Research fellowship on “Patterns of power and practises of government in the making of Carolingian Italy: The Venitian duchy”, Ca’ Foscari University of Venice (Italian law 30 December 2010, n. 240, art. 22)

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Description

The Department of Humanities at Ca’ Foscari University of Venice (Dipartimento di Studi Umanistici dell’Università Ca’ Foscari Venezia) invites applications for a fellowship in: “Patterns of power and practises of government in the making of Carolingian Italy: The Venitian duchy”, within the PRIN 2017 entitled “Ruling in hard times. Patterns of power and practices of government in the making of Carolingian Italy”, CUP: H74I17000180003, Academic discipline: M-STO/01 Medieval History, Tutor prof. Stefano Gasparri.

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.

Abstract

This research grant is included in the activity of the Venice unit of a PRIN 2017 project entitled “Ruling in hard times. Patterns of power and practices of government in the making of Carolingian Italy”. The Venetian unity must study the areas of the periphery of the Italian kingdom in the Carolingian age; this research grant is dedicated to the study of one of them, the Venetian Duchy, which developed as an autonomous reality in the Carolingian age, formally inserted in the Byzantine Empire, but in reality in close relationship with the Italian kingdom governed by the Carolingians.

Who can apply

Prospective candidates are expected to hold a PhD (Doctorate) in Medieval History and appropriate scientific-professional curriculum for the research. 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: 1st September 2020).

Stipend: The research fellowship total amount is 19.367,00 Euros, including taxes and social charges.

Deadline for submission of applications: 26th June 2020, h. 12.00 noon (Italian time)

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. Declaration on availability to held the interview in remote (Link) to be send via email at the following address: ricerca.dsu@unive.it;
7. 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/dsu-6-2020

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 26th June 2020, h. 12.00 noon (Italian time).

Please note that the University can be contacted for any support needs by the candidate by 25th June 2020, h. 1.00 p.m. (Italian time).

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 the interview, from 0 to 40.

Candidates are admitted to the interview if assessment of the qualifications and the possible tests results in a score equal to or greater than 42/60.

The following qualifications are considered as evaluation criteria:
a) a list of the candidate’s scientific publications;
b) at least three publications in the specific field of research covered by the grant, sent by the candidates in a digital format, will be evaluated by the selection committee;
c) documented research activity in public and private organisations with contracts, study grants or research fellowships both in Italy and abroad, in the specific field of research covered by the grant;
d) attached ‘preferential securities’, if the candidate possesses them - see Article 5;
e) any other element provided for the announcement, to the articles 2, 3 and 5.
The interview aims to assess the candidates’ skills and expertise on the following subjects:
  • knowledge of the early medieval history of Italy, of the Venitian duchy and in particular of the 9th-10th century Venitian documentation (published and unpublished).
  • knowledge of the English language.

At the end of his/her research activity, the research fellow is required to provide the Department with:
  • Two scientific essays, or papers in conferences, on Italian early medieval history.

Selection procedure
The interview will be held on 6th July 2020, h. 10 a.m. The interview will be held in remote (with Google Meet).
The short-list of the candidates admitted to the interview, or any postponement, will be published on the University’s webpage on 30th June 2020 (link).

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 Department of Humanities - Research Office, e-mail: ricerca.dsu@unive.it