

**NOTICE NO. 50/2026****COMPETITION FOR THE AWARD OF A GRANT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE RESEARCH GRANT REGULATIONS OF UALG**

Title: Research Scholarship (Master's) – 1 position

A competition is open for the award of one research Grant (Master) within the scope of the R&D project 10PS00152 – PS MOJU SER Mental 2.0 – “SER MENTAL 2.0 – Serviço Especializado em Rede para a Promoção da Saúde Mental na Infância e Adolescência” funded by the Program Portugal Inovação Social – Parcerias para a Inovação Social, funded, under the following conditions:

1. **Scientific Area:** Psychology Sciences
2. **Admission Requirements:** Master's in Educational Psychology, research experience, and proficiency in scientific English and SPSS.

Tendo em conta o nº 1 e nº 2 do Artigo 6.º do Regulamento de Bolsas de Investigação da Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia ou o nº 1 do Artigo 5.º do Regulamento de Bolsas de Investigação da Universidade do Algarve:

“1. As bolsas de investigação, adiante designadas BI, destinam-se à realização de atividades de I&D por estudantes inscritos num mestrado integrado, num mestrado ou doutoramento, visando a consolidação da sua formação científica através do desenvolvimento de trabalhos de investigação conducentes à obtenção do respetivo grau académico integrados ou não em projetos de I&D.

2. As bolsas a que se refere o presente artigo podem ainda destinar-se à realização de atividades de I&D, por licenciados ou mestres que se encontrem inscritos em cursos não conferentes de grau académico integrados no projeto educativo de uma instituição de ensino superior, desenvolvidos em associação ou cooperação com uma ou várias unidades de I&D. ”

3. **Project Objectives:** Assess the impact of the SER MENTAL 2.0 project in terms of reducing anxiety levels and promoting socio-emotional skills and mental health among children and adolescents. Analyze the satisfaction levels of other stakeholders involved in the project (i.e., families, practitioners, and the community).

4. **Applicable Legislation and Regulations:** Research Fellow Statute, approved by Law No. 40/2004 of August 18, as amended by Decree-Law No. 65/2024 of October 1, and the University of Algarve Research Grant Regulations (<https://files.dre.pt/2s/2021/10/210000000/0013700149.pdf>). Or the Foundation for Science and Technology Research Grant Regulations (<https://files.diariodarepublica.pt/2s/2019/12/241000000/0009100105.pdf>).

5. **Workplace:** The work will be carried out at the Faculty of Human and Social Sciences, under the scientific supervision of Professor Cátia Sofia Martins.

6. **Duration of grant(s):** The grant will last three months, with the start date scheduled for the first of September of two thousand and twenty two. The grant contract may be renewed until the end of the project, taking into account the University of Algarve Research Grant Regulations. (<https://files.dre.pt/2s/2021/10/210000000/0013700149.pdf>) and the Research Grant Regulations of the Foundation for Science and Technology (<https://files.diariodarepublica.pt/2s/2019/12/241000000/0009100105.pdf>).

**7. Monthly maintenance allowance amount:** The monthly maintenance allowance is €1,359.64. The maintenance allowance will be paid monthly by bank transfer. (<https://www.fct.pt/wp-content/uploads/2026/03/Tabela-de-Valores-SMM-2026.pdf>).

**8. Candidate evaluation:** In accordance with the provisions of Article 11.2 of the University of Algarve Research Grant Regulations OR the Foundation for Science and Technology Research Grant Regulations In the Science and Technology field, the evaluation of candidates will be based solely on the following criteria: Academic merit (60%); research experience and/or specific training relevant to the project (30%); motivation letter (5%); and other skills (good knowledge of SPSS and scientific English) (5%).

**9.** The evaluation process may include an interview with the candidates or a portion of them, to be selected by the Evaluation Panel, which will have a maximum weighting of 20%.

**10.** Composition of the Application Evaluation Board: The Application Evaluation Board is composed of three full members and one alternate (all PhDs):

- Maria Cristina Salgado Nunes (President) (Full Professor, Faculty of Human and Social Sciences);
- Cátia Sofia Martins (Full Member) (Assistant Professor Auxiliar, Faculty of Human and Social Sciences)
- Marta Sofia Ventosa Brás (Full Member) (Assistant Professor Auxiliar, Faculty of Human and Social Sciences);
- Cláudia Isabel Guerreiro Carmo (Alternate Member) (Associate Professor Auxiliar, Faculty of Human and Social Sciences).

**11. Publication/Notification of Results:** The final evaluation results will be published on the Ualg website, in a list ordered by the final grade obtained, and the successful candidate will be notified via email.

**12. Application Deadline and Submission Method:** The competition is open from **06/07/2026 to 17/07/2026**.

**13. Applications must be accompanied by the following documents:**

- a) Official identification document (simple copy or legal equivalent). Applicants of non-Portuguese nationality must present a residence permit, permanent residence certificate, or long-term resident status, valid on the scholarship start date. Any of these may be replaced, in its absence, by a declaration of honor by the candidate. However, this must be submitted during the scholarship contracting phase, under penalty of forfeiture of the scholarship award;
- b) Curriculum Vitae;
- c) Copy of the qualification certificates for the academic degrees held, specifying the final grade and, if possible, the grades obtained in all courses taken;
- d) Other documents deemed relevant due to the type and modality of the scholarship.
- e) The Application for Application to the Competition, dated and signed, must be addressed to the President of the Competition Evaluation Panel, <https://www.ualg.pt/sites/default/files/documentos/2022-12/anexo-iii-requerimento-para-candidatura-bolsa-pt.pdf>, It can be sent to the address: Faculdade de Ciências Humanas e Sociais, Universidade do Algarve, Campus de Gambelas, 8005-139 Faro or by email to [csnunes@ualg.pt](mailto:csnunes@ualg.pt), Ref.<sup>a</sup> 10PS00152 – PS MOJU. In the aforementioned application, **you must expressly consent to all notifications related to the bidding process being sent to the indicated email address.**



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**14. Documents to be submitted for the scholarship agreement:**

- a. Individual Taxpayer Registry (INV) information, if the applicant is a nationality other than Portuguese, must be submitted during the scholarship agreement process, under penalty of forfeiture of the scholarship award;
- b. Documents proving that the applicant meets the requirements for the respective type of scholarship, namely, proof of enrollment and registration and the study cycle or course that does not confer an academic degree;
- c. Declaration of the advisor(s) assuming responsibility for supervising the work plan, in accordance with Article 5-A of the Research Scholarship Statute, as well as guaranteeing the necessary conditions for the successful development of the work and compliance with the duties set forth in Article 13 of the Research Scholarship Statute;
- d. Declaration of Commitment to the Exclusive Dedication Regime.

**15. Deadlines and Procedures for Complaints and Appeals:**

Candidates may, if they so wish, comment on the draft decision to award the requested scholarship, at a hearing for interested parties within 10 business days, under the terms and for the purposes set forth in Article 121 of the Code of Administrative Procedure.

Candidates have the right to complain to the evaluation panel within 10 business days regarding the commission or omission of any act.

An appeal may be filed against the final decision of the application evaluation panel to the Rector within 10 business days of notification.

**16. Scholarship Contract:**

After receiving all required documentation, a scholarship contract will be signed with the selected candidate(s) in accordance with the attached template.

**17. Evaluation of Fellow(s):**

At the end of each fellowship contract period, the advisor will evaluate the fellow(s)' work by applying the following criteria, in accordance with the attached template:

- a) Performance in the established work plan.

The University of Algarve reserves the right to cancel the fellowship award process, within the scope of the Project in question, whenever funding is not awarded or the scholarship duration exceeds the project completion date.

University of Algarve, 24 of June of 2026

The Principal Investigator

Professor Cátia Sofia Martins