Institute of Chemistry – University of São Paulo
Call for Applications – Graduate Program in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

The Coordinator of the Graduate Program in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology at the Institute of Chemistry, University of São Paulo (IQ-USP), **Prof. Dr. Deborah Schechtman**, announces the **opening of applications** for the **Selection Exam** for **Master's, Doctorate, and Direct Doctorate** programs.

Application Period:
From **May 20, 2025, to June 22, 2025**
Applications must be submitted **exclusively online** via http://www.iq.usp.br/posgraduacao/sistema/ by **11:59 PM (Brasília time) on June 22, 2025**.
Late applications will **not** be accepted.

For more information, contact:
 Email: ccpbq@iq.usp.br
 Graduate Office – IQ/USP: Av. Professor Lineu Prestes, 748, Block 06, Upper Level, Room 667

I – Selection Exam

The exam will be held **in person** on **July 8, 2025**, from **9:00 AM to 1:00 PM (Brasília time)** at:
Institute of Chemistry, USP – Av. Prof. Lineu Prestes, 748, Block 06, São Paulo.

For out-of-state candidates, the exam will also be conducted in person on the same date in select municipalities in the states of:
Alagoas, Amazonas, Bahia, Ceará, Mato Grosso do Sul, Minas Gerais, Paraná, Rio Grande do Sul, Rio Grande do Norte, and Rio de Janeiro.
Candidates residing in other states may apply normally but must notify the Graduate Office so that the Admissions Committee can evaluate the possibility of offering the exam locally.

II – Application Requirements

Applications must be submitted via http://www.iq.usp.br/posgraduacao/sistema/ by June 22, 2025, at 11:59 PM (Brasília time).

Required Documents (to be uploaded to the system):

- Identity Card (RG or equivalent)
- CPF (Brazilian Individual Taxpayer Registry)
- Voter Registration Card and proof of electoral compliance
- Military Certificate (for male applicants)
- Birth or Marriage Certificate

- A recent 3x4 photograph

Note: Foreign applicants are exempt from submitting items related to the CPF, voter registration, and military certificate.

III – Enrollment Documents

(Must be uploaded or submitted in person at enrollment)

For Master's and Direct Doctorate Applicants:

- Undergraduate Academic Transcript
- Undergraduate Diploma (front and back) or Certificate of Completion with graduation date
- Advisor Acceptance Letter

For Doctorate Applicants (with a Master's degree):
In addition to the documents above, submit:

- Master's Academic Transcript
- Master's Diploma or Certificate of Completion approved by the Graduate Program Committee (CPG)
- Printed copy of Master's Thesis (to be delivered in person – **do not upload**)
- CAPES Evaluation Report from the Master's Program

Note: All original documents must be presented for verification upon enrollment. Incomplete submissions will not be accepted.

IV – Admission via GRE

Candidates may opt to take the **GRE General Test** or the **Biology Subject Test** in lieu of the Selection Exam.
To qualify, candidates must achieve a **60th percentile or higher** in:

- "Quantitative Reasoning" and "Analytical Writing" sections of the General Test, GRE scores are valid for **three (3) years** from the test date for purposes of enrollment.

V – Exam Format and Content

The exam consists of a **single written test** covering general Biochemistry knowledge. Candidates scoring **5.0 or higher** will be considered approved.
The syllabus is available at:

http://www.iq.usp.br/portaliqusp/?q=pt-br/pos/bioquimica/topicos-do-exame-de-ingresso

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VI – Number of Available Spots

A total of **100 spots** are available in the Biochemistry Program.
30% are reserved for candidates who self-identify as **PPI (Black, Brown, or Indigenous)** during application.

VII – Results and Appeals

Results will be published on the program's website and can also be requested via email: ccpbq@iq.usp.br.
Approved candidates will have **three (3) years** from the exam date to enroll.
Candidates may request a review of their exam results **within 10 business days** of publication, by email.