Research fellowship on M-FIL/06 - HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY; M-FIL/05 - PHILOSOPHY AND THEORY OF LANGUAGE - Università Ca' Foscari Venezia
(Italian law 30 December 2010, n.240, art. 22)

The present document in English is to be considered as a mere summary of the main provisions of the notice of competition which is available in Italian at the following link.

The text in Italian is the official text of the notice of competition for all legal intents and purposes and, in the event of non-conformity with the present document, it shall prevail.

Description
The Department of Philosophy and Cultural Heritage at Università Ca' Foscari Venezia invites applications for a fellowship in:

TITLE: Strategies against vagueness. The definitional constellation between Descartes and Spinoza

SCIENTIFIC DISCIPLINARY SECTOR: M-FIL/06 – History of Philosophy; M-FIL/05 - Philosophy and Theory of Language

SCIENTIFIC COORDINATOR AND TUTOR: prof. Maria Emanuela Scribano

ABSTRACT: The project intends to focus on the definition theories developed in the works of Descartes and Spinoza; more specifically, it will explore the analogies and differences between the approach strategies employed by the two philosophers in order to obtain definitions able to ensure the knowledge of reality and to give a scientifically fruitful description of it. The project's expected outcomes are the following: an examination of the notions of “clarity” and “distinction", taking into account their use by, and meaning to, late Scholasticism - in particular within the Scotistic framework. A similar survey is desirable with regard to the notion of "adequacy". The aim of the project is to determine the conceptual shifts and lexical transformations within the constellation of definitions operated between the second scholastic and the thought of modernity.

The research fellowship is awarded for the purpose of collaboration with the following Research programme of the Department of Philosophy and Cultural Heritage: PRIN 2015 “Nuovi approcci al pensiero della prima età moderna: forme, caratteri e finalità del metodo costellatorio” - CUP H2F15000450003.

The research may be carried out in English.
The fellowship is intended to provide the successful candidate with the opportunity to pursue his/her own research while benefiting from the range of expertise at Università Ca' Foscari Venezia.

Who can apply
Prospective candidates are expected to hold a doctoral's degree in Philosophy, or related disciplines.
Ca' Foscari encourages applications from researchers with positive evaluation in all the criteria in individual proposals such as Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions - Individual Fellowships/ERC Starting Grants/FIRB (Italian Fund for basic research investments)/SIR (Scientific Young Independence Research) or similar.
Researchers having successfully completed Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions - Individual Fellowships/ERC Starting Grants/FIRB (Italian Fund for basic research investments)/SIR (Scientific Young Independence Research) or similar funded projects are warmly encouraged to apply.
Duration of contract: 12 months (approximately starting: on January 01st 2019).

Stipend: The research fellowship amounts to 19367 Euros per year, including taxes and social charges.

Deadline for submission of applications: November 28th 2018, h. 12.00 a.m.

How to apply:

Candidates should submit:

1. The application form;
2. A motivation letter (max 1 page) along with their CV in European format, duly dated and signed, both to enclosed as a one single pdf file. (link)
3. A copy of a valid identity document (either Identity Card or Passport);
4. (If available) Evaluation Summary Reports of Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions - Individual Fellowships/ ERC Starting Grants/FIRB (Italian Fund for basic research investments)/SIR (Scientific Young Independence Research) individual proposals having passed all the evaluation thresholds;
5. (If available) Details of Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions - Individual Fellowships, ERC Starting Grants, FIRB (Italian Fund for basic research investments)/ SIR Scientific Young Independence Research funded projects;
6. All documents, qualifications and publications relevant for the selection procedure (please, see the notice link).

All the schemes of the quoted documentation are available on the website (link).

How to submit your application

Applications should be submitted by the online procedure, available on the notice webpage (link).
Or submit here: https://static.unive.it/domandeconcorso-en/accesso/dfbe-prin15scrib

The candidate, after the uploading, will receive a submission number and an e-mail acknowledging receipt of his/her application.

The candidate if necessary could access the procedures for updating any data and materials by the link provided by the e-mail, in any case any updates must be made no later than the deadline November 28th 2018, h. 12.00 a.m.

Please note that the University can be contacted for any support needs by the candidate until 24 hours prior to the deadline.

Please note that in case of an high number of applications and / or weight of the materials loaded by the candidates the system might become slower, Therefore it is suggested not to start the process close to the deadline.

NB: the University does not take on responsibility for wrong or late communication of addresses, nor for any communication problem not depending on the University.

Evaluation

Up to 100 points, specifically:
For qualifications, publications and possible tests, from 0 to 60;
For interview, from 0 to 40.
Selection procedure

The interview will be on December 12th 2018, h. 11.00 a.m. at Department of Philosophy and Cultural Heritage, Malcanton Marcòrà palace - Dorsoduro 3484/D, 30123 Venezia (III flcor, Mazzariol room).

The short-list of the candidates admitted to the interview, or any postponement, will be published on the University’s webpage on December 6th 2018 (link).

Candidates living farther than 200 Kms from Venice may ask to hold a telematic interview.

Information and contacts

Candidates may find further details about the application process and the research project in the official call published on the following (link).

For further information please contact Atty. Esterita Vanin, in charge of the Research Office of the Department of Philosophy and Cultural Heritage, tel. 0039-041-2346353/6212, email: ricerca.fbc@unive.it.

Venezia, 7/11/2018

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For acknowledgement (F.A.)

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Atty. Esterita Vanin