

## **Funding of PhD research stays at the University of Münster, Germany in 2021**

The Brazil Centre of the University of Münster, Germany offers interested **PhD students of the University São Paulo (USP)** the opportunity to perform a research stay at the University of Münster. The exchange program is part of the project **www.usp**, which aims to further develop the strategic partnership between the University of Münster and the University of São Paulo (USP) in Brazil and is supported by DAAD.

### **WHO CAN APPLY?**

PhD candidates of all faculties of the University of São Paulo (candidates from the field of Cities and Climate are welcome; however, all themes will be treated equally).

### **WHAT CAN BE FUNDED?**

Research stays in preparation of the PhD thesis (all disciplines).

### **DURATION OF THE FUNDING**

Up to a maximum of three months, to be completed before December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

### **VALUE**

Monthly payment of 400 Euros and travel allowance of 1.550 Euros (no payments towards health, accident and personal liability insurance).

### **CONDITIONS**

Proficient knowledge of English (B2/C1); basic knowledge of German is desirable.

### **DOCUMENTS NEEDED FOR THE APPLICATION**

- Motivation letter
- A research/work plan jointly agreed by both advisors
- Letter of recommendation from the USP advisor
- Letter of acceptance from the WWU advisor

### **SELECTION**

An independent selection committee reviews the applications. The most important selection criterion is a convincing and well-planned research stay. The result will be announced before the end of the subsequent month.

### **APPLICATION**

Due to the pandemic restrictions, the first round was extended. Therefore will be now only two application rounds in 2021 (depending on the funds available). Interested students submit their applications until April 30th, 2021 by using the forms attached (application\_for\_usp\_phd\_students.pdf) via E-Mail as one single PDF-document to the Brazil Centre of the WWU: [brazil.centre@uni-muenster.de](mailto:brazil.centre@uni-muenster.de).  
Incomplete submissions will not be considered!

### **IMPORTANT REMARKS**

- The travel lump sum will be paid after arrival in Münster, the subsistence on a monthly basis.
- Flight ticket and boarding pass must be delivered by the end of the stay.
- The final travel allowance will depend on various Corona restrictions, including regulations of WWU/USP

### **REPORT**

Afterwards a report is demanded including performed activities, results and perspectives for further cooperation. The report has to be signed by both advisors.

For questions or help in the case of finding a partner at:

USP: Prof. Dr. Marcio Lobo Netto ([marcio.netto@usp.br](mailto:marcio.netto@usp.br))

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