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**PHD SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

2025 Call – ULB and ARES-CCD SCHOLARSHIPS - 2025-2026

**SECTION 1 – General application information**

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| I am applying for:  A scholarship to **begin** a PhD thesis  A scholarship for a PhD thesis **in progress**  A scholarship for the **finalisation** of a PhD thesis (last stay and defence in the academic year) |

*This form only concerns applications for PhD scholarships*

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| SCHOLARSHIP CANDIDATE | |
| Last name: | First name: |
| Gender:  Female  Male  I identify as: | |
| Date of birth: | Nationality(ies): |
| E-mail: | Telephone: |
| Country of residence: | Place of birth : |
| Current address: |  |
| Address of legal domicile: | |
| I am a permanent resident of an ARES or ULB partner country[[1]](#footnote-1): YES NO | |
| Home institution: | |
| Thesis title: | |
| Thesis start date: | |
| If you are already enrolled, date of enrolment for the PhD at ULB: | |
| If you are already enrolled, date of enrolment for the PhD at the home university: | |
| Estimated PhD defence date:  Only for **the finalisation** of a PhD thesis:  I commit to defend my thesis at the end of my finalisation grant | |
| Research field code: | |
| General subject area of the thesis:  Exact sciences  Health/Life sciences  Human sciences | |
| Position within the home university:  Student  PhD student  Assistant  Other: | |
| Type of scholarship requested: | |

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| ULB SUPERVISOR |
| Faculty: |
| Last name and first name: |
| E-mail: |
| (Research) centre in charge of reception: |

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| SUPERVISOR AT THE HOME INSTITUTION |
| Country: |
| University: |
| Faculty: |
| Last name and first name: |
| E-mail: |

**SECTION 2 – Scholarship funding**

*The amounts of funding requested in the application are definitive. Additional funding/months cannot be requested at a later date.*

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| 2.A. STAY LENGTH AND BUDGET |
| What is the number of months requested for the scholarship in Belgium for the academic year for which you are requesting the scholarship? |
| What are the exact start and end dates of the planned stay in Belgium for the academic year for which you are requesting the scholarship? From       to |
| What is the monthly amount requested for research costs during the stay in Belgium[[2]](#footnote-2)?      € per month |

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| **2.B. PHD THESIS FUNDING** |
| If you are applying for a local grant[[3]](#footnote-3), what is the number of months requested for the academic year for which you are requesting the grant? |
| What are the exact start and end dates of the local grant? From       to |

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| **2.C. ADDITIONAL FUNDING** |
| Have you previously received funding from ARES[[4]](#footnote-4) in the context of a PhD scholarship or a grant for a specialised master's or internship?  Yes  No  If yes, what kind and for which years? |
| Have you ever received a grant from another body to fund your thesis?  Yes  No  If yes, from what body(ies) and for which year(s)? |
| Are you receiving any other grant[[5]](#footnote-5), salary or other source of support for the months for which you are applying for a grant from ULB (in Belgium) under this call?  Yes  No  If yes, for what monthly amount, from what body(ies), and for what period(s) specifically? |
| Have you applied for a grant from any other bodies for the periods for which you are applying for a grant under this call[[6]](#footnote-6)?  Yes  No  If yes, from what body(ies), and when will you receive a reply? |

**SECTION 3 – General information about the PhD research**

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| The thesis is being carried out under:  joint supervision[[7]](#footnote-7)  joint direction |
| If the thesis is being carried out (thesis in progress) or will be carried out (new thesis) under joint direction, why is joint supervision not possible? |
| Is your research connected with another ARES project[[8]](#footnote-8)?  Yes  No  If yes, can you describe this connection? |
| Does the supervisor at ULB currently receive any form(s) of ARES funding for development cooperation?  Yes  No  If yes, could you specify what they are and their funding period? |
| What is the collaboration between the supervisors (joint projects in progress, assignments, etc.)? |
| Can you describe the research environment (at the home university and at ULB) as well as its suitability for the proposed research? |
| Once you have completed your thesis, what are your prospects for integration into your home institution? |

**SECTION 4 – PhD research project**

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| **4.A. TITLE OF THESIS, AIMS OF THE RESEARCH AND SPECIFIC PROBLEM FACED**  **(maximum of one page – any text not fitting onto this page will not be taken into account)** |

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| **4.B. GENERAL CONTEXT AND LATEST DEVELOPMENTS**  **(maximum of one page – any text not fitting onto this page will not be taken into account)** |

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| **4.C. PROPOSED SCIENTIFIC APPROACH TO HELP SOLVE SAID PROBLEM**  **(maximum of one page – any text not fitting onto this page will not be taken into account)** |

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| **4.D. IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE**   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Academic year** | **Start and end dates** | **Tasks** | **Location (ULB or home university)** | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |

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| **4.E. LIST OF BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**  **(maximum of one page – any text not fitting onto this page will not be taken into account)** |

**Regarding a thesis finalisation request:**

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| **4.F. SPECIFIC REASONS FOR EXTENDING THE RESEARCH SCHEDULE**  **(maximum of one page – any text not fitting onto this page will not be taken into account)** |

1. The list of countries can be found in an appendix to the call regulations: <https://www.ulb.be/medias/fichier/regulations-call-scholarships-ares-ulb-25-26_1730811522317-pdf?INLINE=FALSE> [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Maximum of €400 per month. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. The local grant is €350/month. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. Prior funding is an advantage in the application process. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. Holding a grant or receiving remuneration (of any kind) from one's home institution is considered an advantage in the application process. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
6. If this other grant is awarded, the International Office must be notified as soon as possible of this award. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
7. Link to the information on compulsory joint supervision at ULB: [Jointly supervised PhD (Cotutelle) - ULB](https://www.ulb.be/en/phd/joint-phd-programme) [↑](#footnote-ref-7)
8. A connection with a project in progress is an advantage in the application process. [↑](#footnote-ref-8)