



## Call for research projects applications for visiting lecturers of renowned prestige (Actions to be carried out in the year 2022)

The purpose of this open call is to promote the realization of research projects in the UIB in collaboration with prestigious PhD researchers who develop their professional work in foreign universities or research centres. The actions that can be financed within the framework of these projects are exclusively for short-term stays of prestigious PhD researchers at the UIB for periods between 3 weeks and 3 months. UIB researchers, who will be the responsible researchers, must submit project applications.

**1.** The candidates must be doctors of renowned prestige who work at foreign universities or research centres.

**1.1.** Visiting lecturers must sign a single document at the start of their visit committing to finish their stay.

**1.2.** Upon arrival, the visiting lecturers must also present written permission from their home institution for their visit to the UIB.

All these procedures should be done at the Research Support Office (OSR).

**2.** Applications may be submitted by UIB's professors or lecturers in permanent and non-permanent statutory relationship, permanent and non-permanent contract lecturers: contract lecturer with a doctoral degree, collaborating lecturer, associate lecturer with a foreign citizenship, assistant lecturer with a doctoral degree, contract PhD researchers by a "Ramon y Cajal", "Juan de la Cierva" or "Beatriz Galindo" program; researchers of a Public Investigation Centre attached to a UIB Research Institute (IUR). The application must be managed by the department or IUR in charge of the applicant researcher.

**2.1.** An only application per researcher will be admitted. All applications will be assessed by the Research Support Office Assessment Committee.

**2.2.** Researchers who submit proposals may obtain visiting lecturer stays for a maximum of five months every two years.

**2.3.** The visiting lecturer may not come on visits during consecutive application periods.

**3.** The minimum length of the visits to be financed by the awarded projects is three weeks and the maximum length is three months, to be carried out uninterruptedly.

**IMPORTANT:** Research actions linked to mobility are among the most affected by the mobility restrictions that have occurred worldwide due to the pandemic caused by COVID-19. Aware of the situation, and with the aim of continuing to promote the internationalisation of research at the UIB and boosting the recovery of international research activity in the coming months, the Vice-Rector's Office for Science Policy and Research modifies the call under the exceptional situation and without prejudice to those affected in the following terms:

The period of implementation of the projects -and therefore the funded stays- has to be framed during the whole year 2022 (from the 1<sup>st</sup> of January to the 31<sup>th</sup> of December, 2022).

**3.1.** Visiting lecturers must come during the envisaged period except on the grounds of force majeure, which must be duly justified. If it is not possible to come during the period for which the bursary was awarded, the change must be applied for sufficiently in advance via a letter to the competent Vice-rector detailing the reasons. If an awarded visit cannot be carried out, this fact has to be communicated to the Vice-rector.

**4.** Bursaries awarded for visits shall be in accordance with the candidate's professional standing. To this end, two levels are established: level 1, which is comparable to a professor, with a gross monthly salary of 3,025.75 euros; and level 2, which is comparable to a lecturer, with a gross monthly salary of 2,453.82 euros. Tax will be deducted as applicable. The University of the Balearic Islands will take out an insurance policy covering the visiting lecturer as applicable in such cases.

**5.** The deadline for applications is the 31<sup>th</sup> of March, 2022. Applications must be presented at the UIB central registry office, Son Lledó University campus (cra. Valldemossa, km. 7,5), at registries at UIB centres (FOU number 141, 19.12.1997).

**6.** The application form, the call itself, as well as the documents required for the application can be found at the following web page: [http://osr.uib.cat/doc/ajuts/ajutprofconv\\_en.html](http://osr.uib.cat/doc/ajuts/ajutprofconv_en.html).

**7.** If the budget is not a sufficient enough to accept all of the applications submitted, the following assessment scale shall be applied:

**7.1.** The visiting lecturer's curriculum vitae (maximum of 10 points). Candidates with a score of less than 3 in this section will be rejected.

**7.2.** The scientific productivity of the inviting researcher during the last five years (maximum of 5 points). Valuations will be made in accordance with the GREC (an application that supports the research management in the UIB) scale. Considering the data provided by the researcher in his/her CV.

**7.3.** The joint scientific publications of the visiting lecturer and a member or members of the research group to which the inviting researcher belongs (a maximum of 5 points). The inviting researcher must specify which publications meet the requirements.

**7.4.** The income generated by the UIB from the inviting researcher's research work during the last five years (a maximum of 5 points). The income will be determined on the basis of the information available at the GREC, in the Research projects site.

**7.5.** Additional points:

— 5 additional points if the application was rejected for budgetary reasons in the previous application period and 10 additional points if it was rejected in the two preceding application periods.

— 5 additional points if the visit is for two months or less.

— 5 additional points if it is the visiting lecturer's first visit, 2 points if the lecturer has only visited once as a visiting lecturer.

**7.6.** Applications in which visiting lectures have obtained their PhD earlier than the 1<sup>st</sup> of January of 2016 will have priority.

**8.** The Research Support Office Assessment Committee, once assessed all the applications, will deliver a prioritized list to the Executive Council, which will publish a provisional resolution in less than a month from the deadline. Then, a deadline for claims will be opened for 10 days. All of them will be solved in no more than 10 days from this deadline. This information may consult at [http://osr.uib.cat/doc/ajuts/ajutprofconv\\_en.html](http://osr.uib.cat/doc/ajuts/ajutprofconv_en.html). The Executive Council will submit the information to the Governing Council for its approval.

**9.** This call, as well as the administrative procedures related to it, can be challenged in the instances and in the form established by the Law 39/2015, from the 1<sup>st</sup> of October.

In case of discrepancies between the Catalan, Spanish, and English versions of this call, the Catalan version shall take precedence. Likewise, in case of discrepancy, the Research Support Office Assessment Committee will rule and decide on the text of the call.

Vice-Rector for Science Policy and Research,

Víctor Homar Santaner

Palma, 1<sup>st</sup> of March 2022

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