

## ICFO – Caixa Catalunya Summer Fellows 2009

The Institute of Photonic Sciences (ICFO) is a center based in the Mediterranean Technology Park, in the Barcelona metropolitan area (Spain), devoted to research and education in Photonics at the highest international level.

ICFO hosts a Summer Research Fellowship Program sponsored by Caixa Catalunya Obra Social that aims at providing a unique opportunity to undergraduate students and their ICFO group leader mentors to engage for approximately twelve weeks of full-time research in the photonics research topics active at ICFO.

The Program aims at an early exposure to frontier science and research in Photonics, as well as at the early support of outstanding undergraduate students from institutions from all over the world to experience first-hand the excitement and challenges posed by research projects within the variety of ICFO's research fields. While conducting a challenging research project, *ICFO - Caixa Catalunya Summer Fellows* engage in a focused training program covering the basics and applications of the different research topics active at ICFO. The program aims at giving *Summer Fellows* a comprehensive overview of frontier research areas in Photonics and their corresponding applications.

### Eligibility

The program aims at outstanding students within the last two years of their Master-equivalent or Engineering degree studies. Eligible areas include Engineering, Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics and Biology.

### Conditions of fellowships

The fellowships are offered for the period from July to September and are non-renewable. The standard fellowship duration is three months, although specific conditions may be negotiated during the selection process.

The fellowships include a stipend of 2.500€ (gross) for residents and 3.500€ (gross) for non-residents, for a three-month full-time dedication. Eligible travel expenses are also covered.

### Selection procedure

Selection of *ICFO- Caixa Catalunya Summer Fellows* is based on merit and potential, measured in terms of academic records and personal achievements. Proactive attitudes, participation in community activities, and capacity for team-work are also taken into account.

#### **1) Required documentation for application**

To apply for a summer fellowship with ICFO, eligible candidates are requested to submit:

- The fulfilled application form (to be found attached to the call)
- A Curriculum Vitae (incl. full address, phone number and e-mail, copy of DNI/Passport)
- A scanned copy of your University academic transcripts in English, Spanish or Catalan
- A presentation letter with declaration of research interests
- The contact e-mail of two potential referees

Applications should be submitted by e-mail to [icfojobs@icfo.es](mailto:icfojobs@icfo.es), being coded in DOC, PS, or PDF formats and must include the subject line "Summer Fellows".

Applications can also be submitted by post to:  
Summer Fellows Screening Committee  
ICFO – The Institute of Photonic Sciences  
Av Canal Olímpic s/n  
08860 Castelldefels (Barcelona), Spain

## **2) Evaluation procedure**

The **deadline for submission** of applications for the annual call is: **31<sup>st</sup> of March, 2009.**

In order to optimize the selection procedure, applicants are kindly requested to choose the research areas (and, furthermore, the research groups) of their highest interest within the Application Form.

All applicants will be notified the *results of the evaluation* in their case by the 30<sup>th</sup> of April, 2009, at the latest.

In case of a final positive evaluation, the candidate will receive an official fellowship offer from ICFO. Finally, the deadline for confirmation of acceptance will be the 10<sup>th</sup> of May, 2009.

Candidates may be contacted by phone during the selection process.

## **3) After acceptance by ICFO**

ICFO's Human Resources and Education Unit assists *ICFO – Caixa Catalunya Summer Fellows* with further administrative and legal accomplishments necessary for your arrival to ICFO.

For more information, please browse <http://www.icfo.es/>