CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE AWARD OF RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS
Regulation on Research Fellowships pursuant to Italian Law no. 240/2010
Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna, issued by Rectoral Decree no. 416 of 19/04/2011

Art. 1 - Purpose

The DIPARTIMENTO DI STORIA CULTURE CIVILTA'/DISCI (Department of History and Cultures) at Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna, in cooperation with Duke University and the University of Virginia, opens the following call for the award of one grant research fellowship. The purpose of this fellowship is to carry out research activities within the project entitled “Global Humanities and Critical Theory,” according to the annexed Activity Programme. The call for applications for the research fellowship is issued pursuant to the University Regulation and issued by Rectoral Decree (D.R.) no. 416 of 19/04/2011.

Research activities will be carried out under the supervision of an advisor to be identified by the Department after the grant award selection in agreement with the Director of the Academy of Global Humanities and Critical Theory (Prof. Raffaele Laudani). This will be a non-subordinate relationship with no fixed working hours.

The main place of work will be at the DIPARTIMENTO DI STORIA CULTURE CIVILTA' (Department of History and Cultures), Piazza S. Giovanni in Monte 2, 40124 BOLOGNA.

Art. 2 - Requirements for candidacy

The selection is open to candidates in possession of the following degree:

- Completion of a PhD in any field of the Humanities or Social Sciences in the last 5 years and no older than 35 years of age.

Candidates must possess the admission requirements by the application deadline.

The selection is not open to any persons who are related by blood or by marriage up to the fourth degree to a professor working in the department for which the call is issued, the Rector, Director General, or a member of the Board of Governors of the University.

Art. 3 - Application

The research fellowship application must be delivered not later than 16th April 2018 within 12.00 p.m. (noon, Italian time).

Any applications received after the deadline will not be accepted.

The application should be presented on-line at: http://aghct.org/post-doc-2018

The Department is not liable for any issues regarding delivery and correspondence that are not the result of errors made by its own staff.
The degree may be declared admissible by the Evaluation Board, solely for the purposes of admission to the selection procedure.

If the selected candidate has obtained his/her degree in a country outside of the European Union, he/she must provide the Department with an official translation and a declaration of value of the degree issued by the diplomatic representation or Italian consulate in their home country. This must be done in accordance with applicable laws within 30 days from notification of the selection committee's official approval. If the Department does not receive the documents by the given deadline, the candidate will not be awarded the grant contract.

Candidates must enclose the following with their applications:

- Curriculum Vitae
- Certificates of all qualifications to be assessed according to art. 4 of this call for applications. Academic and professional qualifications must be self-certified by an affidavit (as per the attached form). Applications must include a photocopy of an official form of identification along with the affidavit.
- A project of no more than 5000 words describing the research they intend to pursue during the two years of fellowship.
- 1 writing sample (published or unpublished)
- 1 letter of recommendation

Candidates are admitted to the selection procedure with reserve.
At any time, even after participation in any tests, the Administration may, with justification, exclude them from the selection procedure.

**Art. 4 - Comparative assessment of the candidates and the Evaluation Board**

The candidates will be assessed comparatively by an Evaluation Board formed by the following members:

Profs., Davide Domenici, Laurent Dubois, Francesca Fiorani, Raffaele Laudani (ex-officio).

The selection procedure focuses on the examination of the criteria laid down in advance by the Evaluation Board. The Evaluation Board will review the candidates' academic and professional curriculum, work, and publications that are included with the application. The Board will also interview candidates in order to verify the suitability of the candidate for carrying out the research programme.

Please note that only a short list of 5 candidates will be selected for an interview via Skype or in-person in Bologna. This list will be published on the following web site: [http://www.disci.unibo.it/it/bandi](http://www.disci.unibo.it/it/bandi)

Candidates must present a valid ID document at the interview.
Candidates admitted for interview will be informed by e-mail.

With the approval of the Board, candidates may sit the interview online, via Skype audio and video teleconference if they explicitly request the use of such method in their application. For this purpose, candidates selected for the interview are invited to contact the Board promptly at the following e-mail address: info@aghct.org

At the start of the on-line interview, the candidates must exhibit to the Board the same ID document submitted with their application.

Remote interviews will be held on the same days as the interviews held in person, in the order and at the times established by the Board. This information, as well as the ranking list
of admitted candidates, will be available on the Department website at: http://www.dioci.unibo.it/it/bandi

The online interviews are public and may be watched by the audience at the interview site.

At the end of the selection procedure, the Board will draw up a list of candidates with relative scores.

If two candidates receive the same scores, preference will be given to the younger candidate.

The Head of the Department will confirm in writing his/her approval of the list drawn up by the Board. This list will be published on http://www.disce.unibo.it/it/bandi and will have a validity of 5 months.

The list of candidates may be used to award other research contracts within the same research project for the duration of less than one year.

Art. 5 - Duration and amount of the contract

The contract lasts 24 months and may be renewed and/or extended according to the University Regulation concerning research fellowships, as issued by D.R. no. 416 of 19/04/2011.

The gross amount of the research fellowship contract is € 40,000.00 per annum. The amount is exempt from withholding tax and includes all statutory social security charges the Research Fellow is subject to.

The amount will be paid in deferred monthly payments.

The Research Fellow is provided with accident insurance, against payment of the required contribution that will be withheld from the first monthly installment.

Art. 6 – Contract signature

The winning candidate will be invited to sign a research contract with the Department by Friday, December 21, 2018.

Failure to accept the award by the deadline required by the Department will lead to the forfeiture of the right to sign the contract.

Art. 7 - Rights and Duties

a) The contract is governed by the following regulations concerning leave: for obligatory maternity leave, the provisions laid down in the Decree of the Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare of 12 July 2007, published in the Official Journal no. 247 of 23 October 2007, and, for sick leave, article 1, paragraph 788, of Italian law no. 296 of 27 December 2006 and amendments.

b) The research activities are carried out under the supervision of an advisor, in a non-subordinate relationship with no fixed working hours. The research fellow shall personally carry out the required activities laid down in the Activity Programme without any substitution.

c) Research Fellows assigned to medical and clinical subject areas: the Research Fellow may carry out care activities exclusively for the purposes and needs of the research project, in the methods and limits laid down in the contract, or, in the case of activities carried out in healthcare structures, as laid down in specific agreements between the university and the health board.
d) The Research Fellow may spend a period of study abroad, in line with the programme agreed upon with the Department and with expenses funded by the Department, without prejudice to the possibility to obtain external funding.

Art. 8 - Regulations concerning Intellectual Property

Industrial Property rights over the results achieved by the Research Fellow in the execution of activities undertaken on behalf of the University, including but not limited to industrial inventions, models, drawings, plant varieties, as well as the intellectual and industrial property rights deriving from the production of software or databases (“Results”), belong exclusively to the University. The University reserves the right to freely use the intellectual property in agreements made by the departments with third parties, without prejudice to the moral rights of the Research Fellow, who will be acknowledged as the author or inventor.

The Research Fellow has the right to publish the results of his/her research activities provided that its publication does not prejudice the rights of the University over the protection of the research.

The Research Fellow therefore undertakes the responsibility to promptly notify the achievement of research results to the advisor, who shall then verify the existence of any such prejudice.

Art. 9 - Non-accumulation, incompatibility, leave

1. This research fellowship is incompatible with the following positions:
   a) fixed-term and full-time staff employed by the bodies listed in Art. 22 Par. 1 of Italian Law no. 240/2010;
   b) persons employed by any private entities on a fixed term, permanent or part-time basis; For staff of any Public Administration position other than those listed in letter a) refer to the provisions of point 2 below;
   c) persons with fixed-term research contracts with any university;
   d) adjunct professors with official teaching responsibilities in degree programmes or specialisation schools in any university;
   e) persons enrolled in any first, second, or single cycle degree programmes, PhD programmes with scholarships or in a specialisation school. Self-funded research contracts are compatible with enrolments in non-medical specialisation schools, for which no study grant or contract is foreseen or master’s degree only where authorised in advance by the Department Director, and having sought the opinion of the advisor.
   f) persons awarded research fellowships at any other body.
2. Employees of public administrations other than those listed in point a) with a fixed-term, permanent or part-time contract shall take unpaid leave of absence for the whole period of the research contract.
3. Freelance professional activities are compatible with the research fellowship contract when authorised in advance by the Board of the Department and the motivated opinion of the advisor who has verified that the activities, in addition to the research fellowship, do not prejudice the regular execution of the contract.
4. The accumulation of the research fellowship contract with study grants awarded for any purpose is not permitted, with the exception of those granted by national or foreign institutions for the purposes of integrating the research activities with study periods abroad.
5. The above requirements must be possessed from the moment of entry into the contract. The winning candidate shall sign a specific affidavit undertaking the responsibility to notify the Department of any variations in the declared situations as soon as they occur.

Art. 10 – Forfeiture

Any candidate who does not sign the contract within the deadline required by the Department, unless for promptly and duly demonstrated reasons of health or unforeseeable circumstances, will forfeit the right to sign the contract.

Art. 11 - Reference norms

For any matters not laid down in this call for applications, refer to the Regulation on Research Fellows issued by the University of Bologna by Rectoral Decree no. 416 cated 19.04.2011 and other statutory regulations in force.

The personal data provided by the candidates in their application, pursuant to articles 7 and 13 of Italian Legislative Decree no. 196 of 30.06.03, shall be processed for the purposes of managing the selection procedure and the contract.

Selection procedure manager is Prof. Francesca Sofia.

For any administrative information concerning this public announcement, please refer to: dott. Riccardo Venturini or dott. Annamaria Sodano at disci.segretariamministrativa@unibo.it; annamaria.sodano@unibo.it

This call for applications will be published on the University Portal, the MIUR website and the European Mobility Portal.

Date, 16th March 2018

Head of Department

Prof. Francesca Sofia