Call for a Research fellowship on Early childcare expansion policy and maternal employment: empirical analysis and data collection - Università Ca' Foscari Venezia (Italian law 30 December 2010, n.240, art. 22 and subsequent amendments and additions). PRIN 2022-PNRR “REthinking incenTives and bArriers to materNal employment. Ex ante and ex post policy evaluations based on preferences, constraints and family dynamics (RETAIN)”, Project Code P2022FWHWM, CUP H53D23008370001. Call issued by Ca’ Foscari University of Venice.

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**Title: Early childcare expansion policy and maternal employment: empirical analysis and data collection**

- **funding** – PRIN 2022-PNRR-“REthinking incenTives and bArriers to materNal employment. Ex ante and ex post policy evaluations based on preferences, constraints and family dynamics (RETAIN)”, Project Code P2022FWHWM, CUP H53D23008370001.
- **start of the programme**: The research programme envisages the start of the activity approximately in February 2024.
- **SSD**: SECS-P/01
- **Duration**: 22 months
- **Stipend**: The research fellowship amounts to Euro 28,531.50=per year, gross to the recipient, net of the expenses to be sustained by the Provider. The amount may be subject to adjustment in the event of variations in the law
- **scientific coordinators and tutors**: Prof.ssa Ylenia Brilli

**abstract:**

The research fellowship is part of the project “RETAIN: REthinking incenTives and bArriers to materNal employment. Ex ante and ex post policy evaluations based on preferences, constraints and family dynamics”, which has been funded by the Italian Ministry of University and Research at the latest PRIN 2022 PNRR call. The research fellow’s activity will refer to empirical micro-econometric analysis aimed at identifying the causal effects of early childcare expansion policies on maternal employment and job quality; the research fellow will also contribute to the development of a new survey data, which will allow us to assess the effects of such policies on family dynamics. We require the candidate to have a good knowledge of the software STATA, previous experience in the analysis of micro-level data, and knowledge of the necessary methodologies that could be used for causal policy evaluation analysis.

**Who can apply**

Prospective candidates are expected to hold a master’s degree in the subjects of the research, 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.

Favourite headlines
- the Ph.D. related to the research activities described in the abstract;
- completion of attendance at a doctoral program Related to the research activities described in the abstract, while awaiting the award of the degree;
- Research activities relevant to the topics described in the abstract;
- specialization diplomas and certificates of attendance at postgraduate specialization courses, obtained both in Italy and abroad, the performance of documented research activities at public and private entities with contracts, scholarships or assignments both in Italy and abroad;

Deadline for submission of applications: by and no later than 2024-01-08, h. 12:00 noon – local time.

WARNING! Please note that the University is closed for the Christmas festivities from 23rd December 2023 to 7th January 2024. We strongly recommend that you DO NOT send applications for participation that must be received during the closing period indicated

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. (http://www.unive.it/pag/28830)
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, Doctoral degree;
6. Declaration on availability to held the interview in remote (https://www.unive.it/pag/28830) to be send via email at the following address: simar@unive.it;
7. 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;
8. All documents, qualifications and publications relevant for the selection procedure (please, see the notice http://www.unive.it/data/28825/).

All the schemes of the quoted documentation are available on the website http://www.unive.it/pag/28830.

Incomplete applications will be rejected

How to submit your application
Applications should be submitted by the online procedure, available on the notice webpage http://www.unive.it/data/28825/

by inserting their Italian Tax Code. Foreign citizens not yet in possession of the Italian Tax Code can use the following link [https://apps.unive.it/utils/cf](https://apps.unive.it/utils/cf) to obtain a temporary one and be able to proceed with the request.

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 2024-01-08, h. 12:00 noon – local time.

If the deadline is on Saturday or on holidays, the deadline is extended to the first working day thereafter.

Please note:
- The candidate can contact the University for any support until 24 hours prior to the deadline.
- 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;
- 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 selection will take into account the cross-cutting priorities of the PNRR in relation to generational, gender and territorial equal opportunities*

The interview will held in remote only. Further details on how to connect online will published on the web page alongside the convocation notice.

The interviews will take place telematically between 2024-01-18, from 2.00 PM.

The short-list of the candidates admitted to the interview and the exact date of the interview, or any postponement, will be published on the University’s webpage on 2024-01-15 (http://www.unive.it/data/28899/).

Interview Topics

The interview, which will be held telematically, on the following subjects:

- Knowledge of methodologies and scientific literature on the topics covered by the call
- Knowledge of STATA
- Previous experience in micro-data analysis for causal policy evaluation analysis
- Potential previous experience in data collection

During the interview, knowledge of ENGLISH will be assessed if the candidate is Italian and of ITALIAN if the candidate is a foreigner.

*The recruitment will be sensitive to the cross-cutting priorities of the PNRR in relation to generational, gender and territorial equality of opportunity*

**Scientific products**

The research fellow, at the end of his/her activity must also provide the department with the following scientific products:

- Report on the data collected and on the validation of the variables based on the comparison with existing surveys;
- Scientific contribution to the production of at least one working paper

**Information and contacts**

Candidates may find further details about the application process and the research project in the official call published on the following webpage [http://www.unive.it/data/28825/](http://www.unive.it/data/28825/)

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