

CEP/EDUIB – Santander Grants to Attend Conferences and Promote Master's and PhD Theses from Official Postgraduate Studies

Presentation

The University of the Balearic Islands (UIB), through the Centre for Postgraduate Studies (CEP) and the Doctoral School (EDUIB), and with sponsorship from Santander-Universities, announces these grants to support the training of students on official Master's and PhD programmes at the UIB. These grants are aimed at promoting the best Master's and PhD theses findings at conferences, preferably those that are held overseas.

A €10,000 grant pool is therefore created to award grants to students enrolled on official Master's or PhD programmes at the UIB in the 2022-23 academic year. Students wishing to apply must have been accepted to present a paper with their Master's or PhD thesis findings at a conference before this call is closed. The conference must be held before 31st September 2023.

Features of the Grants

A minimum of two grants per area of knowledge shall be awarded; at least one for Master's students and one for PhD students.

Each grant comprises a maximum €500 for students attending a national conference or €1,000 for those attending an overseas conference.

This amount shall be used to cover the conference registration fee, as well as travel, board and accommodation for in-person conferences. Each student may only be awarded one grant for this call.

In addition, candidates shall not benefit from other grants awarded for the same purpose.

Requirements

- Be enrolled on an official Master's or PhD programme at the UIB during the 2022-23 academic year. Master's students must have registered their Master's thesis to be eligible to apply for the grant. In turn, PhD students must have passed all their annual reviews.
- Have been accepted to present a paper with their Master's or PhD thesis findings at a conference. The conference must be held before 31st September 2023.

Documentation to Be Submitted by Candidates

- Duly filled in online application form
- A copy of the applicant's ID document or passport, which must be valid at the time of application
- A copy of the proof of acceptance to the conference where the paper will be presented
- A copy of the abstract to be presented at the conference
- A copy of the conference fact sheet comprising the registration fee
- The supervisor's approval.

Application Submission

The submission deadline shall run from the day on which the call is published until 30th April 2023. Applicants must access the Santander Universities grants page (<http://app.becas-santander.com/program/becas-santander-ajuts-cep-eduib-santander-difusio-tfm-tesis-congressos-22-23>), attach all the required documentation and formalise the application.

Selection Committee

The selection committee shall comprise the Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Postgraduate Studies and Lifelong Learning or the person he delegates, and the management teams of the Centre for Postgraduate Studies and the Doctoral School.

Application Assessment

Applications shall be assessed according to the area of knowledge and on a competitive basis. Master's student applications shall be assessed in consideration of the average mark on their entry qualification. In turn, those submitted by PhD students shall be assessed according to the weighted grade point average on their entry undergraduate and master's qualifications.

The assessment shall be used to set two orders of precedence: one for master's students and one for PhD students. A grant will be awarded to the student who has been ranked first in each group (a master's student and a PhD student). The remainder shall be placed on two separate waiting lists. Where the budget for a specific knowledge area has not been used up, an additional grant shall be awarded to the first student on the waiting list which has been allocated the smallest amount, subject to budget availability.

In the event that there are no applications from Master's students within a branch of knowledge or if there are any remaining applications, one or more Master's grants will be awarded to other branches of knowledge, according to the general order of priority. If there are still not enough applications for Master's degrees, the remaining money can be used for doctoral grants. If there are no applications from doctoral students within a branch of knowledge or if there are any remaining applications, the grant(s) will be awarded to other doctoral student applicants from another branch of knowledge, according to the general order of priority. If there are still not enough PhD applications, the remaining money can be used for Master's grants.

Resolution

This call shall be resolved by a resolution issued by the Vice Chancellor of the University of the Balearic Islands to be published on the website of the UIB Centre for Postgraduate Studies.

The selected students shall receive a personal notification on the e-mail address provided in their application.

Obligations of Recipients

- Successful candidates must accept the grant award, the call terms and conditions and the criteria set by the UIB in writing within ten working days from notification of the decision, which shall be sent to the email provided in the application form. The acceptance document must be duly signed by means of an accredited electronic signature or in person at the CEP/EDUIB Admin Services
- Candidates shall accept the grant award over the Santander Universities platform
- After accepting the grant, candidates shall open a bank account at a Santander Bank branch, where the grant shall be deposited
- Candidates shall notify their rejection of the grant, where applicable, to the CEP or the EDUIB, as well as any substantial change that may affect the conditions thereof
- Candidates shall take part, where required, in promotional activities for the awarded grant and/or the CEP/EDUIB, which shall entail video recordings, interviews, photo sessions or other similar activities
- After participating in the conference, candidates shall submit a certificate stating that they have attended and presented a paper. Students attending in-person conferences shall submit other supporting documents as proof of participation (plane, train or boat tickets, accommodation invoices, etc.).

Payment Method

All grants shall comprise a first instalment for the amount corresponding to the conference registration fee from acceptance of the grant. The amount allocated for registration will correspond to the reduced fee for students and the early registration fee, provided that these are available.

Students attending in-person conferences shall receive a second instalment, to be paid once they have submitted the documents accrediting their participation (certificates stating that they have attended and presented a paper, boarding passes, etc.). In no event can the sum of these two amounts exceed €500 for national conferences or €1,000 for overseas conferences.

The CEP or the EDUIB, as appropriate, will take the necessary steps to transfer the amounts granted to the bank account opened for this purpose by the recipient at a Santander Bank branch.

Cancellation or Withdrawal

Cancellation shall lead to the loss of all rights inherent to the grant. In addition, in this instance, recipients will have to return the amount received.

Confirmation of any irregularity in the information provided in the application, submission of forged documents, or no longer fulfilling the terms or requirements of designation shall all be causes for grant cancellation.

General Information

For any additional information on this call, please contact:

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All notifications or amendment requests shall be sent to the email provided in the application form.

Privacy and Data Protection Policy

The UIB fully complies with current legislation regarding personal data protection and specifically upholds the commitment to confidentiality regarding any information provided.

The UIB has adopted the necessary technical measures to maintain the required level of security, in accordance with the processed personal data and the processing circumstances, so as to avoid, wherever possible and as per the state of the art, any unauthorised alteration, loss, processing or access with regard to the data.

The personal data of applicants included in the documents referred to in these terms and conditions shall be included in a file at the CEP or EDUIB, as appropriate. The aforementioned information shall solely be used for purposes related to the call.

Final Provisions

Submitting an application for this call represents express acceptance of these terms and conditions by the candidate, as well as the UIB criteria and decisions that may be taken with regard to any question of interpretation of the requirements and conditions set out up to this point.

Where any incompliance with these terms and conditions is detected, whenever this occurs and regardless of the status of the application in the grant pre-selection, selection or award process, the aforementioned application shall be automatically cancelled, if it has already been awarded.

Any mention of governance or representation bodies, positions, posts and members of the university community, as well as any other in this regulation that appears in the masculine gender shall be understood as referring indistinctly to both the masculine and feminine gender, in accordance with the sex of the person in question.