

**CAPES Global - Institutional Internationalization Program
Interregional Alliance Network for Internationalization (AII)
UFSM – UEPB – UFT – IFMT – UnB**

ANNEX 2 –SINGLE CALL FOR APPLICATIONS No. 001/2026 OF AUGUST 27, 2026

THEME 2 – Energy Transition, Materials, and Clean Technologies

SPECIFIC CALL: VISITING PROFESSOR IN BRAZIL (PVB)

1. VACANCIES AND BENEFITS

1.1. Research topic, Graduate Program (PPG) responsible for selection, number of vacancies, and duration

Research Topic	Responsible PPG	Vacancies	Duration
Civil Construction Materials	Civil and environmental Engineering / UFSM	1	1 month
Energy Transition	Chemical Engineering / UFSM	1	1 month
Energy Processing	Electrical Engineering / UFSM	1	1 month

1.2. The awarded scholarships include the payment of an installation allowance, travel allowance, health insurance, and a half-monthly stipend (for stays up to 15 days) or full monthly stipend (for stays over 15 days), in accordance with the values established in CAPES Ordinance No. 1/2020. Additional location-specific allowances, when applicable, are defined by CAPES Ordinance No. 110/2025.

1.3. Duration: Minimum of 15 days and up to 12 months (the Brazilian Higher Education Institution [HEI] will indicate up to 3 stay periods for the PVB's arrival in Brazil at the time of scholarship nomination in the CAPES system). For nominations of up to 15 days, a half stipend will be paid. For stays of up to 12 months, the period may be divided into up to three stays in the country over one year. If the stay is split, the scholarship holder will be entitled to only one travel and installation allowance. Monthly stipends will be paid strictly during periods of effective stay in Brazil.

2. REQUIREMENTS

2.1. The candidate must be a researcher or faculty member holding a doctoral degree and meet the following requirements, pursuant to the rules of the CAPES-Global.edu Program:

- 2.1.1. Hold a doctoral degree or equivalent;
- 2.1.2. Reside abroad;
- 2.1.3. Possess recognized competence as a researcher in their field of expertise;
- 2.1.4. Have relevant academic production, particularly over the last five years.

3. APPLICATION PROCESS

3.1. Applications must be submitted via email to the address specified in the table below for each research topic:

Research Topic	Responsible PPG	Application Email Address
Civil Construction Materials	Civil and environmental Engineering / UFSM	ppgecam@ufsm.br
Energy Transition	Chemical Engineering / UFSM	flavio.mayer@ufsm.br
Energy Processing	Electrical Engineering / UFSM	ppgee@ufsm.br

3.2. The application will be finalized only upon submission of the following **mandatory** documents (all in PDF format):

- 3.2.1. Copy of Passport;
- 3.2.2. Updated Curriculum Vitae, detailing scientific output from the last five years;
- 3.2.3. Updated proof of residence abroad;
- 3.2.4. Dated and signed statement on official letterhead of the home institution, specifying the start and end period (year/month) of activities to be conducted in Brazil;
- 3.2.5. Expression of interest and concise activity plan to be carried out in the host PPG under the supervision of a supervisor in Brazil, who must be a coordinator or member of a Graduate Program participating in Theme 2 (Energy Transition, Materials, and Clean Technologies of the CAPES-Global/UFSM Program – Interregional Alliance Network for Internationalization).

3.3. Submitting an application implies full knowledge and acceptance of current CAPES regulations and the terms of this Call for Applications (Candidates may not claim ignorance).

3.4. By applying, candidates declare awareness of UFSM institutional rules governing external researchers, specifically UFSM Resolutions No. 24/2008 and No. 28/2017 (Candidates may not claim ignorance).

3.5. Receipt of health insurance allowance by foreign scholarship holders entails mandatory purchase of health insurance coverage valid for the entire stay in Brazil. Failure to comply may result in full refund of disbursed amounts for this allowance, in accordance with CAPES norms.

3.6 Foreign candidates are solely responsible for obtaining an appropriate entry visa to Brazil compatible with their stay and planned activities, including potential extensions. All individuals coming to Brazil for academic, lecturing, or research activities must contact the Brazilian Consulate in their country of origin prior to travel. This condition is an essential requirement for reporting to CAPES.

4. EVALUATION CRITERIA

4.1. The selection committee for each research line will be designated by the Theme Coordinator, comprising at least three members, including at least one evaluator external to the responsible Graduate Program.

4.1.1. Following publication of the committee composition, candidates may submit a challenge against any member within 2 (two) business days, by sending a justification(s) to the application email. If approved, a revised committee composition will be published.

4.1.2 The evaluation considers the criteria and weights specified in the table below:

Order / Weight	Evaluated Criterion
1 – 50%	1.1 Quality of the research project (30%); 1.2 Potential of the foreign HEI and international collaborator for project development (10%); 1.3 Alignment of the project with the overall theme and the specific research topic (10%).
2 – 50%	2.1 Candidate profile for project execution (10%); 2.2 Quality of the candidate's scientific output (40%).

4.1.3. Prior to starting the selection process and whenever deemed necessary, PPGs must publish the specific quantitative criteria used for evaluation items, as well as those applied for affirmative action and/or gender equity measures where underrepresented. They must also retain the records of calculations used until the appeals schedule is finalized.

4.1.4. For candidates who took Maternity Leave (LG) or Adoption Leave (LA) for 6 (six) months or longer, the period considered for scientific/technological output will be extended by 2 (two) additional years. Proof must be submitted upon application.

4.2. The tie-breaking order within each research line is as follows: higher score in Item 1, followed by higher score in Item 2, followed by older candidate age.

4.3. If a scholarship is not implemented for the first-ranked candidate, alternate candidates will be called in order of classification:

4.3.1 First, within the research line in which the vacancy is available;

4.3.2. If unfilled by alternates within the research topic, the vacancy may be occupied by the first alternate from other research lines according to the following priority order:

Priority	Research Topic	Responsible PPG
1	Energy Transition	Chemical Engineering / UFSM
2	Civil Construction Materials	Civil and environmental Engineering / UFSM
3	Energy Processing	Electrical Engineering / UFSM

4.4. If vacancies remain, the same priority order applies to second alternates, and so forth.

4.5. Following publication of preliminary results, candidates who so desire, must request reconsideration from the responsible PPG within 2 (two) business days by sending a justification(s) to the application email.

4.6. Following publication of final results, candidates may appeal to the Management Committee within 2 (two) business days via email to capex.global@ufsm.br.

4.7. Upon conclusion of reconsideration appeals, PPGs will submit approved candidate documentation to the Theme Coordinator for scholarship implementation. The candidate is responsible for submitting supplementary documents whenever requested by the Theme Coordinator or by CAPES.

THEME 2 – Energy Transition, Materials, and Clean Technologies

SPECIFIC CALL: SANDWICH DOCTORATE IN BRAZIL (DSB)

1. VACANCIES AND BENEFITS

1.1. Research topic, Graduate Program (PPG) responsible for selection, number of vacancies, and duration:

Research Topic	Responsible PPG	Vacancies	Duration
Energy Transition	Chemical Engineering / UFSM	1	6 months

1.2. The awarded scholarships include payment of an installation allowance, travel allowance, health insurance, and monthly stipend in accordance with values established in CAPES Ordinance No. 1/2020. Additional location-specific allowances, when applicable, are defined by CAPES Ordinance No. 110/2025.

2. REQUIREMENTS

2.1. Candidates must be doctoral students regularly enrolled in a foreign Higher Education Institution associated with the CAPES-Global/UFSM Interregional Alliance Network for Internationalization and meet the following criteria:

- 2.1.1. Hold an active Brazilian Individual Taxpayer Registry number (CPF);
- 2.1.2. Be a foreign national;
- 2.1.3. Reside abroad;
- 2.1.4. Do not hold Brazilian nationality, dual Brazilian citizenship, or right to Brazilian citizenship at the time of application;
- 2.1.5. Do not hold permanent residence authorization in Brazil;
- 2.1.6. Provide proof of completing an undergraduate degree equivalent to the Brazilian system;
- 2.1.7. Are not currently pursuing a degree at the same academic level in Brazil;
- 2.1.8. Are not in default with CAPES or listed in federal public administration default registries;
- 2.1.9. Are eligible to commence academic activities immediately within the timeframe stipulated by the Graduate Program and this call;

2.1.10. Hold an active ORCID account and provide the ID on the online CAPES registration form (registration available at <https://orcid.org>);

2.1.11. Have satisfied the interstitial rule, i.e., remained in their country of origin/residence for at least 2 years after receiving a Brazilian degree or funding from a Brazilian grant agency:

a) after obtaining a Brazilian degree, in the case of applicants who are graduates of the PEC-G program or candidates who received a scholarship from a Brazilian funding agency to pursue undergraduate studies in Brazil;

b) after obtaining a master's degree (professional or academic), in the case of applicants who are graduates of the PEC-PG program or who received a scholarship from a Brazilian funding agency.

2.1.12. Have not been awarded a scholarship under the CAPES 'Move la America' program;

2.1.12. Have not been awarded a Sandwich Doctorate or Full Doctorate scholarship by a federal public entity in this or any previously undertaken doctoral program, in the case of applications for a Doctorate (Sandwich or Full);

2.1.13. Have not been awarded a Sandwich Master's or Full Master's scholarship by a federal public entity in this or any previously undertaken Master's program, in the case of applications for a Full Master's degree;

2.1.14. Do not already hold a doctoral degree;

2.1.15. Present a letter of acceptance from the supervisor in Brazil indicating the proposed start and end dates (month/year).

3. APPLICATION PROCESS

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Energy Transition	Chemical Engineering / UFSM	flavio.mayer@ufsm.br

3.2. The application will be finalized only upon submission of the following **mandatory** documents (all in PDF format):

3.2.1. Copy of Passport;

3.2.2. Proof of doctoral enrollment at a foreign HEI, including official transcript;

3.2.3. Updated Lattes or Curriculum Vitae;

3.2.4. Signed and dated acceptance letter on official institutional letterhead from the supervisor in Brazil (who must be a participating member of Theme 2, Energy Transition,

Materials, and Clean Technologies of the CAPES-Global/UFSM Program – Interregional Alliance Network for Internationalization);

3.2.5. Research project containing an activity plan aligned with Theme 2 (Energy Transition, Materials, and Clean Technologies).

3.3. The research project (up to 10 pages) must include: identification of advisor/supervisor in host PPG, objectives, targets, justification, methodology, expected results, and monitoring mechanisms.

3.4. By applying, candidates declare awareness of UFSM institutional rules governing external researchers, specifically UFSM Resolutions No. 24/2008 and No. 28/2017 (Candidates may not claim ignorance).

3.5. Receipt of health insurance allowance by foreign scholarship holders entails mandatory purchase of health insurance coverage valid for the entire stay in Brazil. Failure to comply may result in full refund of disbursed amounts for this allowance, in accordance with CAPES norms.

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4.3.2. If unfilled by alternates within the research topic, the vacancy may be occupied by the first alternate from other research lines according to the following priority order:

Priority	Research Topic	Responsible PPG
1	Not applicable	Not applicable

4.4. If vacancies remain, the same priority order applies to second alternates, and so forth.

4.5. Following publication of preliminary results, candidates who so desire, must request reconsideration from the responsible PPG within 2 (two) business days by sending a justification(s) to the application email.

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