

Scholarship Program Julio Ricaldoni Foundation

Osana Abrahamian Scholarships - Markarian Donation Doctoral Study in Mathematics

Bases 2025 Edition

Background

Roberto Markarian is a Uruguayan mathematician and professor. He is a Full Professor at the Faculty of Engineering and was Rector of the University of the Republic (Udelar) between 2014 and 2018. In 2022, he was awarded an Honorary Doctorate by the Faculty of Engineering. His daughter, Vania Markarian, holds a Doctorate in History and is responsible for the Historical Research Area of the Udelar General Archive. Both have decided to donate funds to the Julio Ricaldoni Foundation to grant scholarships to individuals interested in training and specializing in the field of mathematics.

'The donors have resolved to finance various activities aimed at promoting the study of mathematics in the country. The importance of the discipline in human development and societies, as well as the existing awareness of its difficulties and potential shortcomings in its teaching at all levels of education, is well known.

With this initiative, we aim to put into practice some ideas that are important to us: access to quality education, equal opportunities, and solidarity. We do this in the name of Osana, who taught us these values because she believed in them even though her life experience might have suggested otherwise.

Osana Abrahamian was born on October 17, 1927, and passed away on March 18, 2015. She had three children: Sergio and Roberto Markarian and Leonel Batista. From a young age, she took charge of the store founded by her parents on 20 de Febrero and Fray Bentos, in the La Unión neighborhood of Montevideo.

From the kitchen of that house, she nourished several generations, and around the family table and business, she took an interest in everything happening in the world. She raised her sons Roberto and Leonel, creatively observing other families in the neighborhood.

She was good, wise, and brave. She paved the way for us. In her name, then, these scholarships, these opportunities. '

Roberto y Vania Markarian

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The Julio Ricaldoni Foundation is a Legal Entity of private law and non-profit created by the Faculty of Engineering of the University of the Republic with the aim of promoting the Faculty's contribution to its environment, especially the productive system, in order to contribute to the social and economic development of the country, continuously improve the quality of engineering, its teaching, and research.

In this context, the Foundation carries out a Scholarship Program, which aims to promote the study of Engineering and the scientific-technological area in general.

This scholarship is part of the donation made by the relatives of Osana Abrahamian to the Julio Ricaldoni Foundation, with the aim of promoting the study of Mathematics in the country.

Objective

This call aims to promote the training of specialists in the field of Mathematics and related scientific or technical branches, through the granting of scholarships for doctoral studies in Uruguay.

Who Can Apply?

Applicants can be Mathematics students of any nationality at any stage of their career, interested in pursuing doctoral studies in Mathematics at the University of the Republic of Uruguay, and not currently receiving any other master's or doctoral scholarship.

Additionally, the scholar may not have a workload exceeding 20 (twenty) hours per week and at least 75% of which must be devoted to the public education system

Scholarship Amount, Dedication, and Duration

The beneficiary will receive a non-refundable monthly fund of 9 BPC (Base of Benefits and Contributions). This base is annually updated by the Executive Branch (currently the value of 1 BPC corresponds to UYU 6.576).

The scholarship recipient will be required to teach 4 hours of classes per week (not included in the 20 hours mentioned above) at the Rafael Laguardia Institute of Mathematics and Statistics (IMERL). Those who teach at IMERL as part of their regular job will not exceed 8 hours of classes per week. If the beneficiary has difficulties with the Spanish language this obligation will be applied after 6 months from the beginning of the scholarship.

The scholarship period is planned for 12 months. This period may be renewed for an additional 12 months, provided there is approval from the Selection Committee based on the progress made in the doctoral program.

The use of the scholarship must begin during the period of one year after the scholarship is awarded.

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How Many Scholarships Are Granted?

Up to two scholarships will be awarded in this edition.

Application Deadline

The application period is from **July 1, 2025 until August 17, 2025 at 11:59 pm.**

Application Conditions

Interested parties must submit the following documentation:

- Curriculum Vitae.
- Letter(s) of recommendation.
- Tentative plan of work for the doctoral studies.
- Letter of application, at most two pages long, clearly expressing interest in the PhD and explaining:
 - a) why it would be relevant to receive the amount of this scholarship to begin or to carry out their studies
 - b) Interest in applying their training to improve the teaching of the discipline at educational levels that may include but not reduce to university

The documentation must be sent to the Julio Ricaldoni Foundation via email at **becas@ricaldoni.org.uy**, subject: 'Osana Abrahamian Scholarship-Markarian Donation - Doctoral Studies in Mathematics.'

The Ricaldoni Foundation will not accept any documentation via any other means or outside the deadline specified in this call.

Selection Process and Criteria

The scholarship will be awarded by a Selection Committee appointed by the Julio Ricaldoni Foundation in agreement with the donors. The decision of this Committee will be final.

The evaluation criteria will be as follows:

1. Curriculum Vitae.
2. Motivation and commitment.
3. Work plan.
4. Recommendations

The Committee will evaluate the submitted documentation and, if necessary, personal interviews will be conducted.

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Formalization

The scholarship will be formalized through the signing of a contract between the beneficiary and the Julio Ricaldoni Foundation. The presentation of the acceptance receipt for registration to the Doctorate will be a requirement for the contract's signing.

Authorization

Those selected within the scholarship program, by the mere act of applying, hereby expressly authorize FJR, FING, and relatives of Osana Abrahamian to disseminate images and/or voice in general, as well as photographs of any act and/or event in which they participate in relation to this Program, through any means of communication, including but not limited to written press, television, web pages, social networks, etc.

Consent for Data Processing

Those who apply for this call hereby expressly consent to the FJR and FING processing their personal data in accordance with the provisions of Law No. 18,331, of August 11, 2018, (Personal Data Protection Law), articles 37 to 40 of Law No. 19,670, of October 15, 2018, and Decrees No. 414/2009, of August 31, 2009, 64/020, of February 17, 2020, as amended and related.

Other Considerations

Application implies full acceptance of these terms. FJR reserves the right to decide on any circumstance not expressly provided for in them without any right to claim by the applicants.

Inquiries

Questions or inquiries about the terms will be received at the email becas@ricaldoni.org.uy.