

Call for applications for the award of one (1) research scholarship under the auspices of the Pedro Yablonowsky Fund.

About the Fund and the Pedro Yablonowsky Prize

The Pedro Yablonowsky Fund was established in the name of IME-USP, and is managed by it, based on the legacy of Mrs. Eugênia Yablonowsky. The aim of the Pedro Yablonowsky Fund is to promote scientific research in Mathematics at USP, thus honoring Eugênia's husband Pedro Yablonowsky, a Mathematics enthusiast, who lived in São Paulo with his wife during the first half of the 20th century. The management of the Pedro Yablonowsky Fund by IME-USP is the responsibility of the Fund's Management Council (CGFY in Portuguese). The second call for proposals is being launched by IME-USP in 2024, for awards commencing in 2025.

The Pedro Yablonowsky Fund, according to IME-USP's Ordinance No. 1734 of December 22, 2017, provides for the awards of research scholarships in the postdoctoral category. In addition, scholars rewarded by the scholarships will compete for a cash prize also funded by the fund. The time period of the prize is a one year scholarship. The first prize will be awarded to the scholar who is considered to have produced the best work during the respective scholarship period, among all scholars up to that point.

The first award of the Pedro Yablonowsky Prize will be evaluated only after the third year of the initial payment of the first scholarship, provided there are at least 5 eligible candidates to compete for it. More information about the first award of this prize will be disclosed in due course. The evaluation and decision of each award of the prize will be made by a committee of experts, external to IME-USP, comprised exclusively for this purpose, appointed by CGFY and approved by the Congregation of IME-USP.

May 2024 Scholarship Call

- a. **Applications.** CGFY will receive applications for the scholarship under the auspices of the Pedro Yablonowsky Fund for 90 days from 05/15/2024, at <cgfy@ime.usp.br>.

Candidates must hold a PhD from a distinguished institution of excellence, preferably with a maximum age of 35 or with a PhD obtained no more than 10 years ago, and are welcome to apply in all areas of Mathematics, including Applied Mathematics, Statistics, and Computer Science. Each project must describe in detail an original research plan for the duration of the scholarship and must be endorsed by a researcher from IME-USP, who will act as the supervisor.

The candidate must contact the supervisor in advance to obtain their agreement to act as such. The supervisor must be nominated by the candidate at the time of application and must submit a letter directly to CGFY agreeing to the submission of the project and to act as the supervisor.

In addition, each project (written in Portuguese, English or Spanish) must be accompanied by the candidate's curriculum vitae, with detailed information on his or her academic and research history¹, as

well as two recommendation letters from experienced researchers in their field who know him or her well.

The supervisor chosen in conjunction with IME-USP is not eligible for this purpose.

¹ An updated version of the Lattes Curriculum is acceptable

- b. Selection of the scholar.** The judgment of scholarship applications under this call, and the decision on any selected candidate to receive the scholarship, will be made by a committee of experts that was established exclusively for this selection. This committee is publicly known, external to IME-USP, appointed by CGFY, and approved by the Congregation of IME-USP.

In the assessment, the expert committee will evaluate:

- i) The candidate's scientific production.
- ii) Professional activities developed.
- iii) The excellence of the project presented and its adherence to the conditions of the call.

Responses to applications will be individually disclosed by email within 120 days after the end of the application period.

The selected scholar's project must be exclusively developed at IME-USP, commencing no later than 180 days after the results are disclosed, for a period of 1 year, with the possibility of extension for an additional year.

A request for reconsideration of the results can be submitted to the expert committee within 05 (five) business days from its publication.

- c. Report and renewal.** At the end of the project, the scholarship holder will have 30 days to submit a report of their research activities during the period. Requests for scholarship renewal must be submitted to CGFY, along with a report on the work developed so far and a new project or an extension of the current project, with a minimum of 60 days in advance so that the eventual renewal can take place without interruption. Reports and renewal requests will be evaluated by CGFY based on the opinions of experts external to IME-USP.
- d. Scholarship value and other benefits.** The scholarship includes: 12 monthly payments of R\$ 10,032.53.

In the event of the arrival of a child during the scholarship period, the scholarship holder will be entitled to a paid leave of 120 days under the same conditions that apply to FAPESP scholarship holders, as per the PR Regulation no. 05/2019 (<https://fapesp.br/12872/portaria-pr-no-052019>).

In the exceptional case that the scholarship holder needs to interrupt the scholarship, he or she must immediately inform CGFY in writing, presenting a report on the activities carried out up to that point, with the consent of the supervisor.

e. About the scholars. The scholars will follow the provisions of USP Resolution 8241 of May 26, 2022:

1st) The receipt of the scholarship is conditional on admission to the USP Postdoctoral Program, as provided for in article 4 of Resolution USP 8241/2022, calling the next approved candidate in case the grant is canceled.

2nd) The selected researcher cannot accumulate scholarships, as provided for in article 5 of Resolution 8241/2022, and must present a declaration at the time of accepting the award letter.

3rd) Receipt of the scholarship does not create an employment relationship with the University of São Paulo or any labor, social security, or related obligations.

4th) Causes for the termination of the scholarship:

i) Request of the supervisor or the scholarship holder, duly justified.

ii) The end of the postdoctoral bond.

iii) Non-submission or rejection of the scholarship holder's report(s).

iv) The award of another scholarship to the same scholarship holder by a funding agency or any other USP agency.

v) Violation of the USP Code of Ethics, verified through a procedure that ensures the right to a hearing and a full defense.

f. Important dates

Starting date for applications: 05/15/2024

Deadline for application submission: 08/12/2024

Announcement of selected project: 12/07/2024

Maximum initial date of the project: 05/05/2025