

Recruitment of *Young Talents with International Experience (JTEE)* Department of Philosophy USP + PrInt USP/CAPES

The Department of Philosophy of the University of São Paulo will select a *young researcher* to develop teaching and research activities in its Department during 12 months. The grant is part of the *Young Talents Program* offered by the **PrInt USP/CAPES Program**, and distributed by the **Graduate Coordination of the University of São Paulo** [*Pró-reitoria de Pós-graduação da USP*].

The selection will take place in two-steps: **(1)** the *first stage* will select the candidate to be presented by the Department of Philosophy [**The call for submissions closes on April 28**]. **(2)** the *second stage* will consist of submitting the selected dossier to the Graduate Coordination of USP, for their analysis.

The program's objective is to enlist young researchers, Brazilian or foreign, with relevant academic and scientific experience abroad, to develop research and teaching activities in graduate programs at USP in accordance with PrInt USP/CAPES Program. It is expected that the participation of this young researcher in the overarching PrInt Program will contribute to knowledge exchange, creation of new academic environments with greater cultural and scientific diversity, stimulation of actions that positively impact the quality of human resources being trained and research being conducted at USP. The scholarship is for an uninterrupted **12 month** period.

Candidates must be under 40 years of age, have received their PhD degree at least five years prior to submission, have a formal relationship of at least three years with a foreign research institution after PhD conclusion and relevant academic production in the last 5 years. Candidates must not be currently residing in Brazil or have resided in the six months prior to the application deadline.

Grant details

The selected young research talents will need to start their 12 month stay at USP **between August and December 2019**.

- The grant consists of 12 monthly payments of **BRL 8,000** (approx. USD 2,000)
- Start-up aid of **BRL 2,250** (approx. USD 560)
- Contribution towards health insurance of **BRL 400** (approx. USD 100)
- Economy-class two-way ticket
- [The grant **does not** provide assistance for spouses or partners]

How to apply

Applicants must register online at

<http://filosofia.fflch.usp.br/en/print/jtee/submission>, no later than **28 April** (18:00 Brazilian GMT), providing the following documents in *pdf* format:

- A **Work Plan** in English, including:
 - **Title and name of the candidate;**
 - **Schedule of *teaching and research* activities** to be developed during the 12 month stay;
 - **Research Project** to be developed during the 12 month stay (Maximum of 5 pages) [The *Research project* must correspond to the guidelines of the *International Research Project* of the Department of Philosophy. See Project below];
- Concise **CV**, with a focus on relevant activities developed in the last five years;
- Three referral letters;
- Proof of at least three years of a formal bond with a research institution outside of Brazil after PhD conclusion;
- Proof that the candidate holds a doctoral degree (copy of certificate, or alternatively, a declaration from the candidate's current institution);
- Self-declaration of English fluency when the candidate is not from an Anglophone country;
 - When available, evidence of collaboration/communication regarding interaction between the candidate and the graduate(s) program(s) at USP;

Contact can be made with the Graduate Studies Program at the Philosophy Department via philo.int@usp.br, with the subject ***Young researcher***.

International Research Project Philosophy Department University of São Paulo

Philosophy: Challenges of Contemporary Reason, Articulated to its Historical Genesis

The link between the international research environment and the Graduate Studies Program [*Programa de Pós-Graduação*, PPG] in philosophy is a condition of its excellence, in the origin and for the persistence of its values. The internationalization of the PPG in Philosophy is based on a common guideline for its

research sub-areas. Although heterogeneous, the Program observes common parameters according to the requirements of an international environment.

The underlying unity derives from the articulation between two main characters: analytical capacity of specific themes and renewal of knowledge in the history of philosophy. The research of "historical" nature (ancient, medieval, modern and contemporary philosophy) is essentially aligned to research on "thematic" content: metaphysics, ethics (and bioethics), theory of human sciences, logic, philosophy of science, political philosophy and aesthetics.

The permanent exchange of colleagues and universities of international outreach promotes and requires a living philosophical agenda. Research must combine the rigor of the conceptual reconstruction of theses and theories with an up to date analysis, in the light of both contemporary problems and international "state of the art." Neither the emphasis on "history of philosophy" results in mere antiquary work, nor does a thematic emphasis degrade into enlightened opinion.

This general guideline is translated into two types of alliance:

- 1) Among the specifically philosophical research sub-areas (historical and/or thematic). For example, research on ethics is connected to the up-to-date work on Aristotle's ethics or to contemporary debates on identity, race, and gender; the philosophy of science, founded on logic and epistemology, also dialogues with political philosophy and the construction of values.
- 2) Between philosophical disciplines and other areas: the international standard requires and promotes the dialogue between philosophy and the so called "hard" or exact sciences, as well as between philosophy and research in mathematics (as in formal logic and modal logic), psychology, biology (body-mind relation), arts (music, visual arts and literature), and political science (studies on republicanism, for example).

Major examples of current international partnerships and funding are agreements with Humboldt University (Germany) and Princeton (USA), in a broad spectrum of cooperation and dual-degree programs (mostly with the Sorbonne), teaching mobility and student mobility (with funding from CAPES-PDSE and FAPESP).