

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR VISITING SCIENTISTS - YEAR 2020

The University of Padua, within its internationalization policy aimed at enhancing training opportunities, provides funding for scholarships to Visiting Scientists. The total funding amount provided is € 260,000.00 (50% on the budget of the International Office and 50% on the budget of the involved institutions or external funding institutions). Visiting Scientists must have proven scientific expertise and must be related to Universities/Research Centres/Foreign Institutions.

Visiting Scientists will carry out their activities in a Department/Centre of the University of Padua.

Visiting Scientists may stay for one (1) or three (3) months, with the one-month or three-month scholarship: their stay may begin after the publications of the results of this call for applications and must end by 31/12/2020.

The gross amount of the one-month scholarship is € 3,500 (€ 3,225.80 gross + IRAP 8.5%); the gross amount of the three-month scholarship is € 7,500 (€ 6,912.44 gross + IRAP 8.5%).

The scholarship is financed for a 50% by the International Office (which will provide the host institution with the funding) while the remaining 50% is financed

- by the host Department/Centre of the University of Padua

or

- by an external funding institution.

The host institution may possibly increase its share of financing according to its own assessment and financial resources.

Applications must be submitted **by 09th December 2019 at 1.00 pm** by professors of the University of Padua, who will act as a "point of reference" for Visiting Scientists at their Department/Centre, exclusively through the online form available on the web page <http://www.unipd.it/visiting-scientist>

Along with the application, the following documents in PDF formats must be submitted:

1. Acceptance letter by the Visiting Scientist;
2. Curriculum Vitae of the Visiting Scientist;
3. List of the scientific publications by the Visiting Scientist (published or forthcoming)
4. Description of the study/research activities;
5. Council resolution or Decree by the Head of Department by the host Department/Centre which approves the application; in case of more than one application, the priority must be indicated;
6. Commitment to provide 50% of the scholarship amount
 - by the host Department/Centre (Council resolution or Decree by the Head of Department)
 - or
 - by the external funding institution (dated and signed letter of commitment).

Each inviting professor may submit only one (1) application.

The selection will be run by a Committee appointed by the Rector, who will analyse the applications and will provide funding according to the following criteria:

- relevance of curriculum of the Visiting Scientist;
- relevance of the research activities of the Visiting Scientist;
- relevance of their scientific production;
- number of selected proposals presented by the inviting professor in previous calls for applications;
- coherence between the proposed research activities and the activities of the host institution/Department.

The Committee reserves the right to decrease the number of scholarships granted compared to the total funding available if the applications do not meet the excellence requirements.

Besides, the Committee reserves the right to change the number and duration of the scholarships.

The Committee may also decide to increase the number of scholarships depending on any additional financial resources.

By **28/2/2021** the inviting professor must submit a final report on the activities carried out by the Visiting Scientist. For this purpose, please fill in the form 'Allegato 2' and send it to international.projects@unipd.it.

Failing to submit the final report by 28/2/2021 will result in the repayment of the entire amount of the funding provided by the International Office.

This call for applications and the online application form are available on the University web page <http://www.unipd.it/visiting-scientist>. The results of the selection will be published on the same web page (the publication will be the only mean of advertising, applicants will not receive personal communication neither written nor by telephone).

For further information please contact the International Office, email: international.projects@unipd.it, contact person Fiorella De Gobbi phone. +39 0498271248.

Padua,

The Rector
Prof. Rosario Rizzuto

Person in charge of the Service or the administrative procedure Dott.ssa Elena Autizi	The Head of International Relations Division Dott.ssa Dora Maria Cornelia Longoni	The Director General Ing. Alberto Scuttari
Date	Date	Date