

VHIR MASTER'S SCHOLARSHIPS CALL 2018-2019

This call will offer 2 scholarships to the top students of 2018-2019 class. The beneficiaries will be exempted from paying tuition fees (up to 3180€) for the Master in Translational Biomedical Research. Academic and administrative taxes are not included.

Candidates should fulfill the following **eligibility criteria** at the time of the call deadline:

- To be enrolled to the program full-time (60 ECTS).
- Have obtained their Graduate Degree after January 1, 2016.
- Have a grade point average (GPA) equal to or greater than 7,5.
- Candidates who have already been granted with similar scholarships (MEC/AGAUR fellowships, etc.) are not eligible.

For this year, we count with two different scholarship modalities:



ROCHE SCHOLARSHIP

Description of the aid: 1 scholarship to attend the Master in Translational Biomedical Research.

Selection process: Candidates will be selected according to their GPA. The scholarship will be offered to the student with the best grade.

Acceptance of the grant: Selected applicant must accept the scholarship **before September 21st 2018.**

How to apply: All the students enrolled to the Master that meet the requirements mentioned above will be included automatically in the call. It does not require an application from the student, the grades will be extracted from the transcript submitted during the admission process.

FERRER SCHOLARSHIP

Description of the aid: 1 scholarship to attend the Master in Translational Biomedical Research and join the [Diabetes and Metabolism Research Group](#) for a 6-months internship in order to perform the Master's Degree Final Project.

Research project: Diabetic retinopathy (DR) is the most frequent cause of new cases of blindness among adults aged 20–74 years. DR prevalence is increasing and affecting millions of patients worldwide. No specific treatment is currently available to prevent DR or to slow its evolution. Diabetes and Metabolism lab is reporting encouraging, cutting-edge, results on new treatments for DR. The selected applicant will have the opportunity to gain knowledge and experimental skills collaborating in the research of a brand new drug potentially effective in DR.

Selection process:

Candidates will be evaluated on the basis of the following criteria and standards:

- Adequacy of the candidate for the research project (research experience, motivation and scientific interest)
- Academic transcript and records (projects, publications, conferences and others).

The evaluation will be organized in three steps:

- **Pre-selection:** The pre-selection will be based on the candidate's CV, cover letter and references.
- **Oral interviews:** The pre-selected candidates will participate in a personal interview with the group.
- **Notification of results to candidate:** The selected student will be notified and will have two weeks to accept the grant. The internship will start no later than January 1st, 2019.

How to apply: Interested candidates must **send an e-mail to master@vhir.org by September 30th with the subject "Ferrer Scholarship"** and the following documents attached: CV, cover letter, academic transcripts and reference letters (optional).

For both aids, if any of the selected students renounce to the scholarship, it will be allocated to the next candidate on the waiting list. The failure to issue the master certificate for academic reasons, attendance or abandonment of the candidate, will imply that the recipient has to repay the aid.