

CRITERIA OF THE OPEN CALL TO UNDERTAKE POST-DOCTORAL RESEARCH STUDIES AT THE UNESCO CHAIR IN EDUCATION AND TECHNOLOGY FOR SOCIAL CHANGE – UNIVERSITAT OBERTA DE CATALUNYA. OPEN CALL 2015

The following eligibility criteria apply:

1. Object

1. The objective of this call is the opening, on behalf of the UNESCO Chair in Education and Technology for Social Change, of an application submission period to undertake post-doctoral study research period that is non-remunerated at the Chair's premises.
2. The person that is chosen must develop a research programme in the areas that concern the activities of the Chair, especially related to education and technology applied to the educational process. The proposals that will be prioritised are those related to the fields of the quality of online education, the use of technologies for the development of collectives, and the economics of online education.

2. Conditions of the applicant

1. Those candidates that wish to apply for this collaboration must do it before the end of the application period, and must fulfil the following requirements:
 - a) Possess a qualification of PhD degree,
 - b) Demonstrate a researcher track record attached to the lines of work of the Chair,
 - c) Given the non-remunerated character of the collaboration, it is essential to have sufficient resources to face the expenses for this research period, be it by one's own resources or financial support by a public or a private institution, or a university or not,
 - d) Have a fluent command of English. Knowledge of Spanish and/or Catalan will be valued, but not decisive.

3. Duration

1. The post-doctoral period will be for a period of not less than two months.
2. The call will operate under the system of "*rolling admissions*"; and as such, there is no specific application period established. Proposals will be accepted while the call exists and there is capacity to host the researchers.

4. Rights and obligations of the beneficiary

1. The beneficiary will be afforded the following rights:

- a) A working space at their disposal at the premises of the Chair.
- b) Participate in various training activities and the dissemination of research activity organised by the Chair and the UOC.
- c) Obtain the necessary support to organise events for the dissemination of their activity by both the research and academic community of the UOC: workshops, seminars...; as well as the possibility of publishing in the journals of the UOC.
- d) Receive academic and administrative support from the Chair's team during the research period as well as having a person of reference at their disposal.

2. The beneficiary will have the following obligations:

- a) Facilitate administrative tasks by means of electronic mail
- b) Provide the specific documents for their inclusion as requested by the Chair.
- c) Maintain the necessary contact and communication with the assigned person of reference.
- d) Fulfil the objectives of the proposed research programme and approved by the present call and those commitments that could be produced between the beneficiary and the Chair's Board of Management.
- e) Declare their membership of the Chair and the UOC on any document as a result of the research work carried out.
- f) Offer at least an open presentation of their work to the UOC community.
- g) Fulfill the internal regulations of the UOC.
- h) Fill in an evaluation form of the research period on terminating the collaboration.
- i) Carry out and share a report of their research period with the Chair.

5. Incompatibilities

1. This research period will be compatible with the collaboration, remunerated or not, with other institutions provided that the programme of research is fulfilled in the terms and timelines agreed by the Chair's Board of Management.

6. Presentation of the application

1. Applications can be presented while the call remains open, without a specific time-span.
2. The documentation must be presented by means of an online form (<http://www.jotforme.uoc.com/form/50982135747361>) and will be as following:
 - a) Up-to-date curriculum

- b) Research programme and detailed work plan. It must be no more than 3 pages in length with Times New Roman font, size 12 with 1.5 spacing.
- c) Photocopy of DNI (National Identity Document) or passport
- d) Photocopy of academic qualification or the receipt of payment of the fees of the doctoral degree
- e) A letter from the institution of origin expressing their knowledge and support for that period of research and funding.
- f) In the event of receiving funding of their institution of origin or another entity, a confirmation letter where it specifies this information is required.

7. Evaluation

1. The Evaluation committee will be made up of:

- Albert Sangrà, Academic Director of the UNESCO Chair in Education and Technology for Social Change.
- Emma Kiselyova, Executive Director of the UNESCO Chair in Education and Technology for Social Change.
- A Professor from the Studies at the UOC related to the research topic.

8. Resolution

1. The Chair's Board of Management shall notify its decision in a period not more than 60 days from the presentation of the application.
2. The beneficiary will be contacted directly.
3. The beneficiary must accept the place granted within 15 days

9. Interruption and revocation of the contract

1. For justified reasons, the beneficiary can interrupt, definitively or not, the relationship outlined in these criteria. In any event, the Chair must be informed at least 15 days before the termination of the contractual relationship.
2. In an exceptional case, as a result of the breach of agreements or the criteria of the call, the collaboration can be terminated on behalf of the Chair's Board of Management.