



-2019 Rules & REGULATIONS –

L'Oréal-UNESCO MAGHREB FELLOWSHIPS FOR WOMEN IN SCIENCE

1. Introduction

The L'Oréal-UNESCO Maghreb Fellowships *For Women in Science* aim at promoting the participation of young women in science. This program determines and rewards young talented female researchers in the Life Sciences (biology, biochemistry, genetics, physiology, biotechnology, ecology, biochemistry) and the Physical Sciences (physics, chemistry, mathematics, engineering, information sciences, earth and universe sciences).

Founded in 2007, the L'Oréal-UNESCO Maghreb Fellowships aim to distinguish young women researchers for the quality of their works and to encourage them to pursue a brilliant career in science.

The L'Oréal-UNESCO Maghreb Fellowships *For Women in Science* 2019 are set to be awarded to 5 young women scientists from 4 different countries of the Maghreb: Algeria, Libya, Morocco, and Tunisia.

The Maghreb Fellowships Programme is established within the framework of a partnership between the Fondation L'Oréal and UNESCO.

2. Conditions of Awarding

Eligible for the fellowship applicants who are:

- Applying for a PhD or post-doctoral studies.
- Not working permanently in 2019.
- Working on a PhD or having obtained it and willing to pursue research in one of the fields cited in paragraph 1.
- Working in one of the 4 countries listed in paragraph 1.
- Max 35 year old at the closing date of the call for applications (31 July 2019).

3. Selection Criteria

As established by the regional jury, the selection criteria are the following:

- The excellence of the applicant's academic portfolio (including number, quality and impact of their publications, conference presentations, patents ...).
- The scientific quality of the research project.
- The innovative and promising character of the research work (relevant, original, unique ...) and its implementation in science.
- The socio-economic impact of the project/ research.
- The candidate's professional experience



Fellowships must be devoted exclusively to the promotion and development of research and should in no way substitute the responsibilities of laboratory towards its researchers (Displacement, work tools, equipment, and participation in congress...). They are neither renewable nor combined with other research grants.

4. Application

Applications can only be submitted through the online platform: www.fwis.fr by the applicants themselves.

An application is considered complete when it consists of all the following documents, in English or in French:

- A detailed resume (Curriculum Vitae) filled directly in the website www.fwis.fr.
- Copies of diplomas obtained starting from the BS.
- A copy of an official transcript of undergraduate and graduate studies.
- A detailed abstract / description of the research project of maximum 2 pages.
- Other research projects in progress.
- A suggested project of the grant's use, including a draft budget.
- The list of publications and patents.
- Recommendation letters from supervisor(s) and/or director of the scientific institute or school where the thesis has been carried out.
- Letter of acceptance from the host laboratory for post-doctoral studies.

Incomplete applications or those received after the deadline, as well as applications that do not fulfill the above conditions will not be evaluated.

5. Selection

Applicants will be shortlisted by an independent jury.

Results will be communicated by telephone and/or email to the selected applicants at the end of the jury's deliberations. The information must remain confidential until the Maghreb Fellowships awarding ceremony. Decisions made by the jury cannot be contested or subjected to explanation or justification.

6. Fellows' Engagement

The Fellows will engage to:

- Continue their research work for which the L'Oréal-UNESCO Maghreb Fellowship *For Women in and Science* has been obtained
- Write a report on the research, subject of the fellowship, to be given to L'Oréal Maroc and to UNESCO in the following 2 years after the awarding of the fellowship (optional).
- Write a report on the use of the grant, to be submitted to L'Oréal Maroc and UNESCO in the 2 years following the award of the fellowship (optional).
- Take an active part in L'Oréal's and/or UNESCO's dedicated programmes related to gender and sciences, aimed at promoting women's social role and recognition in



society in general, and women's involvement in scientific career and trainings in particular.

- Attend the Maghreb Fellowships awarding ceremony to be held in Morocco, in November 2019.
- Participation in the ceremony is required. The cost of traveling and accommodation* for Fellows non-residents in Morocco will be provided by L'Oréal Maroc.

(* According to the general terms of transport and accommodation applicable to the L'Oréal Group)

7. Communication

For communication purposes Fellows are requested to refer to the fellowship as follows:

« L'Oréal-UNESCO Maghreb Fellowships *For Women in Science* »

The Fellows agree to be photographed, filmed and interviewed for communication and non-commercial purposes related to the Maghreb Programme *For Women in Science*. These photos, videos and texts can be used for written and audiovisual publications, and circulated by and among national and international media.

8. Preliminary schedule

- Call for applications: from April 24 to July 31 2019.
- Deadline for Applications: July 31 2019.
- Evaluation of the applications and selection: August 1st to September 30.
- Awards ceremony: November 2019.

9. Regulation

The participation in the call for applications for the L'Oréal-UNESCO Maghreb Fellowships *For Women in Science* is worth acceptance of this regulation.