
Talent Scholarship

FAQs

1. Can I apply for the scholarship if I am enrolling on a postgraduate course?

No. Talent Scholarships are only awarded to students on master programs worth 60 ECTS credits or more except any programs for which the application process is external to the UPF's Institute of Continuing Education's Private Foundation and the Master in Spanish Legal Practice.

2. Can I apply for the scholarship if I am a foreign student?

Yes. There is no problem if you already possess a university qualification, have obtained a very good GPA (Grade Point Average), and have paid the portion of the tuition fee required to reserve your place on the master program that you wish to enrol on.

3. Can I apply for the scholarship if I am already studying my master program?

No. You can only apply for a Talent Scholarship if the deadline for application falls before the beginning of the program.

4. Is it essential to have paid 25% of the total tuition fee for the master program to be considered for the scholarship?

Yes. All candidates must have paid this amount, which reserves a place on the program, in order to apply for the scholarship.

5. Do I need to wait until the final decision regarding my scholarship before I pay the remaining 75% of the tuition fee?

No, you can pay the remaining amount before beginning the program. If you are awarded a scholarship, we will return the relevant amount to you.

6. I need to provide my PC in order to submit my scholarship application. What is it? How do I get it?

Your PC is your personal code for the Institute of Continuing Education's Private Foundation, Pompeu Fabra University. It will be sent to you in an email once you have paid the 25% of the tuition fee necessary to confirm your place.

7. I have already submitted most of the documentation required for the scholarship application when applying for my master program. Do I need to send it all again?

Yes, some of it. Since we already have your curriculum vitae and the letters of recommendation that you sent during the admission process, you do not need to send them again. Regarding your **Transcript of Records**, you only have to provide this again if the copy you sent during the application process for your master program does not contain your GPA and the conversion chart corresponding to the education system of the country in which the degree was issued. You must provide a new **letter of motivation** that includes the reasons why you are applying for the scholarship (not the same as the one you sent previously, which includes your reasons for choosing the master program).

8. As part of my application I need to present my Transcript of Records. Does it have to be certified?

No. For your scholarship application you just need to upload a scanned or virtual copy of your transcript to the document platform of the scholarship application form. Separately from this process, it is possible that the Admissions Department may ask you for a certified copy of your transcript to finalize your enrolment.

9. If I have studied various degrees, which degree and transcript should I present?

For the purposes of awarding a scholarship, the transcript that will be evaluated must correspond to undergraduate or bachelor studies with a GPA of 3.0 out of 4.0. However, we recommend that you submit all your qualifications and transcripts, since they can still accredit your academic talent.

10. What do I do if my transcript does not provide the GPA?

If your Transcript of Records does not state your GPA you will have to request a certificate from your university that states the average grade of your transcript. In this case it is important that you attach a conversion chart or a scale corresponding to the educational system of the country in which the degree was issued.

11. To request an extension of the scholarship for financial difficulty I have to submit a certificate that accredits my unemployed status. Where can I obtain this certificate?

You can request this certification from the relevant official authorities of your home country.

12. To request an extension of the scholarship for financial difficulty I have to submit an income statement from the company I work for. Where can I obtain this certificate?

In Spain, all companies can issue this certification in order to provide information on their employees' income. In other countries you must request that your company issues you a similar document.

13. To request an extension of the scholarship for financial difficulty I have to submit my tax return but I have never completed one before. What can I submit?

If you have never worked, or you have never completed a tax return you must present an official document which reflects your family's last tax return.

14. To request an extension of the scholarship for financial difficulty I have to submit my tax return. Do I have to submit the entire document?

No. For foreign returns you must attach the part that summarizes annual tax payments withheld and made, earned income and other economic activities.

15. If I am not awarded a scholarship, will the money I have paid up to that point be returned to me?

Yes, partially. If you are not awarded a scholarship and you want to resign from the master program we will return the money you have paid up to that point, minus a retention for administrative costs, as specified in the terms and conditions of the Institute of Continuing Education's Private Foundation, Pompeu Fabra University.

16. Are Talent Scholarships subject to tax?

Yes, but only in the case that you are awarded a scholarship for a non-official master program (*máster propio*). Talent Scholarships are subject to the Spanish personal income tax (IRPF), and, as such, are taxed significantly. In the case of official master programs no tax applies. If you have any questions, our institution can provide you with information on your specific situation.