2ND 2022 CALL FOR TALENT HELP GRANTS 2022-23

The Fundació Politècnica de Catalunya (FPC) Talent Help 2022-23 grant programme aims to foster people’s talent and innovation through training, and is aimed at university graduates of the Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya (UPC) with an academic record grade equal to or greater than 7 out of 10.

These grants are aimed at recent graduates, and the bachelor's degree studies must therefore have been completed in the last 5 years.

The FPC will award four grants equivalent to 40% of the total registration fee from among the master's degrees that it teaches and which will start during the second semester of the 2022-23 academic year.

The total grants amount in the second Talent Help call 2022-23 is €12,000, which need not be allocated in its entirety.

The conditions that will govern this call are as follows:

1. The application period for the second call of Talent Help 2022-23 grants programme begins on November 29 and ends on December 21, 2022 (both dates inclusive).

2. Those who meet the following requirements may be recipients of these grants:

   • Holders of an academic record for a bachelor's degree course with a weighted average grade equal to or over 7 out of 10. All the subjects that comprise the relevant programme of study must have been completed in the five years before this call, i.e. since the 2016-17 academic year; and

   • Having been admitted to one of the FPC master's degrees by means of the relevant letter of admission.

3. The documentation necessary to submit the application is:

   I. National identity document, foreigner's identity document or valid passport.

   II. Curriculum vitae (which will be provided during the admission process).

   III. Official academic certificate of UPC bachelor's degree university studies. This certificate must include:

      a) The applicant's personal details.

      b) Details of the qualification.

      c) Information on the subjects passed: name, type, credits and grade for each.

      d) Weighted average grade.
Applicants that do not have this certificate and who are students at UPC centres can provide a copy of the PRISMA transcript.

Students who do not have either the official academic certificate or the PRISMA transcript may submit their bachelor's degree certificate, with the grades in the transcript having the following equivalent scores for the purposes of this call:

- Pass: 5
- Good: 7
- Excellent: 9
- Distinction: 10.

IV. Letter of motivation: The applicant must set out their professional and academic reasons for wishing to take the master's degree, and justify their financial need for applying for the grant for the registration fee and provide the relevant evidence thereof.

This document must provide justification that taking the master's degree will be essential for the candidate in terms of obtaining new professional opportunities.

The letter of motivation must be in Catalan, Spanish or English.

4. The application process is online only, via the link www.talent.upc.edu/ing/talenthelp, and all the information requested in all the fields must be completed and the requested documentation must be attached in PDF format.

5. The FPC may at any time request additional or original documentation to complete or verify the details contained in the application, and carry out the relevant checks to assess the application by the applicant for the grant, and to confirm the veracity and validity of the documents provided.

6. The Awards Tribunal, consisting of the executive director and two managers of the FPC, will assess the applicants' profiles based on all the documentation presented, and will award the grants to the applicants with the academic record with the highest weighted average grade. In the event of a tie, the grant will be awarded to the applicant who is deemed to have the greatest financial difficulties.

7. The decisions concerning the grants will be made on 12 January 2023. All applicants who have submitted their application correctly will be notified by telephone and/or email of the result.

8. Decisions concerning grants will under no circumstances be retrospective.

9. The decisions of the Awards Tribunal are not subject to any type of appeal and are final.
10. The recipients of the grant must pay the remainder of the registration fee before the start of the master's degree. Otherwise, they will lose the grant and the admission fees, and the grant will be awarded to the candidate with the next highest weighted average grade until the four grants have been allocated.

11. Each applicant may only apply for one grant and for one master's degree.

12. The remaining amount payable will not be eligible for other discounts, grants or subsidies.

13. If an applicant does not receive the grant or withdraws from the process before registration, they may request a refund of the admission fees paid.

14. If the master's degree for which a recipient has received the grant is cancelled, a programme with similar characteristics may be offered. If the recipient does not accept it, they may request a refund of the amount paid.

15. The FPC reserves the right to change these conditions without prior notice by publishing the changes at www.talent.upc.edu/ing/talenthelp, and to cancel this call.

16. Although the FPC has taken all the technical measures at its disposal, it cannot be held responsible and does not guarantee that access to the website to apply for the grants will be uninterrupted or error-free. It also cannot be held responsible for or guarantee that the content or software that can be accessed is error-free. The FPC will under no circumstances be responsible for any losses or damages of any kind arising from access and browsing, including damage to computer systems or caused by the introduction of viruses; or for outages, interruptions, absences or faults in telecommunications that may take place while the user is browsing.

17. Submitting the application to this call for Talent Help grants entails acceptance of these conditions.

Barcelona, 29 November 2022