



RESEARCH AND EDUCATIONAL TRANSFER GRANT FOR AN INTERNSHIP AT OECD (2015)

The Fundació Jaume Bofill, in cooperation with OECD, offers every year a grant addressed to researchers interested in obtaining an internship at the OECD Directorate for Education in Paris. The internship allows working in a benchmark institution in the field of comparative research at an international scale.

The initiative of the Fundació Jaume Bofill is aimed to:

- The improvement and development of the research in education and to carry out in Catalonia prospecting activities regarding the most relevant issues within the educational field at an international scale. For this reason, we offer to the researcher the opportunity of working with an international team that pioneers the field of the research in the educational field.
- The transfer of useful knowledge and experiences from the international context to Catalonia, in particular the transfer or such knowledge and experiences to the discussions and projects held by the Fundació Jaume Bofill.

TERMS AND FUNDING

- Research grant for an internship at the OECD Directorate for Education in Paris.
- The internship, which will begin in January 2015, has a duration of six months that can be extended up to **one year**.
- The grant has been allocated the amount of €27,000 (split in €13,500 per semester, and subject to review in case there are other fixed incomes), plus the round trip ticket.
- The intern will join a project about effectiveness of resource use in schools of the Directorate for Education and will be assigned a research tutor.
- The intern will participate in the publication of OECD official reports and working papers and/or articles in academic journals.
- The intern's performance both in the research and in the development of the project will be followed up by the Fundació Jaume Bofill.
- By accepting the grant, the selected person agrees to stay at the Fundació Jaume Bofill at the beginning and at the end of the period agreed for the grant, and also agrees that, during the stay at the OECD, part of his/her time will have to be invested in the transfer and dissemination of knowledge in

Catalonia: periodical reports, monographic sessions and participation in conferences and seminars held by the Fundació.

REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICANTS

- Applicants must have master studies in educational sciences, sociology, psychology, political sciences, economics or related to innovation.
- Applicants with doctoral studies or having a doctorate will be preferred.
- Proven researching skills, with the view to identifying key authors.
- Experience in applying quantitative and qualitative methods to research.
- Familiarity with work of and on schools, teachers, teaching-capacity to appreciate the practitioner perspective.
- Excellent English, especially reading and speaking; ability to research other language literatures an advantage but not essential. The applicants selected will have to go through an English language test.
- Skills for writing reports of results in a propositional way, focussing on the recommendation of public policies and best practices.
- Sympathy with innovation and finding new ways of teaching and solving problems.
- Awareness of international literature beyond Spain and Spanish, but no need for proven deep knowledge of other systems and literatures.
- Reading texts with viewpoints of policy folks and practitioners in mind, and offering feedback.
- Feedback regarding understandability and stylistic formulation seen from a non-native English speaker perspective.
- Previous experience in comparative research at an international scale will be considered.
- Background and interest in the improvement and development of the research in education and social inequalities in Catalonia will be considered.
- Possible experience with formatting graphics.
- Good team worker.
- Preferably, applicants must be born after 1975.

APPLICANTS AND DEADLINES

The deadline for the submission of applications and documents finishes on **December 5th 2014**. The applications and documents below indicated must be sent to becaocde@fbofill.cat:

- Application form available at www.fbofill.cat/becaocde.

- A CV showing that the applicant complies with the requirements above mentioned in English.
- Cover letter and the reasons for applying in English.

SELECTION PROCEDURE

An interdisciplinary committee composed of researchers and academic experts and the international projects coordinator of the Fundació Jaume Bofill, will carry out a first selection of five applicants. The selected applicants will be notified on December 22nd (afternoon), and they will have to go through an English language examination between January 13th and 15th. The five applicants selected will also have to go through a panel interview, where an OECD committee will issue the final decision (the interview will be held in English).

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