

CALL FOR DOCTORAL APPLICATIONS 2024

SCOPE OF THE CALL

The Graduate School of Life & Health Sciences opens a call for interdisciplinary PhD projects at the interface of Biology and another scientific discipline.

The present call is for two PhD positions (3-year) funded:

- 1 fully by the Graduate School Life & Health Sciences
- 1 in collaboration with the Academy 4: Complexity and diversity of living systems

GUIDELINES

ARTICLE 1 – ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The project must imperatively be based on an established collaboration between a team belonging to one of the labs in primary affiliation of LIFE Graduate School (C3M, ECOSEAS, IBV, IPMC, IRCAN, ISA, LP2M, TIRO-MATOS, UR2CA, LRTO) and another research team at Université Côte d'Azur or in France for the complementary disciplines.

The main supervisor must be Habilitated to Direct Research (HDR) or equivalent and must be affiliated to one of the labs in primary affiliation of LIFE Graduate School. Co-direction by both laboratories is accepted but not mandatory.

ARTICLE 2 – EVALUATION CRITERIA

- Scientific quality and feasibility of the interdisciplinary project
- Quality of the supervisor and of the main collaborator from the other discipline
- Excellence of the candidate according to the Health and Life Science criteria (in particular their ranking/distinction obtained in Master)
- Ability of the candidate to master the interdisciplinary aspects of the subject

ARTICLE 3 – DOCUMENTS TO BE PROVIDED

The application must be written in English or in French.

For the research project:

- A short scientific presentation of the project (max 2-page recto-verso) detailing:
 - **Summary** (1/2 page)
 - **Scientific aim and impact**
 - **Originality**
 - **Feasibility**
 - **The relevance of the interdisciplinary consortium**
(details regarding supervision & management from both disciplines should also be mentioned)

For the candidate:

- CV of the candidate
- At least, one recommendation letter of previous supervisor/tutors
- Master transcript including detailed marks and ranks (when available)
(if the Master is not finished yet, a transcript of the grades obtained so far and a letter of the professor in charge of the Master stating at the very least that he/she is confident in the fact that the student will obtain his/her degree)
- Motivation letter (max 1-page recto)

For the supervisor and the main collaborator from the other discipline:

- Letter explaining the link of the thesis subject and support laboratory (max 1-page recto)
- Brief CVs, including 5 recent publications over the past 3 years

ALL DOCUMENTS HAVE TO BE CONCATENATED IN A SINGLE PDF FILE IN THE FOLLOWING FORMAT: LAST NAME of the candidate_LIFEPHD2024.pdf

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

ARTICLE 4 – SELECTION COMMITTEE

Applications will be examined by a Scientific Committee made up of 50% of members from the Conseil de l'Ecole Doctorale Sciences de la Vie et de la Santé (ED85)/LIFE Graduate School and 50% of experts covering the complementary disciplines.

ARTICLE 5 – IMPORTANT DATES

- April 2 2024: Launch of the call
- **May 31, 2024: Deadline for the submission of applications****
- June 7, 2024: Candidates selected for the oral presentation will be notified
- June 18, 2024: Interviews (by videoconference if necessary) of preselected candidates (morning session)
- June 20, 2024: Publication of final ranking
- June 24, 2024 (17h): deadline for accepting the position

***The application to this call does not exclude applications to other PhD fellowships*

Applications must be sent to the LIFE Graduate School:
eur-life@univ-cotedazur.fr