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#### Article 1 - Object, Requirements and Purpose

- 1.1. This Regulation governs the awarding of fellowships for the conduct of research activities attributed by the UniCamillus University pursuant to Art. 22 of Law No. 240 of 30 December 2010 hereinafter referred to as Law n.240/2010.
- 1.2. Scholarship candidate may be holders of a scientific-professional curriculum suitable for carrying out research activities in accordance with the provisions of the specific Call for the award of the research grant issued by UniCamillus.
- 1.3. Permanent staff working in universities, institutions, public research bodies, ENEA (National Agency for New Technologies, Energy and Sustainable Economic Development), ASI (Italian Space Agency), as well as in institutions whose scientific specialization diploma has been recognized as equivalent to the title of PhD in accordance with Art. 74, para. 4, Law No. 382 of the Presidential Decree of July 11, 1980.
- 1.4. Relatives and kindreds, up to the third cousin once removed, of professors belonging to the Department of Medicine and Surgery, of the Dean, of the General Manager or of members of the Technical Organizing Committee of UniCamillus are also not eligible for research grants.
- 1.5. The general requirements for admission to the selections and the selection procedures for awarding the research fellowship are specifically indicated in the relevant announcements issued by UniCamillus.
- 1.6. The grants are awarded by means of a private law contract. This contract does not, in any way, constitute a subordinate employment relationship and does not give rise to rights regarding access to university roles.

#### Article 2 - Duration and renewal

- 2.1 The grant cannot have a duration of less than a year or more than 3 years and it can be renewed with the same individual, according to the provisions of Art. 22, para. 3 of Law No. 240 of December 30, 2010, subject to the UniCamillus resolution. The fellowship can also be renewed for a period of less than one year and, in any case, not less than six months, exclusively for carrying out research projects whose deadline does not allow the renewal of an annual-term fellowships.
- 2.2 The overall duration of the relationships established pursuant to this article, including any renewals, cannot in any case exceed a total of four years.

#### Article 3 - Amount of the check

- 3.1. The minimum annual gross amount of the Research Grant is determined by a UniCamillus resolution, on the basis of the minimum amount established by the Ministerial Decree.
- 3.2. The allowance is paid in periodical installments.

# Article 4 - Prohibition of accumulation of paid activities, incompatibility, suspension

- 4.1 Grants cannot be combined with scholarships awarded for any reason. However, exception can be made for scholarships granted by national or foreign institutions useful for integrating research activities of the scholarship holder done abroad.
- 4.2. The holders of research grants cannot participate in Bachelor Degree courses, Master Degree courses, PhDs with scholarships or medical specialization in Italy or abroad.
- 4.3. A Public Administration employee, who is holder of the research grant, must be placed on unpaid leave.
- 4.4. The employee of a private company, even if on a part-time contract, cannot benefit from research grants.
- 4.5. The research grant cannot be combined with other research grants, even if awarded by different universities (state, non-state or online,) as well as by the bodies referred to in Art. 22, para. 1 of Law No. 240/2010.

#### **Article 5 - Obligations and rights**

- 5.1. Research fellows must carry out their research activity within the research programs approved by UniCamillus, according to the indications of the Scientific Responsible. Moreover, research fellows must guarantee their physical presence at the University to meet the Research Fellow Responsible at least once a week during the period of validity of the grant, except for periods when the University is closed.
- 5.2. Research fellows are required to submit a monthly written report on the research activity carried out. The report must be accompanied by an assessment of the Scientific Responsible or supervisor. Furthermore, research fellows are required to submit a final report on the activity carried out, together with an evaluation expressed by the managers of the research project.
- 5.3 Grants do not give rise to rights regarding access to university roles.
- 5.4 Research fellows can collaborate in research activities carried out by students for the preparation of their Bachelor thesis. Research fellows can participate in seminars and can be part of the exam commissions as experts in the topic.

#### Article 6 - Control and evaluation of the activity carried out

- 6.1. UniCamillus expresses a quarterly evaluation on the activity carried out by the grant holder pursuant to Art. 5.
- 6.2. In the event of a negative assessment, UniCamillus may request termination of the contract.

# Article 7 - Forfeiture and termination of the relationship

- 7.1. In accordance with the provisions of the relevant call, research fellows, who do not start their activity within 10 days, lose the right to the allowance.
- 7.2. Deferrals to the start date of the research activity can be justified due to properly certified health reasons, such as maternity leave and duly substantiated cases of force majeure.
- 7.3. The contract of research fellow who, after having started the planned research activity, does not continue it regularly without justified reason, or who is responsible for serious and repeated failures and breaches, will be terminated on the motivated proposal of the scientific manager/s approved by the competent bodies of UniCamillus.
- 7.4. The allowance is individual. Grant holders can carry out self-employment activities, upon written communication to UniCamillus. Self-employment activities must be declared by UniCamillus compatible with the exercise of research activities, must not involve conflicts of interest with the specific research activity carried out by the grant holder, and must not prejudice the University, in relation to the activities carried out.
- 7.5. The holders of grants who intend to or continue to carry out a work activity involving services rendered free of charge in voluntary associations or cooperatives or non-profit cultural institutions or non-profit social welfare institutions, can carry out it, without prejudice to while the full performance of its research tasks remains.
- 7.6. Research fellowships' activities are suspended in cases of compulsory maternity leave, parental leave and sick leave and are extended according to current regulations. An overall period of justified absence of less than thirty days in a year does not constitute suspension.
- 7.7 The research activity and the grant are suspended for a sick leave of more than 30 days in a year, without prejudice to the regular expiry of the contract. The research fellow must promptly communicate the state of illness to UniCamillus and the Scientific Responsible, attaching the medical certificate. The rules are laid down in Art. 1, para. 788 of Law No. 296/2006, relating to the payment of sickness allowance to be paid by INPS, at the time slots of availability and control of the state of illness.

# Article 8 - Tax, social security and insurance treatment

8.1. The provisions of Art. 4 of Law No. 476 of August 13, 1984 and subsequent amendments and additions, as well as, in social security matters, those referred to in Art. 2, para. 26 and following of

Law No. 335 of August 8, 1995 and subsequent amendments; on the subject of compulsory maternity leave, the provisions of the Decree of the Minister of Labor and Social Security of July 12, 2007; and on sick leave, Art. 1, para. 788, of Law No. 296 and subsequent amendments.

8.2. In the period of compulsory maternity leave, the allowance paid by INPS, pursuant to Art. 5 of the Ministerial Decree of July 12, 2007 is integrated by the UniCamillus University up to the full amount of the research grant.

# **Art. 9 - Final provisions**

9.1. For legal and interpretative purposes, the Regulations approved by the Organizing Technical Committee on March 25, 2021, deposited and available at the offices of the Didactic Secretariat, are valid, drawn up in Italian, of which it is possible to request a certified copy. For anything not provided for in this document, please refer to the Statute and the Regulations governing the functioning of the University's activities.