



# INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY PROGRAM - ENTREPRENEURSHIP SCHOLARSHIP USP INNOVATION AGENCY | UNIVERSITY OF SÃO PAULO

## **About the Program**

The Entrepreneurship Scholarship is a grant program aimed at fostering the development of entrepreneurship and innovation projects by students. The program, organized by the USP Innovation Agency (AUSPIN), has been held annually since 2012; applications take place in the first semester, and the exchange program occurs in the second semester. Through this program, AUSPIN reinforces its commitment to promoting collaborative innovation and entrepreneurship projects between Brazil and other countries.

### **Program target**

The program is open to undergraduate students from all fields of study who are interested in developing entrepreneurship and innovation projects abroad, with the goal of mobilizing knowledge to generate implementable novelties and utilities, such as processes, products, services, new or improved businesses, that contribute to solving latent issues in society and have a positive impact on it.

# Requirements and goals

The selection of students for the program follows an evaluation process based on different criteria, such as the level of development of the project, its degree of innovation/entrepreneurship, its potential for application and contribution to society, the motivation of the student, their participation in entrepreneurship/innovation activities, and the suitability and relevance of the chosen institution to the project proposal. With this, we expect that the selected students will be able to fully develop their





creative skills through this experience and immersion in a new and productive context, returning from the program better equipped to implement their ideas and contribute to society.

#### **Possible destinations**

The selection of the country, destination institution, and foreign advisor is up to the student and institution's authorization. This is intended to stimulate the student's autonomy and research skills, as well as their ability to choose and evaluate the best options for their project. Possible institutions include universities, research institutes, public or private innovation centers, technology-based companies, incubators, startups, government organizations, and any other institutions aligned with the program's objective.

# **Fundings**

The program currently has a total budget of R\$ 1.160.000,00 (Brazilian Reais), distributed as scholarships of R\$ 21.000,00 for Latin American countries, or R\$ 30.000,00 for other destinations<sup>1</sup>. The program supports a minimum of three and a maximum of six months of stay. These scholarships will be intended to cover the costs of transportation, insurance, accommodation and meals.

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# **About USP Innovation Agency (AUSPIN)**

AUSPIN is the Center for Innovation and Technology (NIT) at USP and, together with the Dean of Research and Innovation (PRPI), is co-responsible for managing the innovation policy to promote the use of scientific, technological, and cultural knowledge produced at the university for the sustainable socio-economic development of the State of São Paulo and the country. Our mission is to make innovation and entrepreneurship a constant practice at the University of São Paulo, creating a robust interface between USP and the productive sector through incubators, technology parks, business accelerators, and cooperation projects through initiatives of quality, agility, social responsibility, commitment, and sustainability.

# **About University of São Paulo (USP)**

Established in 1934, USP is a public university funded by the State of São Paulo and affiliated with the Secretary of Economic Development. It is composed of over 180 undergraduate programs, 42 units, 239 graduate programs, and more than 95,000 students. A relentless pursuit of excellence over more than eight decades has allowed USP to join an elite group of world-class institutions recognized by various national and international rankings. As a result, USP is currently responsible for over 20% of Brazilian scientific production.