

FLAD GRANTS - ALL PORTUGUESE ARCHIVES

With the aim of reinforcing and facilitating the access to primary document's archives and public libraries in Portugal, the Luso-American Development Foundation (FLAD) <https://www.flad.pt/> launches a new call targeted to professors and researchers affiliated with US universities or US research institutions based in the US, who wish to develop presential research in Portuguese archives, regardless of their location and dimension in Portugal (continental or islands).

This new scholarship program is intended to strengthen FLAD's commitment to the promotion, research and dissemination of documentation existing in municipal, regional or ministerial archives in Portugal, broadening opportunities already in place with the Torre de Tombo and the National Library of Portugal.

The Regulation below defines the terms of access to the short-term scholarships awarded by the Luso-American Development Foundation (FLAD) for research in any disciplinary field, including interdisciplinary and comparative studies, based on the collections of archives in any location within Portugal. Please note that FLAD has separate calls for research in the Torre de Tombo and National Library in Lisbon, but this call allows for scholars seeking research in other locations to apply for travel support there.

REGULATION

1. The scholarship is addressed to researchers affiliated with a US-based university or research center, regardless of their nationality, who wish to conduct academic or professional research in any field that requires a presential consultation of primary documents unavailable online.
2. The 2022 fellowships will run for periods ranging from one (1) to three (3) months and are due to begin until December 2022. Applications for shorter periods will not be considered.
3. Researchers will be entitled to a roundtrip ticket USA to Portugal, up to €750,00 (seven hundred and fifty Euros), to be reimbursed upon receipt of proof of payment, as well as a monthly allowance of €1400,00 (one thousand and four hundred Euros), regardless of the location in Portugal.
4. Applications should be sent in Portuguese through this [link](#) until **April 17, 2022**.
5. Applicants must submit the following documents in Portuguese:
 - a) Curriculum vitae of the candidate;
 - b) Description of the proposed study plan and how it intersects with the project in which it is integrated;
 - c) Document certifying the affiliation of the candidate with the university or research institution in the US;
 - d) Document of approval/invitation letter from the host Archive in Portugal.

This document must contain the following information:

 1. Approval of the research proposal agreeing with its relevance for the host Archive;

2. Confirmation of the requested dates for the research;
 3. Confirmation that in person research is necessary for consulting the materials.
 - e) Recommendation letters which might be of interest for the assessment of the application.
6. Applications will be evaluated by a selection board consisting of academic researchers and professional archivists plus one representative of FLAD, who will serve as the jury for the awards. Applications will be reviewed based on the following criteria:
- a) Scientific merit of the project;
 - b) Originality of the project;
 - c) Justification for the purpose of studying the referred documental collections;
 - d) Knowledge of the Portuguese language sufficient to read the proposed type of documentation;
 - e) Previous research carried out in Portugal.
7. The results and duration of the scholarship will be communicated to the candidates to the e-mail address provided in the application form, by **29 April 2022**. There will be no appeal from the selection results.
8. It is up to the jury to evaluate and decide the duration of the scholarship.
9. Selected candidates must:
- a) Confirm with FLAD and the Archive acceptance of the fellowship within 10 days from receipt of the communication;
 - b) Confirm the period when they intend to carry out their research;
 - c) Declare that they do not benefit from any other funding for the same purpose, during the same period.
10. Any alteration to the previously approved conditions and period of stay is subject to reconsideration by the Archive and FLAD, who have the right to reject the proposed period. The fellowship shall be cancelled if the dates approved are not respected.
11. During the two months following the completion of the fellowship period, the researchers should necessarily turn in to the Archive and FLAD, without any cost or copyright payment, a report about the research they have carried out.
12. The works published as a result of the research funded by this Program should necessarily mention the support granted by the Archive and FLAD. Two copies of the works published should be sent to each institution.
13. Failure to comply with the above obligations invalidates any other application to be submitted to FLAD.
14. Questions or omissions, as well as revisions of this Regulation, if deemed necessary, will be decided by FLAD.

If you have any questions related to the application process or the grants, please reach out to paula.vicente@flad.pt

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