federal do Amazonas (IFAM, Brazil)

Universidad de La República de Uruguay (UDELAR, Uruguay)

Universidade Técnica de Uruguay (UTEC, Uruguay)

Fundação do Instituto Profissional (DUOC, Chile)

Universidade Católica do Chile (PUC, Chile)

Associação Empresarial de Portugal, Câmara de Comércio e Indústria (AEP, Portugal)

Conselho dos Reitores dos Institutos Federais do Brasil (CONIF, Brazil).

Characteristics of the Project

LAPASSION envisages the development of Multidisciplinary Projects/Internships (MP/I) characterized by:

- projects presented by the surrounding environment (enterprises and other organizations E/O) or resulting from innovative ideas to create new prototypes/products/services
- projects developed by multidisciplinary groups of students
- projects developed by groups of students from different countries (multiculturalism, language, etc)
- projects oriented for developing soft skills (teamwork, leadership, conflict management, negotiation, etc)
- projects for which students demonstrate passion

The first set of Multidisciplinary projects will be organized in Santiago (Chile) from April 02 to June 08, 2018 (10 weeks). General topic of the multidisciplinary projects will be developed on the following challenge *“How to improve the conditions for Aging Populations”*

Polytechnic of Porto will support **2 fellowships** for its students (BSc or MSc students) to participate in these multidisciplinary projects. The selected Polytechnic of Porto Students will join students from other LAPASSION partners in Santiago do Chile to develop these multidisciplinary projects.

Financial Support

Each selected student will receive support for travel (€ 1100,00) and stay (€ 3010,00). Support for travel is received after the selection of the students. 80% of the support for stay is received before the travel, and the remaining 20% after the return of the student. Students who are not successful in the developed projects will have to return the received support.

Requirements to apply

Preconditions for applying for the fellowships are the following:

- to be student from one of the following BSc or MSc programmes: Licenciatura em Engenharia Biomédica; Licenciatura em Engenharia de Computação e Instrumentação Médica; Licenciatura em Engenharia Eletrotécnica e de Computadores; Licenciatura em Engenharia Informática; Mestrado em Engenharia de Computação e Instrumentação Médica; Mestrado em Engenharia Eletrotécnica e de Computadores; Mestrado em Engenharia Informática
- to have completed at least 120 credits in Higher Education
- to have no delayed debts to the Polytechnic of Porto or School (e.g. tuition fee)
- ability to read, write, and speak in English language at least in Intermediate level (B1)
- previous experience in group working

- to be available to be in Santiago do Chile between April 2 till June 8, 2018 (mandatory to be there during these dates, no other dates are possible)

Application process

In order to apply for the fellowships students will have to send the following documents:

- Curriculum Vitae (in English language)
- List of curricular units and respective rankings in Higher Education (print from portal)
- Document proving to have at least B1 level in English language or a request for an English Exam
- Motivation letter titled "Why I'm the good choice to participate in the LAPASSION@Santiago Multidisciplinary project for the challenge *How to improve the conditions for Aging Populations*" (maximum 3 pages) – please include in the letter that you are available to be in Santiago do Chile from April 02 to June 08, 2018 (mandatory)
- Portfolio of the most important developed projects (maximum 3 projects, main project report is sufficient)

Applications need to be sent to the following email address:

csr@sc.ipp.pt

to the attention of Professor Carlos Ramos, coordinator of LAPASSION project

Deadline

Applications need to be submitted till 22-January-2018 (11:59 pm)

Acceptance/Rejection of Applications

Candidates will receive 2 mails , one confirming the reception of the documentation and another with the acceptance or rejection of the application, to be issued till 26-January-2018. Rejections occur in case of incomplete documentation or by failing the minimum of 50% in the evaluation according any of the following criteria: Academic evaluation; Motivation Letter; Portfolio.

Candidates with accepted applications will be invited for the interviews and for the English Exam (if necessary)

English Exam

English Exam will be held on 05-February-2018 for those candidates that required it and with accepted applications

Interviews

Interviews for candidates with accepted applications will be held on 05-February-2018 (English language will be used during the interview)

Classification and Sequencing of Candidates

The classification and ranking of the students will be based in the following criteria:

- Academic performance (20 points)
- English Level (20 points)
- Portfolio (20 points)
- Motivation letter (20 points)
- Interview (20 points)

Failing in obtaining the minimum of 50% in any criterion results in the exclusion of the candidate from the selection process.

Candidates will be sequenced according to the decreasing values of the classifications. In case of the same classification to one or more candidates, it will be up to the jury to make the relative sequence of the candidates, with casting vote for the President.

Jury

Jury President: Carlos Fernando da Silva Ramos

Jury member: António Constantino Martins

Jury member: Luiz Felipe Rocha Faria

Jury substitute member: Maria Goreti Carvalho Marreiros

Jury substitute member: Isabel Cecília Silva Praça Gomes Pereira