

# **International Students' USP Grant Program**

**The International Students' USP Grant Program** main purpose is to make viable the increasing of the number of foreign visiting students, undergraduate and graduate, for developing studies or research activities in 2014 at its *Campi*.

USP will offer 60 (sixty) grants which will be allocated as follows:

- 1. Region A: 15 grants for the southern and Central America and Sub-Saarian African countries\*;
- 2. Region B: 15 grants for North American and Caribbean countries;
- 3. Region C: 15 grants for European, Northern African and Middle East countries;
- 4. Region D: 15 grants for Central Asian, Persian Gulf, Northern Asian, Southeastern Asian and Oceanian countries.

### **Participation Criteria**

- 1. Be a regularly enrolled student to an University officially covenanted to USP.
- 2. Be entitled of 50% of the credits (or equivalent) in the courses he/she is running.

#### **Activity development periods**

- \* For this group of countries USP will exceptionally offer 5 grants in 2014.
  - For undergraduate students the activities should start in the USP first academic semestre, from 17 February 2014 up to 2 July 2014 or during the second academic semester, from 4 August 2014 up to 6 December 2014.
  - 2. For **graduate students** the activities can start **within the 2014 academic year**.

## **Applications**

Students shall send the document set listed below to the USP Executive Vice-Rectory for International Relations, through the following e-mail address: <a href="mailto:internationalgrants@usp.br">internationalgrants@usp.br</a>, not later than 30 October 2013.

#### **List of documents:**

- a) Student full transcripts issued by the home institution>
- b) Letter of indication issued by the home institution.
- c) Plan of studies.
- d) For graduate students, a letter issued by his/her supervisor expressing the concordance on his/her stay at USP..

#### **Selection**

The **Program Coordinating Committee** will appraisal the candidacies in accordance with the following prerequisites:

- a) Student performance on the studies already carried out;
- b) Prizes and/ or distinguished academic activities at his/her home institution, and
- c) Other criteria still to be defined by the Program Coordinating Committee.

The Program Coordinating Committee will publish the results in appropriate time for the student activities start, in 2014.

Graduate students whose candidacies have been pre-selected by the Committee will be sent to the USP Graduate Studies Program where the activities will supposedly be developed. These candidacies will only be definitely accepted after the Graduate Studies responsible professor gives his favorable written statement.

Awarded students must agree to:

- 1. Sign the "grant concession term" at their arrival to USP
- 2. Dedicate him/herself exclusively to the studies program during his/her stay at USP.

3. Present a written report on the activities developed at USP not later than 30 days after the program closing; and

## **Benefits offered by Grant Program**

- 1. Six monthly allowances of R\$ 1.200,00 (one thousand and two hundred Brazilian reals);
- 2. Travel financial aid for the displacement to Brazil which value will be defined in accordance with the student home geographic region/country;
- 3. Financial aid for installation costs in São Paulo, equivalent to one month allowance (R\$ 1,200.00).
- 4. Students belonging to double-diploma (undergraduate studies) or Double Title Doctorate students can be conceded up to 18 (eighteen) monthly allowances limit and the displacement financial aid (Item II above) will be raised in 50% (fifty percent).