



Call for Applications for a PhD in Social Sciences at the University of Brasília

Applications for the selection process for international candidates for the PhD course of the Postgraduate Program in Social Sciences - Comparative Studies on the Americas, for the first academic period of 2024 through the website <http://inscricaoaposgraduacao.unb.br/> from 00:01 a.m. between February 1st and 11:59 p.m. on February 15th, 2024 (Time Zone of Brasília). Only online applications are accepted.

Applications are on the website <https://inscricaoaposgraduacao.unb.br> by uploading all the documents in PDF format, completed and signed by the applicants.

There are eight vacancies available to international students.

Enrollment

Applications are at <https://inscricaoaposgraduacao.unb.br> by inserting all the documents in PDF format completed and signed by the candidates.

Candidates completing their Master's degree may register for the selection process, provided that they can finish their Master course before the first day of the beginning of the PhD course at the University of Brasilia.

As enrollment is exclusively digital, there is the need to upload the scanned versions of the following documents:

- Application form (Annex I)
- Research project
- Research Project in English or Spanish.
- Official document containing the academic records and Master's degree diploma (front and back).
- Curriculum Vitae
- ID document or passport (front and back)
- Proof of residence in the country of origin
- Exam certificate of proficiency in English or Spanish except for native speakers of these languages

There is no application fee.

Steps in the selection process

The selection process for the Doctorate will consist of the following stages:

Assessment of the Research Project: The Research Project must be presented in Portuguese, English, or Spanish and must include the following items: i) presentation of the topic, ii) review of the relevant literature, iii) general and specific objectives, iv) comparative methodology, v) timetable and vi) bibliographical references. The Research Project must be between 10 (ten) and 15 (fifteen) pages long, excluding the bibliographical references and the cover, and in A4 format with 1.5 line spacing and Times New Roman font.

The cover of the Research Project must indicate the title and the intended line of research. The document must not contain, on the surface or anywhere else, the candidate's name or any other personal information that could identify them.

Curriculum analysis: This will consist of analyzing the points awarded by the candidate by based on the documents submitted by the candidate at the time of enrollment. The evaluation criteria for this test are below.

Evaluation from candidates

For each test, a score of 0 (zero) to 100 (one hundred) points is assigned based on the arithmetic mean of the individual scores of the examiners. The stages of the PhD Selection Process are:

Evaluation of the Research Project: This stage is eliminatory and classificatory, and the minimum mark for approval is 50 (fifty). Evaluation criteria will be the adequacy of the project presentation - 20 (twenty) points, the research problem and its context - 20 (20) points, the feasibility of the project - 20 (twenty) points, the timeliness and the relevance of the references - 20 (twenty) issues and the relevance of the research topic for a comparative studies program in Social Sciences - 20 (twenty) points.

CV analysis: This stage is only classificatory. The aspects analyzed in the CV will be scientific production and professional experience proven by providing a simple copy of the documentation.

Ranking and final marks

- The final mark for each candidate will be the arithmetic mean of the marks obtained in the selection process.
- Only candidates who achieve at least a final mark of 50 (fifty) will be considered successful.
- Successful candidates will be ranked in descending order of their final marks.
- In the event of a tie, the tie-breaking criteria will be in the following order:
- Highest Research Project Assessment score.
- Highest score in the Curriculum Analysis.

Scholarships

The graduate program has scholarships for international students, albeit for candidates well-placed in the ranking with the best marks in the selection process.

Schedule

Period	Stage
From February 1st to February 15th	Enrollment http://inscricaoaposgraduacao.unb.br/
February 21st	Announcement of Enrolled candidates
February 22nd	Curriculum and research projects analysis
February 28nd	Announcement of Final Results
March 1st	Deadline to confirm enrollment by selected candidates

Annex I – Application Form

Application form
Name:
Address: Country: State: City: Post Code:
E-mail:
Cell Phone:
Date of Birth:
ID (Passport or personal ID):
Bachelor's degree: University/College : Year the course was finished:
Candidates' Research Project title: