



FAQ

What is PIIP - LAPSO?

PIIP is a program for the development of research skills in Psychology promoted by LAPSO - Iscte's Psychology Laboratory that includes components of technical training and integration in a research team.

Who can register?

All Iscte Psychology students (bachelor's degree and 1st year of master's degree) can register through the [form](#). Vacancies will be limited to 20 students per year.

What will I learn?

By being a PIIP assistant you will have access to workshops/training actions on research in Psychology (e.g., the career of researcher in Psychology; ethics in research; good practices in data collection in various contexts). In addition, you will have the opportunity to work on a project coordinated by a researcher from CIS – Centre for Research and Social Intervention, following the different stages of the research process. You can find more information in the program.

Who will I collaborate with?

PIIP is coordinated by the LAPSO team (Marília Prada, Sofia Frade and Helena Santos) and has the participation of the laboratory's interns. In addition, you will be mentored by a CIS researcher. Each mentor will be responsible for accompanying a small group of students.

What research topics can I collaborate on?

Mentors are researchers from different areas of Psychology who work with a diversity of methodological approaches (quantitative and qualitative) and populations (e.g., children, young adults, older adults, people with chronic illness, etc.). We cannot guarantee the availability of mentors from all areas in a given academic year. In the session, the mentors and their projects will be presented, seeking to distribute the PIIP assistants according to their interests.

In which languages will the sessions take place?

The mandatory sessions will take place in Portuguese. The workshops/training actions and mentoring sessions can take place in Portuguese or English. It is likely that most working materials, namely literature, will be made available only in English.

How much time will I have to invest?

The PIIP takes place throughout the academic year (October 2024 to May 2025) and lasts approximately 60 hours. Taking into account the academic demands of the students, we will try to adjust the activities to your schedule and availability. Training activities will be suspended during holidays and evaluation periods.

Although the PIIP only includes 60 hours, students interested in continuing to collaborate with the mentors may do so.

Where do the PIIP's activities take place?

The mandatory activities will take place in person at LAPSO. The remaining activities may take place in-person or online, namely follow-up meetings with the mentors or tasks that can be carried out autonomously (e.g., bibliographic research; preparation of research materials; data coding).

What is the cost of this program?

This program is free for Iscte Psychology students.

How will my participation be recognized?

At the end you will receive a certificate of completion of the program that details the scientific projects you have participated in and the tasks you have accomplished. You will also receive a certificate of participation for each workshop/training action. Participation in the PIIP does not include final classification or attribution of credits.