

MobiDoc International Doctoral Mobility Grant Programme

REGULATIONS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT ITS MEETING OF 24 APRIL 2026

**Having regard to the French Education Code, in particular Article L821-1;
Having regard to Resolution No. 2025-14 delegating powers from the Board of Directors to the President of the University, in particular Section III)2;
Having regard to Resolution No. 2025-25 of the Board of Directors dated 17 March 2025 approving the amendment of the regulations governing the MobiDoc Grant Programme;**

1. Purpose of the Call

The MobiDoc Grant Programme (International Doctoral Mobility), established by the University, supports the international mobility of doctoral candidates enrolled at the institution in the form of outgoing mobility grants for research stays at a host institution or organisation abroad. Mobility to French overseas departments, regions and collectivities is also eligible.

Such research stays abroad must aim to enhance scientific knowledge, develop international research networks, and advance the doctoral research project.

2. Eligibility Criteria

- Applicants must be enrolled in a doctoral programme at Université Lumière Lyon 2 at the time of application, between their first and fifth year of enrolment.
- The thesis supervisor and the director of the host research unit must have issued a favourable opinion regarding the proposed mobility.
- Doctoral candidates must be hosted by a foreign or French overseas institution, including but not limited to: foreign universities, research centres (such as UMIFRE and French research institutes abroad), cultural institutions (museums, foundations, cultural institutes), and international organisations (e.g. WHO, UNESCO, UNICEF, UN).
- The requested funding must concern a mobility project with a duration of between one (1) and six (6) months.
- Applications must relate to future mobility projects. No retrospective applications shall be accepted.
- Mobility may not take place in countries classified as high-risk according to the travel advisories issued by the French Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs.
- The application file must be complete at the time of submission.

3. Selection Criteria

Criterion 1 - Academic and/or Scientific Excellence of the Applicant

- Curriculum vitae and, where applicable, list of academic work and publications
- Substantiated opinion provided by the thesis supervisor

- Opinion of the director of the research unit

Criterion 2 - Scientific Relevance of the Mobility Project

- Quality of the mobility project (feasibility and relevance will be assessed)
- Quality of the partnership with the host institution

Additional Considerations

Priority will be given to:

- Doctoral candidates enrolled between the first and fourth year
- International joint supervision arrangements (cotutelle or co-supervision)
- First-time applicants
- Mobility projects involving field research (archives, data collection, interviews, etc.)
- Mobility to partner universities within the BAUHAUS4EU European Alliance

4. Composition of the Application File

- Completed application form
- Detailed curriculum vitae
- Letter of support from the thesis supervisor
- Letter of support from the host supervisor at the receiving institution
- Letter of invitation from the host institution specifying the mobility period
- Signed statement of commitment from the doctoral candidate

5. Selection Procedure

Each Doctoral School Director shall propose a ranked list of applications within their respective Doctoral School.

Applications shall be examined by an internal selection committee, chaired by the Vice-President for Research and the Vice-President for International Relations.

The selection committee shall propose the list of successful applicants. The deliberations shall be recorded in official minutes. Individual funding decisions shall be formally adopted by the President of the University under delegation from the Board of Directors.

Note: The selection committee reserves the right to adjust the duration of the mobility period awarded, in particular in light of budgetary constraints.

6. Timeline

Two calls for applications shall be organised each year. The detailed schedule shall be defined annually upon publication of the call.

The call for applications shall be disseminated to doctoral candidates, thesis supervisors, research units, and Doctoral Schools. It shall be published on the University website and via the DREDline platform.

7. Duration

The MobiDoc Grant Programme provides funding for mobility projects with a duration of one (1) to six (6) months.

8. Cumulation Rules

MobiDoc funding may be combined with other sources of funding.

9. Amount and Award Conditions

In accordance with the rules of the Erasmus+ Programme, a monthly mobility grant shall be awarded based on the destination country and the duration of the stay. This shall be supplemented by a travel allowance, calculated according to the distance between Lyon and the destination country.

An inclusion top-up may also be granted to applicants with disabilities or long-term health conditions.

In compliance with Erasmus+ funding rules, the amounts of mobility grants by destination or group of destinations shall be determined by a resolution of the Board of Directors, adopted following consultation of the International Relations Committee.

The resolution setting the grant amounts shall be published on the webpage dedicated to the MobiDoc Grant Programme <https://www.univ-lyon2.fr/recherche/actualites/appel-a-candidature-mobidoc> and in the regulatory acts section of the University's institutional website.

10. Payment

The grant shall be paid in two instalments:

- A first payment of 80% of the total grant amount shall be made upon receipt by the DRED of proof of arrival at the host institution (certificate of attendance to be completed).
- A second payment of 20% of the total grant amount shall be made after completion of the mobility period, upon submission of the final certificate and completion of the participant report.

11. Acceptance of the Regulations

Submission of an application shall constitute full acceptance of these regulations.

These amended regulations shall enter into force on the date of publication of the relevant resolution of the Board of Directors and shall remain applicable for the 2026/2027 academic year.

From the 2027/2028 academic year onwards, the MobiDoc Grant Programme may be renewed annually by decision of the President of the University.