

FLAD/Pinto-Fialon Graduate Studies (MSc and PhD) @ UC-Berkley 2022

Grant for Portuguese Master OR PhD students who have been accepted at the University of California-Berkeley

In order to contribute to the development of the Portuguese scientific and academic community, FLAD, in partnership with the Center for Portuguese Studies/Institute for European Studies of the University of California, Berkeley and the [Pinto-Fialon Fund](#) will award two grants **totaling up to 60,000 dollars (per PhD student)**, during the 5-year period of the PhD OR up to **26,000 dollars (per Master student)** during the 2-year period of the MA to two Portuguese candidates accepted and enrolled at UC Berkeley.

1. APPLICATIONS

The program is aimed at Portuguese students, residing in Portugal for at least the past 5 years, who have been accepted for a MSc or PhD program at the University of California, Berkeley.

All scientific fields are eligible.

The selection of candidates will be made jointly by FLAD and the Center of Portuguese Studies of UC-Berkeley on a rolling admission basis, first-come, first-served.

2. GRANT VALUE

For PhD Applicants

Each PhD accepted student will be awarded a total amount of up **\$60.000.00**:

- \$10.000.00 will be awarded directly by FLAD to the student, during the first year
- \$10.000.00 will be allocated by the Pinto-Fialon Fund* during the first year
- Up to \$40.000.00 can be allocated by the Pinto-Fialon Fund*; with up to \$10.000.00 to disburse in each of the subsequent four years (upon completion of all the required progress and reporting to be submitted each year).

For MSc Applicants

Each MSc accepted student will be awarded a total amount of up **\$ 26.000.00**:

- \$10.000.00 will be awarded directly by FLAD, during the first year
- \$8.000.00 will be allocated by the Pinto-Fialon Fund* during the first year
- Up to \$8.000.00 can be allocated by the Pinto-Fialon Fund* during the second year

*The Pinto Fialon Fund is managed by the Center for Portuguese Studies, UC-Berkeley.

The grant value does not include health insurance, which must be obtained by the applicant before arriving in the US.

3. DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED:

Applicants must submit the following documents:

- Portuguese ID
- CV
- Description of the intended study plan (maximum 3 pages);
- Letter of motivation;
- Document proving the acceptance and registration at the University of California, Berkeley.
- Consent under the General Data Protection Regulation

4. DEADLINES:

- The application period runs **from May 25th until November 25th**;
- The results will be communicated to applicants by **e-mail address on a rolling admission basis, first-come, first-served**;
- A progress report shall be sent to FLAD within **90 days** after the conclusion of the first academic year at UC-Berkeley.

5. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION & RESOURCES:

Applying to UC-Berkeley requires not only impeccable previous academic records but also a tremendous insight and preparation on the application process, application documentation and its formats (strong resume, letter of motivation, letters of reference, etc), as well as careful attention to rigid application timings and deadlines.

Standard timeline and application processes to apply for a Master's or PhD at UC-Berkeley usually run May through December of the academic year prior to the expected year of attendance. However, specific information regarding the graduate application process and respective timeline is found on each of UC-Berkeley's department's websites.

FLAD highly recommends prospective UC-Berkeley applicants to participate in Fulbright Portugal's Pathway to Graduate School. This program, that is free of charge to participants, will guide and assist interested Portuguese students that wish to apply for a Masters or PhD program at a US university. **See Fulbright Portugal website for more info, [here](#).**

Candidates should not hesitate to reach out to FLAD (ricardo.pereira@flad.pt) and/or UC-Berkeley, Center for Portuguese Studies (dpinheiro@berkeley.edu) for guidance, to find the appropriate host department, and further support.

Applications here: <https://flad.secure.force.com/CandidaturaMain?language=en>

Good luck and see you soon!