

## USPC-NUS CALL FOR PROPOSALS 2018

### Doctoral Student Mobility

The Université Sorbonne Paris Cité and the National University of Singapore (USPC-NUS) grant has been designed with the objective of **fostering new collaborations in higher education and research between Europe and Southeast Asia**. Three calls for proposals will be launched this year to fund joint research initiatives, international graduate and doctoral student mobility and innovative projects in higher education.

The first call for doctoral student mobility was launched in 2013 and aims to support research projects in **all disciplines** between NUS and USPC<sup>1</sup>. Its principal objective is to launch and promote a long-standing cooperation between its partners across diverse disciplines, from life, physical and engineering sciences to social sciences and humanities.

#### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA AND PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

The call for doctoral student mobility is open to Ph.D. students enrolled in a programme at USPC or NUS. Only Ph.D. candidates within their 3<sup>rd</sup> year of studies will be eligible for the grant and priority will be given to PhD students who are part of a team applying to the call for research proposals.

#### Proposal requirements:

- Academic or research project description (1500 words maximum). This description should indicate how the time spent at the partner institution would contribute to the progress of the candidate's project and the scientific knowledge within his/her field. Any additional information on the candidate's motivations for visiting the partner institution (to take courses, conduct fieldwork, write an article, etc.) may be included.
- Curriculum vitae of the applicant
- Proof of enrolment (student card or official letter from the home institution)
- Letter of recommendation from the candidate's academic or Ph.D. advisor
- Letter of support from one professor from the host institution who accepts to become the candidate's academic advisor at the partner institution

Each project will be funded on a year-long basis in amounts of up to 5 000€.

To apply, please submit your application in English by 2 April 2018 to:

USPC-NUS programme

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<sup>1</sup> USPC is a university consortium composed of eight research universities and five research institutions: Université Sorbonne Nouvelle (Paris 3), Université Paris Descartes (Paris 5), Université Paris Diderot (Paris 7), Université Paris Nord (Paris 13), Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Santé Publique (EHESP), Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales (INALCO), Institut de Physique du Globe de Paris (IPGP), Sciences Po, Fondation Maison des Sciences de l'Homme (FMSH), Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS), Institut National d'Etudes Démographiques (INED), Institut National de Recherche en Informatique et Automatique (INRIA), Institut National de la Santé et de la Recherche Médicale (INSERM).

## **EVALUATION PROCEDURE**

Applications are independently assessed by USPC (Collège des écoles doctorales) and NUS and reviewed by a joint scientific committee composed of members of both institutions.

The review process will take into account the academic quality of the proposal, its significance and the level of support from the two faculty advisors.

**Results will be announced in May 2018.**

## **GRANT MANAGEMENT**

- **Timeline:** projects must commence within one year of the date of the award. Awardees will stay a minimum of one month up to a full academic year at the partner university.
- **Report:** students are required to submit a final report on the research or academic project conducted at the host institution. The report must be sent within one month after the candidate's return to the home institution.
- **Conditions:** students who do not comply with the timeline and conditions detailed above will not receive the grant.