

International Call for Applications to a Postdoctoral Fellowship: Political Theory about Fascism

Postdoctoral fellowship associated with the Research Project: “Crises of Democracy: Critical Theory and Diagnosis of Present Time”

Information Chart:

Political Theory about Fascism	
Process Number FAPESP:	2019/22387-0
Researcher responsible for the project:	Marcos Severino Nobre
Institution	Brazilian Center for Planning and Analysis (CEBRAP)
Location	São Paulo, Brazil
Due date for applications	April 15, 2023
Accepted languages in applications	English, Spanish or Portuguese
E-mail do submit applications	selecaondd@gmail.com

1. Summary

The Law and Democracy Nucleus (NDD) of the **Brazilian Center for Analysis and Planning (CEBRAP)** is opening a call for applications to **one (1) funded postdoctoral fellowship** to work within the scope of the **Thematic Project “Crises of Democracy: Critical Theory and Diagnosis of Present Time”** (FAPESP Process nº 2019/22387-0). The project is hosted in the city of São Paulo, Brazil, under the coordination of Professor Marcos Nobre. The fellowship contributes to the project’s general goal of reconstructing the works of Critical Theory authors, as well as their understanding of democracy in the context of the crises of the first half of the 20th century e, thus contributing to the effort of updating their theses and categories for our present moment, in dialogue with the field of Political Science. For more information on the process, see: [Auxílio à pesquisa 19/22387-0 - Filosofia social, Teoria crítica - BV FAPESP](#).

The candidate's research should focus on the analysis and reconstruction of **theories about fascism**, as well as their development within the framework of modern Political Science. In this sense, the research should not only contribute to reconstructing concepts and theses elaborated in the context of European fascism in the mid-20th century, but also discuss

their relevance, considering the current crises of democracy and its theories. Among the many dimensions of this phenomenon, we are especially (although not exclusively) interested in the relation between **fascism and political violence**.

The following aspects will be evaluated in the 4-page proposal to be submitted with the application (item 3, below):

- a. Reference to the main bibliographical references on fascism, including classic and contemporary scholarship;
- b. Explicit dialogue with the Thematic Project in which this call is embedded (above);
- c. The guiding questions of the research proposal should be political in nature, in the broad sense of the term;
- d. The object of investigation can be theoretical or historical, but *it must consider somehow the crisis of the first decades of the 20th century, with emphasis on the emergence of fascism in Europe*. References to contemporary crises are also welcome;
- e. The proposal must be written in a concise and objective way, and it must include an abstract, clear objectives as well as a work plan that can be executed within a two-year timeframe. It is also important to anticipate the submission of at least one academic paper in a high-impact journal.

2. Requirements

The selected candidate is expected to be assiduous and committed to the activities of the Thematic Project, participating in periodic research and training meetings, seminars, and courses. Among the specific tasks related to this grant, we highlight the production of manuscripts for academic publication, the presentation of the fellow's research in internal and external seminars, preparation of reports, as well as other activities relevant to the project. The scholarship grant is provided by the **São Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP)**, which aims to strengthen the research staff in the state, through the engagement of young scholars in teaching, research, extension, and, eventually, mentoring activities. The application **requirements** are:

- i. To have completed your doctorate no more than 5 years ago (or expect to complete it before the start of the start of the grant);
- ii. An excellent academic curriculum;
- iii. A project related to the theme of this call;
- iv. Full dedication to the project;

- v. To be living in São Paulo by the start of the grant;
- vi. It is the responsibility of foreign candidates, if selected, to verify and obtain legal documentation for entry and permanence in Brazil.

For more information on the candidate's requirements and commitments, please consult FAPESP's general criteria: [Post-doctoral fellowships \(fapesp.br\)](https://www.fapesp.br/post-doctoral-fellowships). It is important to consider, however, that this call is linked to the Thematic Project, and therefore follows specific rules in its selection process. The scholarship grant lasts **two years**, with an expected starting date of **July 1, 2023**, depending on the bureaucratic procedures of FAPESP. The current value of the monthly payment of this grant is **BRL R\$ 8,479.20**. The grant also includes a one-time relocation allowance in the value of one month's payment (for relocations over 50 km), as well as travel fares for the grantee, its spouse, as well as dependents (for relocations over 350 km). Finally, the grant also offers a technical reserve, whose usage rules can be consulted here: [FAPESP Technical Reserve](#).

3. Application

Applications will be open until **April 15, 2023**. Interested parties should send an email entitled "**Post-Doc - political theory about fascism**" to the electronic address **selecaondd@gmail.com**, with the following documents:

- i. Curriculum Vitae (**up to 2 pages**), including main publications;
- ii. Synthetic research proposal (**up to 4 pages**), which must be related to the topic described in this call. It must include title, abstract, description of objectives, work plan with methodology, work plan with expected results, and justification;
- iii. Complete graduate school transcript;
- iv. Full dedication to the project;
- v. Doctorate completion certificate, or letter indicating its completion before the expected start of this grant.

We strongly encourage the application of black, indigenous, and disabled people.

4. Selection Process

The selection process will take place in two stages.

- i) **Elimination**: analysis of the submitted documentation, considering their adequacy to FAPESP's criteria.

ii) **Classification:** interviews with senior and principal researchers of the Thematic Project. The following criteria will be adopted in the selection process: a) experience in the area; b) quality of the project, and adequacy to the aims of this call.

5. Schedule

Applications	Feb 15, 2023 - Apr 15, 2023
First phase results	May 1, 2023
Interview	May 1, 2023 - May 15, 2023
Final result	May 20, 2023
Expected start of the grant	Jul 1, 2023