

In view of the tragic situation experienced in Ukraine, which generates a high migratory flow to the countries of the European Union, the Center for Postgraduate Studies in Legal Medicine (CEPGML) of the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Coimbra decided to be associated with the multiple concrete support initiatives that, in Portugal, have been developed by public and private institutions, and by individuals.

Accordingly, CEPGML intends to support the reception of a doctor specialist in forensic medicine, who intends to reside and practice this specialty in Portugal, through the attribution of a scholarship that facilitates the accomplishment of the necessary steps to obtain the initial specific recognition for the practice of medicine in Portugal and enrollment in the Portuguese Medical Association, with a view to the subsequent exercise of medico-legal activity.

The support will involve the award of a scholarship, under the following terms and conditions.

A. Support provided by the scholarship:

- 1) Payment for air travel (or by other alternative means), in economy class and from a European country, to Portugal, if the scholarship holder is not already in Portugal.
- 2) Award of a monthly grant (for 12 months, possibly renewable up to a maximum limit of twenty-four months), in the amount of €1000 (awarded in biannual installments, at the beginning of each semester of the grant period).
- 3) Offer to enroll in postgraduate training courses carried out by the Centre.
- 4) Payment of the registration fees for the Master's Course in Legal Medicine and Forensic Sciences at the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Coimbra, if the scholarship holder intends to apply for it and is accepted.
- 5) Payment of the registration fee for any Higher Course in Legal Medicine (or equivalent) given or recognized by the National Institute of Legal Medicine and Forensic Sciences, if the scholarship holder intends to apply for it and is accepted.
- 6) Offer of a laptop.

B. Scholarship holder's obligations and grant award conditions:

- 1) Deal with all the procedures and formalities necessary to formalize the application for the specific recognition of the degree in medicine at the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Coimbra, within the first four months after the start of the scholarship period.
- 2) Submit to specific recognition tests at the Faculty of Medicine of Coimbra in the first assessment period subsequent to the regularization of the application for them.
- 3) Attend, if necessary, training courses to master and/or improve the Portuguese language.
- 4) Maintain regular contact with CEPGML, responding quickly to all requests that are addressed to it and presenting the evidence that may be requested.
- 5) CEPGML may interrupt the grant at any time if it considers that the assumptions that led to its award are not being met or that deviations from its objective are occurring.

6) The scholarship can be accumulated with financial income resulting from the provision of some other work activity, punctual or regular, that is not of a medical nature.

C. Conditions for applying for the scholarship:

1) Up to the 25th of March, doctors under the age of 40 until the deadline for the candidacy, of Ukrainian nationality and who do not hold another European nationality, being a specialist in Legal Medicine in Ukraine, can apply for the scholarship:

a) If they are, at the time of application, in Ukraine or in any other neighboring country of this or the European Union.

b) If they old official documentation proving their degree in medicine, as well as their title of specialist in forensic medicine.

2) It is a preferential condition in the selection process, but not mandatory for the application, the command of the Portuguese language.

3) To formalize the application, the following steps must be taken:

a) Sending a letter addressed to the Center for Postgraduate Studies in Legal Medicine (CEPGML) of the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Coimbra, containing: a) identification of the candidate, contact details (including email and telephone contact); b) description of the motivation elements for coming to Portugal; c) commitment to fully respect the rules stipulated for the fellowship; d) commitment that it will deal with all the procedures and formalities necessary to formalize the application for the specific recognition of the degree in medicine at the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Coimbra, within the first four months after the start of the scholarship period; d) commitment that they will take specific recognition tests at the Faculty of Medicine of Coimbra in the first evaluation period following the regularization of their candidacy; e) commitment to take the necessary initiatives to master and/or improve the Portuguese language, spoken and written.

b) Sending a certified copy of the documents proving the degree in medicine and the title of specialist in forensic medicine, as well as any others considered pertinent and relevant within the scope of the application.

c) Submission of Curriculum Vitae.

d) CEPGML will schedule an online interview (by zoom), for the final selection of the scholarship holder, at a date and time to be communicated to the candidate (until the end of March 2022), constituting the non-appearance in the same an eliminatory condition of the application

e) The application must be formalized by sending it to
Centro de Estudos de Pós-Graduação em Medicina Legal
Pólo das Ciências da Saúde, Subunidade 3
Azinhaga de Santa Comba, Celas
3000-354 Coimbra, Portugal

A copy must also be sent to the following email:
centro.estudos.ml@gmail.com

For any further clarification, CEPGML can be contacted at the following telephone numbers: +351 919 990 326 | +351 966 914 635