

2nd International research bursary L'Escala 2024

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CALL FOR THE SECOND INTERNATIONAL L'ESCALA
AUTUMN SCHOLARSHIP RESEARCH RESIDENCE



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01 A residency for research and artistic creation

The City Council of L'Escala (Girona, Catalonia) is launching this **international** scholarship aimed at researchers who, individually or collectively, present a research proposal in accordance with the bases approved at this call, whose objective is to promote study in the fields of social and human sciences and natural sciences, and will be awarded to the best unpublished original research project in the social and scientific fields referred to L'Escala and its environment or sphere of influence.

02 Residency features

The residency will be three months long in Autumn 2024, at Casa Forestal de Sant Martí d'Empúries, a medieval village within L'Escala municipality, located by the sea in an incomparable landscape. The accommodation offers some excellent living conditions, and residents can also work at the Carolingian Castle space, located opposite Casa Forestal.

03 Whom it is addressed to

Researchers who, individually or collectively, present a research project in the fields of science or social sciences, related to L'Escala and the surrounding area. Those should have a proven research history and should be able to commit to their continuous presence throughout the entire stay. The research project they present must be original and unpublished. Researchers of **any nationality** can participate in the scholarship.

04 Duration

This is a three-month stay in Sant Martí d'Empúries (L'Escala) during the autumn months, September – December 2024, to develop the project and includes the final presentation of the research results.

Each participant agrees (at the end of their residence) to present the results of the research project they have developed in order to share it with the public and carry out its appropriate dissemination. A copy of the completed project must be left at L'Escala Town Hall.

05 Conditions

The research project's subject is open within the procedures stated above.

The scholarship will be to promote knowledge in the fields of science or social sciences and its dissemination. Those projects that base themselves on the area landscape, historical and human context will be specially taken into account.

06 Candidatures

Requirements to apply for the Autumn 2024 Scholarship:

- Be over 18 years of age and of any nationality.
- **The application file must be submitted in digital format (PDF) only, by means of the application form (instància genèrica as a cover form) and written in Catalan, Spanish or English.** Any files submitted in another language or with missing requirements will be removed from the call and destroyed.

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- **The applications submission deadline is June 27th 2024.**
- Participating in this call implies acceptance of its bases and the jury's resolution.
- Once the verdict is published, any unselected submissions will be automatically deleted to guarantee their confidentiality.

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Project contents to be submitted

- You must fill in the generic entry registration form (instància genèrica) and include the documents listed below in PDF format.
https://www.lescala.cat/es/tramites-y-gestiones/instancia-generica/_id:19/
- A CV must be submitted along with the candidate's personal data, 5 pages maximum (PDF).
- A research project outline must be presented, in which any objectives to be achieved, sources, bibliography, methodology and work schedule to be followed are detailed. This documentation should take a maximum of 15 DIN-A-4 sheets and can be accompanied by any graphic material and digital links that may be considered necessary.
- An ID or passport photocopy (PDF).
- An ID photocopy in case it is a legal entity, the representative's ID card or document and any other documents attesting the representation.
- A medical card or any other health insurance attestation Photocopy (PDF).
- A note of intent for the project (one page maximum, in PDF): descriptive memory of the research project and possible needs in situ.

08 Evaluation criteria

1. Scientific and technical project qualities: 25 points
2. Project feasibility and suitability: 25 points
3. How it relates to L'Escala and its territorial area, both for its originality and its subject. 30 points.
4. Candidate's CV as well as research and divulgation experience: 20 points.

Conditions of acceptance:

1. The bursary winner must communicate the acceptance of the grant in writing, within a period of 10 days from receiving notice of being the selected candidate. Failing to do so will be understood as the winner waiving the scholarship, so their right will be lost so that the bursary may be awarded to the next selected person, and so on.
2. Realize the residence in the terms established by the call's regulations.
3. The project completion period, once the scholarship recipient's calendar proposal has been reviewed, will be set by the scholarship Management.
4. The completed project and its dissemination elements must state that the scholar has been selected for L'Escala 2024 Autumn Research Scholarship.
5. At the end of the research residence, a complete project report must be submitted.

08 Evaluation criteria

6. Work ownership: L'Escala Town Council can publish the winning work, and the amount of the Grant is considered copyright for its first publication. Likewise, L'Escala Town Council reserves the right to publish the complete work and/or the summary in the form of a pamphlet on digital support. On the other hand, the author or authors undertake to make adaptations supervise its publication without additional gratuities.
7. The person or work team in receipt of the Scholarship agrees to participate and collaborate in the scheduled activities throughout their residency.

09 Research grant

The winner of the scholarship is awarded a €2,500 research grant (taxes included). The second and third classified will be considered finalists and will opt to the scholarship in the event the first selected candidate should resign. Any people and materials return trip expenses will be met by the person or people participating. That said, the City Council will provide transportation for materials both at the time arrival and departure, from the winner's address, train station or airport, to L'Escala, provided that the distance does not exceed 200 kms.

The winner or winners can resort to other public or private aid. L'Escala Town Council will be responsible for all expenses related to the use of the accommodation and the workshop.

10 Bursary and school

L'Escala Town Council is willing to propose greater interaction between the scholarship recipient and the schools. The aim is taking advantage of the three months' stay in order to develop research in the municipality and thus arouse the curiosity of the youngest, arouse their interest for the world of research, and disseminate scientific and research methods.

In this sense, the researcher will be asked to host some school visits throughout their residence period or make some work presentations at the education centers of the municipality.

11 Activities, communication and media

Throughout the three-month stay, an activity programme will be established to liaise the resident with the local environment and its people, and vice versa. The objective is to bring scientific research and dissemination closer to the public and thus establish a relationship with L'Escala the cultural centres. The selected project will have a campaign to disseminate the research and its results that will be carried out both on social networks and on local radio and television.

The winner or winner will sign a letter of authorization for the dissemination of their work through the different municipal communication channels, whether on paper, digital or institutional social networks.

12 Deadlines

Applications submission deadline is June 27h, 2024.

The application must be entered at the L'Escola Town Council e-register office, electronically through the electronic office of the City Council through the generic application form by following this link: lescala.cat/ca/tramits-i-gestions/instancia-generica/_id:19/, or in person by making an appointment by calling 972774848 (ext 8).

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The jury will meet during the month following the submission period.

Projects submitted beyond the deadline will NOT be accepted, those projects which are not original, or any other projects which do not comply with the bases.

By the mere fact of applying for the scholarship, the researcher understands that he accepts and agrees to the contest rules and its conditions.

13 Handing in the project

The term for the final realization of the chosen project is one year from the date of granting the scholarship, this term may be extended, in accordance to what is determined by the Culture Service.

14 Jury and verdict

The jury will consist of professionals from different fields of science and social sciences, and may request the support by specialists depending on the projects presented.

The jury will take into account the researchers' professionalism, as well as the submitted research project clarity and feasibility.

The jury reserves the right to declare this call void if the presented proposals do not correspond to the project or the researchers' professionalism requirements.

15 Accommodation

L'Escala Town Council will make available to the resident a 90 m2 apartment, located on Casa Forestal d'Empúries ground floor, beside the Gothic church and overlooking the sea.

Description: two double rooms with sheets and blankets, full bathroom, equipped kitchen and living-dining room with television and Wi-Fi.

The rooms must be cared for by the resident himself, who undertakes to leave the facilities in the same good condition in which he found them, under his full responsibility.

The scholarship recipient may be accompanied by their family unit (three people maximum). In the event that the winner is a team, the total number of people may not exceed four.



16 Studios

The winner or winner of the scholarship will have two spaces.

The creation space is on a ground floor, separate and located across the Casa Forestal d'Empúries, named the Carolingian castle.

The Carolingian castle work space consists of a single hall of about 75 m2 with electricity and water.

The scholarship recipient agrees to leave it in the same good condition.

17 Exhibitions

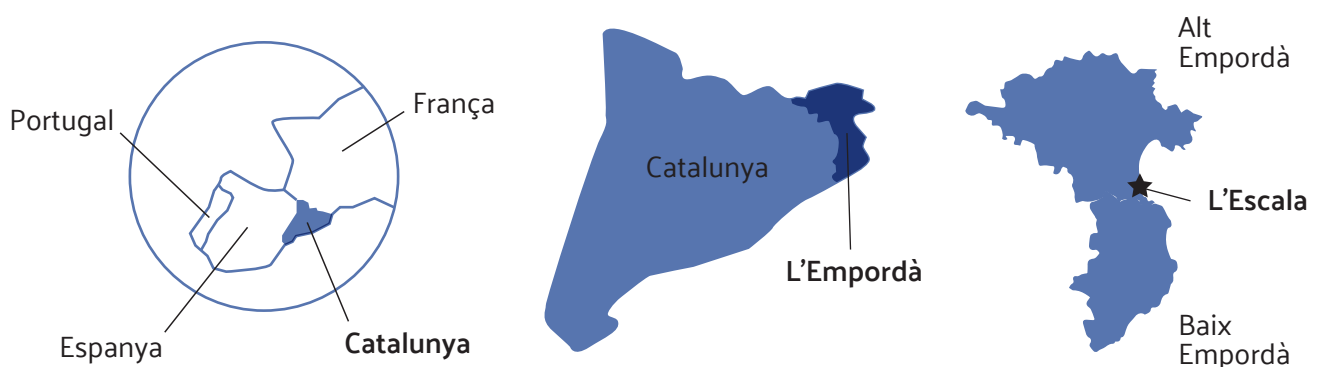
The project's public presentation will take place at one of L'Escala's cultural venues, depending on the characteristics of the project and the venues' calendar.

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18 Geographical location and access

L'Escola, located in the middle of the Costa Brava and equidistant from Barcelona, Ceret and Collioure, is very close to Figueres and Girona, where it connects with the European highways, the AVE railway and the airport.

At the foot of the Mediterranean waters, next to the archaeological complex of Empúries and the beaches of the Costa Brava, stands the old Casa Forestal, in the medieval area of Sant Martí d'Empúries. An ideal space, facing the sea, from which you can contemplate the entire Bay of Roses and understand why the landscapes of the Empordà and its coast have always been sources of inspiration. Within the town of L'Escola and located next to the sea, on the beach, stands the Casa del Gavià, a building built in 1951 and located on top of the rocks on the coast, with ship-shaped stone walls. There we find a viewpoint over the sea in one of the best landscapes in Catalonia.



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Places and activities of interest

- L'Escala Municipal Library
- Empúries Museum Library
- Empúries Greco-Roman ruins
- Aiguamolls de l'Empordà Natural Park
- Anchovy and Salt Museum
- Fish Interpretation Centre
- Alfolí de la Sal (Ancient Salt Storehouse)
- Gala Foundation-Salvador Dalí Theatre Museum (Figueres/Cadaqués/Púbol)
- Museums and Art Galleries in Girona and Barcelona
- Cultural activities in the municipality
- Classical concerts in l'Escala and at Sant Martí d'Empúries Church.

(Places located within L'Escala municipality of can be freely visited at simple request)

20 Accesses

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Barcelona: 140 km

Girona: 45 km

Figueres: 26 km

Perpinyà: 85 km

Ceret: 71 km

Cadaqués: 47 km



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Some further information



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A sunset over the ocean with a dark blue overlay. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a golden glow across the sky and reflecting on the water. The overlay is a dark blue rectangle that covers most of the image, with the text 'Good luck!' in white. The bottom of the image is a solid blue rectangle.

Good luck!

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