1st CALL FOR TALENT HELP GRANTS 2020

The Talent Help 2020 call for grants is designed to foster people's talent and innovation through training, and it is aimed at university graduates with an academic transcript grade of 7 out of 10 or higher.

Five grants will be awarded, covering 40% of the registration fee for a selected range of master's degrees taught by the Fundació Politècnica de Catalunya (hereinafter the FPC) starting in the first semester of the 2020-21 academic year.

The total amount of the Talent Help 2020 grants is €25,000, although the entire grant amount may not necessarily be allocated.

This call will be subject to the following conditions:

1. The application period for the first call for the Talent Help grants programme begins on 8 June and it ends on 20 July 2020 (both dates inclusive).

2. People who meet the following requirements may apply for these grants:
   - Hold an academic transcript with a weighted average grade of 7 out of 10 or higher. An equivalence system for academic transcripts of students graduating in other countries will be established to confirm that the average grade meets the standard of the grades required.
   - Have been admitted to one of the master's degrees subject to this call (the letter of admission must have been received). The remaining registration fee must be paid by the recipient of the grant.

3. The documentation required to make the application is:
   I. National identity document, foreigner identity number or valid passport.
   II. Curriculum vitae (to be provided during the admission process).
   III. Official academic certificate of undergraduate 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.
   Applications with academic certificates issued by universities outside the Spanish University System must include a certificate issued by the university awarding the qualification showing the weighted average grade, the equivalent scale in the educational system of the country where the certificate was issued, and the minimum pass mark. Certificates in languages other than Catalan, Spanish or English must be accompanied by an official translation into one of those languages.
   IV. Letter of motivation: setting out the professional and academic reasons for taking the programme, the financial need for the grant for the payment of the registration fee and the relevant evidence thereof. This document must state why taking the programme will be useful for the candidate in obtaining new employment opportunities. Letters of motivation in languages other than Catalan, Spanish or English must be translated into one of those languages.

The FPC reserves the right to request any other documentation that it considers of interest for assessment of the candidature of the applicant for the grant.
4. Applications may only be made online, via the link www.talent.upc.edu/cat/talenthelp, filling out the information requested in each field and attaching the documentation requested in this call in PDF format.

5. The FPC may request additional or original documentation at any time in order to complete or verify the contents included in the application.

6. The Award Panel, formed by the management of the FPC, will assess the applicants’ profiles based on their academic transcript and their letter of motivation, and award the grant to the applicants who have the academic transcript with the highest weighted average grade. In the event of a tie in the grade, the grant will be awarded to the applicant who has the most proven financial difficulties.

7. The decision on the award of grants is scheduled for 24 July 2020. All applicants who have correctly submitted the application will be notified of the result by telephone and/or e-mail.

8. The decision to award the grants cannot be backdated under any circumstances.

9. The decisions of the Award Panel are not subject to any kind of appeal, and are final.

10. The recipients of the grant must pay the outstanding registration fee amount before the start of the programme. Otherwise, they will lose their grant and admission fees.

11. Each applicant may only apply for one grant for a single programme.

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

13. If an applicant does not receive the grant, he/she may request a refund of the admission fees paid.

14. If the programme for which the recipient of the grant has been offered a place is cancelled, he/she will be offered a place on a programme with similar characteristics. In the event that the student does not accept it, he/she may request a refund of the amount paid.

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

16. Submission of an application to the Talent Help programme entails acceptance of these conditions.

Barcelona, 8 June 2020