



**UNICLIMA GLOBAL NETWORK – CAPES-GLOBAL.EDU PROGRAM
PUBLIC CALL FOR SELECTION OF A POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP IN
BRAZIL OF POSTGRADUATE PROGRAM IN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
PRACTICES(PPGPDS/UFRRJ)**

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The Coordination Office of the Postgraduate Program in Sustainable Development Practices (PPGPDS) at the Federal Rural University of Rio de Janeiro (UFRRJ) hereby announces this call for applications to fill one (1) Postdoctoral Fellowship position in Brazil under the CAPES-Global.edu Program - associated with the UNICLIMA GLOBAL Network (International Cooperation to address Climate Change) - for the benefit of professors, students, and researchers affiliated with PPGPDS/IF/UFRRJ.

1. PURPOSE AND TARGET AUDIENCE

1.1. This Call for Applications aims to select candidate(s) for a post-doctoral fellowship in Brazil for the Postgraduate Program in Practices in Sustainable Development (PPGPDS), within the scope of the UniClima Global Network – CAPES-Global.edu Program, according to the approved results of the Network's fellowship distribution, observing the provisions of CAPES Notice No. 13/2025, and the guidelines of the UniClima Global Network (Link to access the document <https://institucional.ufrj.br/drii/files/2026/08/minuta-geral-de-bolsas-rede-uniclima.pdf>), the current CAPES regulations, the Approval of Scholarship Utilization Proposals regarding the 2027 quotas (Link to access the document <https://institucional.ufrj.br/drii/files/2026/07/homologacao-bolsas-2027-1.pdf>) and applicable institutional regulations.

1.2. The grant covered by this Call for Applications is intended to support internationalization initiatives linked to the activities, goals, and objectives of the "CLIMATE GOVERNANCE, SOCIAL INNOVATION, AND TERRITORIAL DEVELOPMENT" theme of the UniClima Global Network - with which the PPGPDS/UFRRJ is affiliated - thereby contributing to the strengthening of human resource development, academic and scientific cooperation, and internationalization, in accordance with item 1.4 of the UniClima Global Network's Guiding Document.

2. UniClima Global Network and PPGPDS Linking Theme

- 2.1.** The UniClima Global Network is an international cooperation network dedicated to addressing climate change, established under the CAPES-Global.edu Program (CAPES Call for Proposals No. 13/2025) and coordinated by the Federal Rural University of Rio de Janeiro (UFRRJ), with the participation of the following partner institutions: State University of Roraima (UERR), Federal University of Recôncavo da Bahia (UFRB), Federal University of Goiás (UFG), Federal Institute of Education, Science and Technology Goiano (IF Goiano), and Federal University of Southern Frontier (UFFS).
- 2.2.** The Network aims to strengthen the internationalization of Brazilian graduate education through international scientific cooperation, multilevel climate governance, social innovation, and institutional capacity building for the sustainable management of territories, in alignment with the National Graduate Education Plan (PNPG 2025-2029), the National Climate Change Adaptation Plan (PNA), the Climate Plan, the National Policy on Climate Change (PNMC), and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the UN 2030 Agenda.
- 2.3.** To achieve this objective, the Network is organized into three Themes, each bringing together a set of graduate programs from the participating institutions. PPGPDS/UFRRJ is linked to the Theme “Climate Governance, Social Innovation, and Territorial Development,” coordinated by UFRRJ, with the participation of UFG, UFRB, IF Goiano, and UFFS.
- 2.4.** This theme is grounded in the recognition that climate change affects the social, economic, and political dimensions of development, requiring interdisciplinary approaches that integrate science, public policy, and innovative social practices, with a focus on multilevel governance, social participation, the bioeconomy, and climate justice. Its specific internationalization objectives include: consolidating international research and training networks in climate governance and territorial sustainability; developing comparative methodologies and assessments regarding vulnerability, adaptation, and climate justice; strengthening the institutional capacity of the Network's universities in environmental governance, planning, and management; fostering international mobility focused on climate management and social innovation; and expanding the international reach of Brazilian scientific output, thereby contributing to the reduction of regional disparities.
- 2.5.** It is essential that candidates submit activity plans or work proposals clearly aligned with the objectives of the theme “Climate Governance, Social Innovation, and Territorial Development,” explicitly detailing how the proposed activity (research,

capacitation, work mission, etc.) contributes to climate governance, social innovation, and/or sustainable territorial development. The proposal's alignment with the internationalization plan and the Theme's goals constitutes a general selection criterion and will be given special consideration by the Selection Committee when evaluating the quality, relevance, and feasibility of the applications.

3. MODALITY, NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS, DURATION, VALIDITY PERIOD AND IMPLEMENTATION PERIODS

- Scholarship modality: **Post-doctoral fellowship in Brazil.**
- Number of positions/slots: **01 (one) position.**
- Duration and term: **7 (seven) months.**
- Implementation period: **March 2027.**
- Monthly scholarship payment, benefits and amounts applicable to modality:
 - The monthly scholarship amount is R\$5,200.00, in accordance with the official CAPES schedule (Ordinance No. 33, dated February 16, 2023, <https://cad.capes.gov.br/ato-administrativo-detallar?idAtoAdmElastic=10902#anchor>);
 - Benefits: Relocation Allowance, Travel Allowance, and Health Insurance Allowance, which have variable amounts (further information can be found in Annex XIV of the UniClima Network Guidelines Document, <https://institucional.ufrj.br/drii/files/2026/08/minuta-geral-de-bolsas-rede-uniclima.pdf>).

The post-doctoral program with experience abroad aims to attract researchers or professors - Brazilian or foreign, and currently residing abroad - who possess significant academic and scientific experience overseas (such as a full doctoral degree or a post-doctoral stint of at least twelve months) to carry out research or teaching activities, with a term falling within the duration of the Institutional Internationalization Project.

3. ELIGIBLE AUDIENCE AND REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATION

- 3.1. Eligibility for the Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Brazil is open to researchers or professors members residing abroad (Brazilian or foreign) who possess recognized international academic and scientific experience, subject to the requirements set in Annex XI of the UniClima Network's Guiding and current CAPES regulations.
- 3.2. The eligibility requirements and minimum documentation for each category must fully comply with the guidelines set forth in the "Scholarship Implementation Guidance Document" (described in the UniClima Network Guidance) and the respective category-specific Annexes, as well as any subsequent updates thereto.

4. FROM THE REGISTRATION

4.1. Applications must be submitted between **September 4, 2026, and September 28, 2026.**

4.2. Application documents must be sent to the email address **ppgpdscoordenacao@gmail.com no later than 11:59 PM (Brasilia Time) on September 28, 2026** - this deadline is strict.

For registration, all documents listed in **item 5** of this Public Notice must be attached as PDF files, with each document corresponding to a single file.

Note: Submissions containing missing or illegible documents will be disqualified.

4.3. Applications submitted after the deadline or via means other than those established in this Public Notice will not be accepted.

5. Required documentation

The list of documents specified in the subsections below reproduces the minimum documentation established in Annex XI (Post-Doctorate in Brazil) of the UniClima Global Network's Guiding; this does not preclude the requirement for additional documentation set forth in the respective Annexes - at the discretion of PPGPDS/UFRRJ - nor does it preclude subsequent updates to CAPES's regulatory instruments.

The required documentation follows below:

- Curriculum vitae updated on the Lattes Platform, in Portuguese or English.
- Updated ORCID record compatible with scientific output in the CAPES Interdisciplinary area.
- Doctoral Degree or PhD diploma.
- Copy of a document proving residence abroad;
- Copy of CPF;
- Copy of passport valid for at least six months beyond the intended period of stay;
- **Activity Plan** to be carried out in Brazil, containing, at a minimum: introduction, justification, objectives, planned activities, implementation period, expected results, activity schedule, and bibliographic references, explicitly demonstrating its alignment with the UniClima Global Network theme - "Climate governance, social innovation, and territorial development" - in accordance with item 2.4 of this Call for Proposals;

- Information on whether the study plan provides for/complies with national and international ethical standards, where relevant;
- Documentation regarding approval, submission, or exemption from review by the Research Ethics Committee (CEP) and/or the Ethics Committee on Animal Use (CEUA), when applicable to the nature of the proposed activities.

6. FROM APPROVAL OF APPLICATIONS

The validation of registered candidates will take place following the assessment of the documentation required for application to the PPGPDS selection process, in accordance with item 5 of this Public Notice.

The results of the application validation process will be published on the PPGPDS/UFRRJ website (<https://cursos.ufrrj.br/posgraduacao/ppgpds>).

- 6.1.** Candidates have the right to file an appeal; appeals must be sent to the email address ppgpdscoordenacao@gmail.com by 11:59 PM on October 1, 2026, for review by the Selection Committee. No requests for reconsideration of the Committee's decision regarding the appeal will be accepted.

7. FROM THE SELECTION COMMITTEE

- 7.1.** The selection of proposals submitted under this Call for Applications will be conducted by the Selection Committee, to be appointed by the PPGPDS/UFRRJ Executive Board and duly formalized by a higher authority at UFRRJ.
- 7.2.** Members of the Selection Committee must observe the principles of impersonality, morality, transparency, and equal treatment, and must declare the absence of any conflict of interest or grounds for disqualification regarding the registered candidates, in accordance with the provisions of Section 7 of the UniClima Global Network Guidance.

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8. FROM THE SELECTION PROCESS

- 8.1.** The selection process shall observe the principles of transparency, public disclosure, impersonality, and academic and scientific merit, taking into account, among other general criteria set forth in item 4.1 of the UniClima Global Network's Guiding Document:

- 8.1.1. Alignment with the internationalization plan and the goals of the theme "Climate Governance, Social Innovation, and Territorial Development";
- 8.1.2. Quality, relevance, and feasibility of the activity plan or proposal submitted;

- 8.1.3. Expected results and outputs;
- 8.1.4. Potential for the formation, expansion, and strengthening of national and international cooperation networks;
- 8.1.5. Potential for academic, scientific, and institutional impact on PPGPDS/UFRRJ and on the respective UniClima Global Network Theme;
- 8.1.6. Contribution of the proposal to the internationalization process.

8.2. The specific evaluation criteria and their respective weightings, with a maximum score of up to 100 (one hundred) points, distributed accordingly:

Criteria – Post-Doctorate in Brazil	Weight
Alignment of the proposal with the theme “Climate Governance, Social Innovation, and Territorial Development”	30%
Quality, clarity, and feasibility of the Activities Plan to be carried out at PPGPDS/UFRRJ	40%
Academic and scientific qualifications (CV, international output)	10%
Potential for generating international cooperation (partnerships, joint publications)	20%

8.3. In case of a tie, the following will be considered successively:

- 8.3.1. Highest score on the criterion of quality, clarity, and feasibility of the Activities Plan to be carried out at PPGPDS/UFRRJ;
- 8.3.2. Highest score on the criterion of alignment with the theme “Climate Governance, Social Innovation, and Territorial Development”;
- 8.3.3. Highest score on the criterion of Potential for generating international cooperation (partnerships, joint publications);
- 8.3.4. Greater scientific output over the last 5 (five) years related to sustainability and/or climate change;
- 8.3.5. Candidate age, with preference given to older candidates.

9. FROM PRELIMINARY RESULT

The preliminary result will be published on the PPGPDS/UFRRJ website (<https://cursos.ufrrj.br/posgraduacao/ppgps/>), in accordance with the deadlines set forth in the schedule of this Public Notice.

10. APPEALS AND/OR REQUESTS FOR RECONSIDERATION

Candidates have the right to file an appeal following the announcement of the preliminary results; appeals must be sent to the email address **ppgpscoordenacao@gmail.com** by **11:59 PM on October 12, 2026**, for review by the Selection Committee. No request for reconsideration of the Committee's decision regarding the appeal will be accepted.

11. FROM FINAL RESULT AND VALIDATION

The final results will be published on the PPGPDS/UFRRJ website (<https://cursos.ufrrj.br/posgraduacao/ppgps/>), in accordance with the deadlines set forth in the schedule of this Public Notice.

The final result of the selection process must be formally validated by the competent body of PPGPDS/UFRRJ, with subsequent forwarding to the General Coordination of the UniClima Global Network.

12. FROM THE SUMMONING OF A SUBSTITUTE, WHERE APPLICABLE

- 12.1. A reserve list of successful candidates may be established, based on the ranking order obtained in the selection process.
- 12.2. Candidates on the reserve list (substitute) will be notified by PPGPDS/UFRRJ via email, in accordance with their ranking, and such notification will be contingent upon there being sufficient time to implement the scholarship with CAPES, pursuant to item 8.4 of the UniClima Global Network Guidance Document.
- 12.3. The summoned candidate must confirm their interest in accepting the scholarship within two (2) business days of the notification being sent; failure to do so will result in the candidate being deemed to have withdrawn, and the next candidate in the ranking order will be summoned.
- 12.4. Approval and inclusion on the reserve list do not confer a right to the implementation of the scholarship; such implementation is contingent upon the availability of a quota, the withdrawal or disqualification of a candidate ranked higher on the list, adherence to the deadlines established by the UniClima Global Network and CAPES, and the existence of sufficient time to process the scholarship implementation with CAPES.

13. FROM THE SCHEDULE

The selection process will follow the schedule below, prepared in accordance with the deadlines and nomination windows established by CAPES and the General Coordination of the UniClima Global Network for 2027.

Activity	Period/Date
Publication of the Notice	September 4, 2026
Registration period	September 4 to 28, 2026
Announcement of the results of the registration validation	September 29, 2026
Appeals/reconsiderations of the registration	September 30 to October 1, 2026
Publication of registrations after appeal/reconsideration	October 2, 2026
Analysis and evaluation by Selection Committee	October 5 to 8, 2026
Announcement of the Preliminary Result	October 9, 2026
Appeals/Reconsideration Requests for Preliminary Result	October 10 to 12, 2026
Outcomes of appeal/reconsideration	October 13, 2026
Announcement of the Final Result and Approval by PPGPDS/UFRRJ	October 13, 2026
Submission of the ratified final result to the Network's General Coordination Office	Until October 18, 2026
Verification of information by the Network's General Coordination	October 19 to 20, 2026
Implementation of scholarship by CAPES (SCBA/CAPES)	Until October 30, 2026
Start of operations in Brazil	Starting in March 2027

14. FROM IMPLEMENTATION OF SCHOLARSHIP

14.1. Following the official approval of the results, PPGPDS/UFRRJ will forward the information and documentation for each selected candidate - using the specific electronic form (Form for Nominating Scholarship Recipients - UniClima Global Network 2027), to be completed individually for each candidate - to the General Coordination of the UniClima Global Network by **October 18, 2026**.

14.2. The nomination of the scholarship recipient in the Scholarship and Grant Control System (SCBA/CAPES) will be carried out by the General Coordination of the UniClima Global Network, based on information submitted by PPGPGD/UFRRJ, subject to the deadline of **October 30, 2026**.

14.3. Selection in the internal process does not entail the automatic implementation of the scholarship; this is contingent upon the maintenance and availability of the quota allocated to the PPGPDS, compliance with the requirements and deadlines established by the UniClima Global Network and CAPES, and the completion of the grant procedures required by CAPES.

14.4. The **implementation of the scholarship** is scheduled to **begin in March 2027**. Therefore, the selected candidate must submit all documentation required for the scholarship's implementation - including the signing of the respective Grant Agreement, where applicable - within the established deadlines.

15. FROM OBLIGATIONS OF THE SELECTED CANDIDATE AND THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

15.1. The selected scholarship recipient must:

- 15.1.1. Fully comply with the monitoring and accountability obligations established by CAPES, including those set forth in the Grant Agreement;
- 15.1.2. Submit a report on activities carried out, results, and products, in accordance with the UniClima Global Network template (Annex XV of the Guidance Document);
- 15.1.3. Participate, when called upon, in seminars, meetings, and other dissemination activities promoted by UniClima Global Network;
- 15.1.4. Acknowledge the support of CAPES and the CAPES-Global.edu Program in publications and promotional materials resulting from the funded activities.

16. FROM ACCUMULATION OF SCHOLARSHIPS, BENEFITS, PAID ACTIVITIES AND OTHER INCOME

16.1. The accumulation of scholarships, benefits, paid activities, or other income by the selected candidate must comply with current CAPES regulations applicable to the respective category, as well as the rules of the Federal Rural University of Rio de Janeiro and - where applicable - those of the agency or institution responsible for the pre-existing benefit.

16.2. The candidate must disclose, during the selection process and the tenure of the scholarship, the existence of any other scholarships, benefits, or paid activities that could constitute a situation of accumulation, assuming responsibility for the accuracy of the information provided.

16.3. When the accumulation of benefits is not permitted under the regulations applicable to the specific program type, the selected candidate is responsible for arranging the

suspension or cancellation of the incompatible benefit prior to the implementation of the scholarship, whenever required by CAPES.

- 16.4.** Approval in the PPGPPDS/UFRRJ internal selection process does not preclude CAPES from verifying the conditions for holding multiple awards and other requirements necessary for the implementation and maintenance of the scholarship.

17. FROM MONITORING, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND DISSEMINATION OF RESULTS

- 17.1.** The scholarship holder must fully comply with the monitoring and accountability obligations established by CAPES for the respective scholarship category, including those set forth in the Grant Agreement and in the guidelines provided by the CAPES technical team via the Scholarship and Grant Control System (SCBA/CAPES) and/or the CAPES "Linha Direta" system.
- 17.2.** Accountability reporting must be carried out during and after the scholarship term, in accordance with the requirements of CAPES and the UniClima Global Network, through the submission of supporting documents applicable to the respective scholarship modality.

18. DATA PROTECTION

The procedures for processing personal data requested during this selection process will be carried out in accordance with current and applicable Brazilian legislation on the protection of personal data, in this case, Law No. 13.709 of August 14, 2018 (LGPD) and applicable UFRRJ institutional regulations. The data shall be used exclusively for purposes related to the application, selection, implementation, monitoring, evaluation, and financial reporting of the scholarship, and may be shared, when necessary, with CAPES and the General Coordination of the UniClima Global Network.

19. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 19.1.** Submitting the proposal implies knowledge and acceptance by the candidate of the Regulations for scholarships abroad or subsequent normative acts governing the subject matter and conditions of this Call for Proposals, of which they cannot claim ignorance.
- 19.2.** It is the candidate's responsibility to retain the original documents required for application to this selection process; the Program may, at any time, request the presentation of the originals for verification.
- 19.3.** The candidate will be disqualified from the selection process for violating or attempting to violate any of the rules set forth in this Public Notice.

- 19.4.** The approved quota corresponds to the 2027 fiscal year; any remaining amounts resulting from withdrawals, financial balances, or the inability to implement the project may be reallocated by the UniClima Global Network Steering Committee to other Graduate Programs within the Network.
- 19.5.** All candidates will have access to documents regarding the selection process during the appeal period; these documents will be available at the PPGPDS/UFRRJ Secretariat.
- 19.6.** Matters not covered in this Public Notice will be resolved by the PPGPDS/UFRRJ Coordination in conjunction with the General Coordination of the UniClima Global Network.