

Call for Applications: Interdisciplinary Writing and Capacity Building in Sustainable Food Systems Research: Developing the next generation of Brazilian ECRs

The School of Health, Social Work and Sport, University of Central Lancashire and Faculdade de Ciências Aplicadas, Universidade Estadual de Campinas invite applications from Early Career Researchers (ECRs) based in Brazil with research interests in sustainable food systems to participate in a 4-day writing workshop. There is an underrepresentation of Brazilian scholars in sustainable food systems research especially those with interdisciplinary background in consumer behaviour, food science, food security and nutrition. The proposed programme is focused on social science research in sustainable food systems. Food systems are complex social-ecological systems which encompass all stakeholders involved in production, processing, transportation, consumption and disposal of food (Lamine, 2015). Themes covered in this workshop include but are not limited to food sustainability, food safety, food waste, economics and governance of food production, interactions between food production and natural environment and impact of food on population health. This programme aims to train and support ECRs in Brazil in writing and publishing skills and to explore funding opportunities.

The writing workshop is organised by Dr. Jan Soon Sinclair, Senior Lecturer in Food Safety, University of Central Lancashire, Associate Professor Diogo Thimoteo da Cunha, Coordinator of Nutrition Course in Universidade Estadual de Campinas, Professor Manoj Dora, Professor in Sustainable Production and Consumption and Director of Centre for Intelligent Supply Chains at Anglia Ruskin University, Professor Lisa Jack, Professor of Accounting at University of Portsmouth, and Associate Professor Elke Stedefeldt, Federal University of São Paulo. The writing workshop is funded by the British Academy. The aim of the workshop is to:

- To mentor and develop ECRs' writing, publishing and grant application skills.
- To establish interdisciplinary research networks for sustainable and equitable research collaborations.
- To increase understanding of Global North and South editors on how to best support ECRs.

Participation in the workshops would involve attendance at a 4-day in-person workshop and a 2-day virtual seminar. Participants are expected to commit to developing at least one high-quality journal article. The in-person workshop will be held at Casa do Professor Visitante (CPV), State University of Campinas, Campinas, São Paulo, Brazil in **2 – 5 September 2024**. The workshop has no costs to the participants and the costs associated with the in-person workshop, including travel to São Paulo, accommodation and food will be fully covered.

To be considered for the workshop, applicants need to satisfy the following requirements:

1. Be in your final year of PhD studies or Early Career Researcher (within eight years of your PhD award, i.e., since 2016).

2. Be working in the area of Sustainable Food Systems especially in consumer behaviour, food science, food security, food waste and nutrition.
3. Must commit to full attendance of all in-person workshop in 2024 and virtual seminar in 2025.
4. Provide a letter of support from their institution, stating they will be released to participate in the in-person workshop if selected.

Application process

To apply, please fill in this form by **May 24th**. If you cannot access the form, please try opening the link in a different browser.

<https://forms.gle/U8bHaM9JMADjbwdZA>

You will need to include:

- A letter of support from your institution in the case of hired researchers or postdoc students
- A personal statement (maximum 250 words)
- A 200-word abstract of a potential idea or paper you wish to develop for publication
- Link to Lattes Curriculum Vitae (CV). The Lattes CV must be updated.
- A copy of your PhD certificate (if applicable)
- A 2000-word summary or extract from your paper that you would like to develop further. This might, for instance include an introduction and methodology section or an extended outline of your paper.

All materials must be submitted in English (with except of Lattes CV). You will be informed about your admission by end of June 2024.

Only inscriptions sent via the link will be accepted. (Please do not send inscriptions by email)

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