## **ICREA Acadèmia for UdL's professor Carolina** Villacampa

## This research recognition provides 200,000 euros distributed over five years

The Catalan Institute of Research and Advanced Studies [ https://www.icrea.cat/ ] has distinguished the work of researcher of the professor of the University of Lleida (UdL), Carolina Villacampa Estiarte, with an ICREA Acadèmia 2022. The professor of Criminal Law at the UdL has been one of the 40 beneficiaries of this program, promoted and financed by the Generalitat de Catalunya to reward excellence in the research of teaching staff and doctoral researchers of Catalan public universities who teach and are at the same time in an active phase and expansion of his research career. Created in 2008, it aims



to promote this career and retain the country's research talent.

The people selected in this fourteenth edition were 23 men and 17 women. In addition to Villacampa, fourteen researchers from the University of Barcelona, seven from Autònoma de Barcelona, six from the Polytechnic of Catalonia, four from Pompeu Fabra, four from Rovira i Virgili, two from Ramon Llull will receive the aid, one from the University of Girona, and one from the Open University of Catalonia.

ICREA Acadèmia involves priority dedication to research activities during the five years of the program, thanks to an annual grant for each researcher of 16,000 euros freely available, a grant of 20,000 euros for their university which is 'must be allocated to research projects and the recruitment of staff to reduce the teaching work of the ICREA Acadèmia-, in addition to a fee of 4,000 euros for program management.

Professor at the UdL since 1998, Villacampa directs the consolidated research group Sustainable Society and Law and the Master's Degree in Criminal Justice System [ https://sistemajusticiapenal.udl.cat/es/ ]. From September 2022, he chairs the Law area of the Agencia Estatal de Investigación [ https://www.aei.gob.es/areas-tematicas/areas-tematicas]. For over a decade, she has combined her teaching activity at the UdL and the Open University of Catalonia with her jurisdictional work as a substitute magistrate at the Provincial Court of Lleida.

She is one of the most prominent specialists in criminal law of her generation, being the seventh most cited in Spain in the field of criminal law, procedural law and criminology, according to Dialnet metrics. He ranks 3,402 out of the 5,600 most cited Spanish and foreign researchers in Spain in the Superior Council of Scientific Research (CSIC) ranking [ https://www.webometrics.info/en/investigadoras ] based on the Google Scholar database. His research lines in recent years have focused on gender violence, human trafficking in its various manifestations, policies to address prostitution, the online sexual victimization of minors and the protection of victims in front of secondary victimization.

The UdL professor has expressed her satisfaction at receiving the award, primarily because it gives visibility to a scientific discipline, Law, which does not tend to have too much prominence in panels that evaluate the social sciences together.

The UdL currently has three more ICREA Acadèmias, Flocel Sabaté, from the Faculty of Arts, and Daniel Chemisana and Luisa F. Cabeza, from the Higher Polytechnic School.

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