



## Transilvania Fellowship Program

*Transilvania* University of Braşov offers annual residential Fellowships to outstanding young researchers and scholars with international experience, through two programs:

- Transilvania Fellowship for Postdoctoral Research/Young Researchers
- Transilvania Fellowship for Visiting Professors

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### Transilvania Fellowship for Postdoctoral Research/Young Researchers

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This Fellowship is aimed mainly at researchers from abroad who do not hold a permanent position in a research organization or in higher education. The University academic staff are not eligible.

The applications may be submitted at any time and will be evaluated in two stages: applications submitted between February-August will be evaluated in September, and applications submitted between September-January will be evaluated in February.

The applications will be submitted to the following e-mail address: [fellowships@unitbv.ro](mailto:fellowships@unitbv.ro).

**Objective:** to stimulate excellence in research, to intensify international collaboration, and to develop good practices in interdisciplinary research.

**Expected results:** an increase in the quantity of international publications and projects submitted in international competitions, the creation of research networks and the consolidation of international partnerships.

**Duration of the Fellowship:** minimum 3 months, maximum 12 months.

**Number of Fellowships awarded:** maximum 20 fellowships/university year.

**Stipend:** 4000 RON/month.

- Fellows from abroad and those who do not live in Braşov may be provided with: accommodation on the University campus and reimbursement for transportation expenses (one round-trip);
- Fellows will be provided with office space in the Research and Development Institute of the University and with access to the institute facilities and resources.

**Eligibility criteria:**

- 1) the candidate must hold a PhD in science, completed within the last five years (at the time of application);
- 2) important achievements in research confirmed by the quality and acknowledgment of their scientific results:
  - at least three publications as main author (article or review) in ISI Web of Science JCR journals/Clarivate Analytics in Q1 (first Quartile, Rank by Journal Impact Factor, at the date of publication); publications at the MDPI publisher (Multidisciplinary Digital Publishing Institute) are not scored;
  - alternatively, for Arts and Humanities, one volume as main author published with a prestigious international publishing house (list A1 – provided by The National Council for the Certification of University Titles, Diplomas and Certificates - CNATDCU, available on the University website) or at least three articles as main author published in ISI Web of Science Arts & Humanities indexed journals in the last 5 years;
- 3) member in international research groups and teams;
- 4) recommendation letters from two professors/scholars, prominent in their field;
- 5) the candidate must not benefit from another postdoctoral grant for the duration of the Fellowship;
- 6) the candidate must not hold a permanent position in a research organization or in higher education.

**Obligations of Fellows:**

- to participate in the activities and events of the University's scientific community;
- to organize at least one lecture/workshop/seminar, if the Fellowship is longer than 6 months;
- for Fellowships between 3-6 months: at least two articles must be submitted for publication, as main author (article or review), in ISI Web of Science JCR/Clarivate Analytics journals in Q1 (first Quartile, rank by JIF); alternatively, for Arts and Humanities, a chapter/article in a volume published with a prestigious international publishing house (list A1 - provided by CNATDCU) or at least two articles submitted for publication in ISI Web of Science Arts & Humanities indexed journals;
- for Fellowships longer than 6 months: at least three articles must be submitted for publication, as main author (article or review), in ISI Web of Science JCR/Clarivate Analytics journals in Q1 (first Quartile, rank by JIF); alternatively, for arts and humanities, a volume as main author published with a prestigious international publishing house (list A1 - provided by CNATDCU) or at least three articles submitted for publication in ISI Web of Science Arts & Humanities indexed journals;
- to mention the affiliation to Transilvania University of Braşov in every scientific article, document, and patent resulted from the research done during the Fellowship;
- to submit a report of their activity before the end of the Fellowship.

**The application file** will be submitted in English and will include:

- the application form (available on the University website)
- the agreement of the Head of the Department where they will conduct their activity and the agreement of the coordinator of the research center for applications which involve the use of the institute facilities and resources (no templates provided)
- copy of the PhD degree
- two letters of recommendation from professors/scholars, prominent in their field.

### **Evaluation and selection**

- 1) The verification of the eligibility criteria is done within 3 weeks after receiving the application. Incomplete files will be rejected.
- 2) The applications which meet the eligibility criteria will be evaluated in a peer-review system by a panel of 3 expert evaluators, appointed by the University Research Council.
- 3) The evaluators will grade: the research experience – 50%; the feasibility and impact of the project – 50%. The members of the panels may ask candidates to take part in an interview (face to face or via video-conference). The minimum necessary score: 80 points.
- 4) The applications will be ranked in descending order of the scores. The final list of applications with the highest scores, approved by the Rector of the University, will be published on the University website.

### **Contacts and useful information:**

E-mail: [fellowships@unitbv.ro](mailto:fellowships@unitbv.ro)

Websites:

- [Faculties and Departments](#)
- [Research and Development Institute](#)