

Application Form Sandwich PhD Program University of Groningen (UG) – Universidad de Antioquia (UdeA)

Application package

The application package to the UG-UdeA Sandwich PhD position consists of this Application Form and the supporting documents listed in section 4 of this document. Templates are available for these documents, and may be requested at the <u>International Affairs Office at UdeA</u> or to the <u>UG Representative in Mexico</u>. Nevertheless, the authorities responsible for admission at both institutions may request additional information.

The scientific excellence and (financial) feasibility of the Sandwich PhD project will be assessed by the relevant authorities at each institution (UG: Graduate Schools) based on the application package.

Qualified applicants may be "conditionally admitted" by UG or considered a "possible candidate" by UdeA. Admission to the PhD degree program however will only become final upon fulfilling the criteria for formal enrolment at both institutions (including financial criteria).

Before proceeding with their application, all candidates are obliged to contact the UG Representative Office in Mexico and the International Affairs Office at UdeA. We also require that candidates thoroughly inform themselves of the procedures for application and enrollment beforehand, in order to ensure that they meet all of the conditions to proceed with the application process. Additional information can be found at <u>https://is.gd/UNorPX</u> and in the <u>Agreement for Double Degree between UG and UdeA</u>

1. Personal details

a) Applicant information

Last name and initials: First name: Gender (optional): Nationality/ies: Birth date & place: E-mail:

b) Applicant education (highest obtained)

□ MD (double click appropriate box & check)

c) UdeA supervisor details & affiliation

Name: Position: Research Group (if applicable): ORCID and/or Research Gate: Faculty/Institute/Corporation/School: E-mail:

d) UG supervisor & affiliation

- e) Name:
- f) Position:
- g) Research Group (if applicable):
- h) ORCID and/or Research Gate:
- i) Faculty/Institute:
- j) E-mail:

k) UdeA admission status doctoral program

I have enrolled/will enroll in a PhD program at UdeA:
Yes
No. If yes:
Name program:
Enrolment status
Admitted
Application submitted
Application pending

(Projected) enrolment date:

I) UG admission status doctoral program

Graduate School: Enrolment status
Admitted
Application submitted
Application pending (Projected) enrolment date:

2. Sandwich PhD structure

Project title: Projected start date: Projected end date:

In general, it takes about 48 months to complete the UdeA-UG Double Degree *research* to meet the requirements at both institutions. PhD research may take place in alternating periods at UdeA and UG, in accordance with the requirements of the research project as agreed upon between the candidate and supervisors in the "Agreement For The Enrolment Of Individual Double Degree Doctoral Candidates Between The University Of Antioquia (Colombia) And The University Of Groningen (The Netherlands)"

The indicative timetable for this PhD project is:

- From MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY: UNIVERSITY
- From MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY: UNIVERSITY

(Add rows if necessary)

3. Funding

One of the prerequisites for admission to the Sandwich PhD program is the availability of funding, most importantly, securing a monthly subsistence allowance in accordance with local standards. Hence, <u>co-funding is an indispensable requirement</u>.

For students with UdeA as a home university:

Co-funding comes in the form of a Partial Grant from external funding sources (e.g. Minciencias, Sapiencia, Becas Doctorales UdeA) that cover the duration of their stay. The UG will ensure that the candidate is also awarded with the UG Top-Up (candidates will qualify for the Top-Up once they are admitted). More information about the Top-Up can be found here:

- <u>https://www.groningenbiomed.com/faqs/top-up</u> (for biomedical students)
- <u>www.rug.nl/UNAM</u> (for students in other areas)

For students with UG as home university:

Co-funding comes from the external funding sources originally aimed at a full 4-year trajectory in Groningen. (e.g. Minciencias, Colfuturo) or their salary as PhD employees. The funding agency and/or UG may adjust the monthly allowance to the income requirements in Colombia. UdeA will procure _____

Funding source 1

Status: \Box Awarded \Box Application submitted \Box Application pending Funding source:

Monthly allowance (in local currency): Total number of months: Start date scholarship: End date scholarship: In case an application is submitted/pending mention, if applicable, any application deadline and the date of the publication of results:

Funding source 2

Status: Awarded Application submitted Application pending
Funding source:
Monthly allowance (in local currency):
Total number of months:
Start date scholarship:
End date scholarship:
In case an application is submitted/pending mention, if applicable, any application deadline and the date of the publication of results:

Funding source 3

Status: Awarded Application submitted Application pending
Funding source:
Monthly allowance (in local currency):
Total number of months:
Start date scholarship:
End date scholarship:
In case an application is submitted/pending mention, if applicable, any application deadline and the date of the publication of results:

(Add if necessary)

4. Other Documentation

As part of this application, I confirm that I will submit as separate documents and *in pdf* (check boxes):

- □ Sandwich PhD research proposal (template available)
- □ Support letter by the UdeA and UG main supervisors (template available)
- □ Financial Statement (template available)
- □ Curriculum Vitae (incl. educational/professional history, publications & prizes/awards)
- \Box Proof of English proficiency¹
- □ Copy of diploma (highest degree obtained)

5. Signature

I, the Sandwich PhD applicant, hereby declare that I have completed this form faithfully and truthfully, and that my PhD supervisors at UdeA and UG have been informed of the contents of this Application Form and all of its supporting documents, and that they are in agreement with it.

Full name: Place & Date: Electronic signature:

¹ Exemptions possible. Get in touch with the UG Representative Office in Mexico, to learn about UG-Graduate School-specific language requirements and other questions related to your application.