

## General Principles

Giordano Fellows should follow closely the instructions provided by ESP.

The ESP GF bursary provides financial support for young pathologists and residents in the final year of their specialisation to gain in-depth training in specialised areas of pathology. The scientific programme and the educational activities carried out under ESP GF grants should be ethically sound and of the highest quality and fall within the ESP scientific scope.

For each edition of the GF, detailed information on the deadline for applying is communicated to ESP members via established ESP means of communication (i.e., mass mailing, social media posts, website announcements, ESP Newsletter). As a general rule, the deadline for applications is in mid-Summer for training during the next year (Example: For an application submitted by July 2023, the GF programme at the ESP-ATC should be scheduled for 2024). The announcement of the outcome of the evaluation of application is done after 6 to 8 weeks from the deadline.

GF awardees are expected to develop a personalised scientific and educational programme in close collaboration with the host ESP-ATC. Whilst there will be room for flexibility in planning and conducting the GF activities, the training programme should be within the subject the Fellowship was awarded.

The ESP will finance each Giordano Fellow up to a maximum of € 1500 per month, for a maximum of three months. ESP reserves the right to decide the amount of funding individually, taking into consideration the country of origin of the successful applicant, the location of the ESP-ATC (i.e. the cost of living\*\*) and the individual's regular income. Each year the ESP announces how many GF applications might be funded for the forthcoming year.

Former Giordano Fellows are not eligible to re-apply for new GF programme.

\*\* If the EAT centre can provide accommodation at a reasonable cost in a student home or guest room, and/or there is an opportunity to pay a reasonable price for meals in the host institution's dining areas, please make it clear in the application.

It is possible to complete a stay at one of the ESP-ATCs also without requesting financial support from ESP (i.e. without being awarded the GF bursary). In this case, the same eligibility rules apply for applicants, but there is no need to send an income certificate.

## Submission of a Progress Report

One year after completion of the fellowship, the Giordano Fellow is required to submit a progress report to the ESP HQ, [admin@esp-pathology.org](mailto:admin@esp-pathology.org). It is the responsibility of the Giordano Fellow to write the narrative, describing his/her progress, how gained knowledge has been used and disseminated to colleagues of the home institution (or multiple institutions of the home country of the fellow).