



Call for Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowships at the Institute for Cross-Disciplinary Physics and Complex Systems (SURF@IFISC)

Description

We offer up to 6 fellowships for introduction to academic research at the Institute for Cross-disciplinary Physics and Complex Systems (IFISC) under the supervision of IFISC researchers.

Requirements

The program is designed for candidates in the last year of their degree. However, exceptional candidates that have still one year more to go may be considered.

The candidate must be enrolled in an official university degree (so students that have already completed a degree will not be considered), and, at the moment of the application, they must have completed a minimum of 120 ECTS credits in degrees with a total of 180 or 240 ECTS credits, and of 180 ECTS credits in double degrees with a total of 300 ECTS credits (or more).

This call requires a minimum average mark of 7/10 (or equivalent)

Dedication and financial support

Fellowships have assigned a total research work of 150 hours, equivalent to four weeks (working full time). Each fellowship holder will receive a stipend of 600 Euros for students resident in Mallorca and 900 Euros otherwise. Students living outside Mallorca can apply for a travel grant that in any case cannot exceed 500 Euros.

Eligible dates for the stay

The research stay must start not earlier than June 15th and has to be concluded not later than July 31st (2019).

Applications

The deadline for submitting the application is March 31st (2019). Applications must be filled in on the IFISC web page <https://ifisc.uib-csic.es/en/about-ifisc/join-us/surf/surf-2019/>, attaching the following files:

1. A copy of an official photo ID.
2. A copy of the academic certificate that confirms the student's 2018-2019 course status, with a listing of their approved qualifications, all courses taken, and the number of credits passed relative to the total number of credits of the candidate's degree.
3. *Curriculum vitae*.
4. A candidate statement on his/her personal motivation for the application and the studies and projects that he/she plans to do in the future (one page).

Applicants also have to provide a selection of a maximum of three research projects from the list attached to this call. This selection needs to be ordered and must be done in the corresponding boxes in the web application form.

Every candidate may submit only one application.

Selection process

A SURF selection committee comprising the IFISC director, 3 IFISC researchers and the administration head (acting as the secretary) will review the applications.

The selection process will be based on academic excellence and the evaluation of the candidate's motivation. During the selection process, the candidates may be contacted via Skype for a personal interview.

The committee may recommend that not all fellowships are fulfilled. The final decision will be published on the IFISC website within 15 days after the deadline, and in case before April 17th, and will be communicated personally to the awarded applicants. An announcement will be posted in the Twitter and Facebook IFISC accounts.

Commitments

The grant holder will collaborate with the supervisor(s) assigned to the research project and develop his/her work at IFISC during the fellowship period (for a minimum of 150 hours devoted to research).

He or she will also have to present a brief report (maximum 20 pages), before the grant ends, to his/her supervisor with a description of the work performed, and also a SURF session will be organized in which SURF grantees will present their research carried out during their stay at IFISC. If the work leads to a publication in a scientific journal, the author will acknowledge the SURF@IFISC program.

Failure to comply with these obligations may result in the cancellation of the grant and its full reimbursement this notwithstanding other liabilities that may otherwise arise.