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Research fellowship on “Study of the Attic dialect and intimations of Atticism in the Hellenistic age”, 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: **“Study of the Attic dialect and intimations of Atticism in the Hellenistic age”**, Academic discipline: L-FIL-LET/02 Greek Language and Literature, Tutor prof.ssa Olga Tribulato, within the ERC-2019-Consolidator Grant Project entitled “PURA - Purism in Antiquity: Theories of Language in Greek Atticist Lexica and their Legacy”, Grant Agreement n. 865817, CUP: H72F20000150006.

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

The research programme will concern the reception of Attic literature in Hellenistic scholarship, in particular the study of the Attic dialect and Attic comedy. The first stage of the research will be aimed at collecting the relevant Hellenistic sources, especially the fragments of Eratosthenes of Cyrene, Aristophanes of Byzantium and Crates di Mallus, also in relation to their reception in the following centuries. The researcher will then be required to draw a comprehensive picture of the ways in which Hellenistic scholarship approached Attic literature, paying special attention to the study of the Attic dialect, with a focus on comedy (especially Old Comedy). The overall aim of the research is to identify whether Hellenistic scholars, alongside the definition of various chronological stages within the Attic dialect, also pursued prescriptive or proscriptive purposes, thus perhaps advocating some form of purism that anticipates Atticism. The researcher will be also required to contribute to the Digital Encyclopedia of Atticism, the digital resource of the PURA project.

Who can apply

Prospective candidates are expected to hold a PhD in Greek philology and appropriate academic and professional CV.

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: 18 months (approximately starting: 1st September 2021).

Stipend: The research fellowship total amount is **29.050,50** Euros, including taxes and social charges.

Deadline for submission of applications: 06th July 2021, 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;
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://apps.unive.it/domandeconcorso-en/accesso/dsu-7-2021>

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 **06th July 2021, h. 12.00 noon (Italian time)**.

Please note that the University can be contacted for any support needs by the candidate by 05st July 2021, 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 in the field of Greek philology and diachronic linguistics, with a focus on erudition, especially of the Hellenistic age, applied to Attic literature and its language, with a preference for comedy. Forthcoming publications will be assessed if already at proof-stage (publisher's version) or accompanied by a letter of acceptance on the part of the publisher;
- b) experience in digital projects and/or digital teaching and/or knowledge of specific digital programmes;
- c) attached 'preferential securities', if the candidate possesses them - see Article 5;
- d) 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:

- Excellent knowledge of the development of Greek philology and erudition in the Hellenistic period, in particular with regard to the study of Attic poetry, especially comedy (with a focus on Aristophanes);
- Knowledge of linguistic and grammatical approach of ancient scholars to the Attic dialect and the emergence of linguistic theories that anticipate, in various ways, Atticism;
- Knowledge of the transmission of Hellenistic scholarship in later periods, and especially its relationship with Atticist lexicography with a focus on the role of Hellenistic scholarship in the transmission of Attic comedy and on the channels through which later lexicographers may have drawn on this tradition (ex. fragments of Old Comedy);
- Experience in digital methodology and programmes, useful to the mark-up the lexicographic cards and their transfer into the digital interface;
- Knowledge of the English language;
- Italian language proficiency (for foreign applicants).

At the end of his/her research activity, the research fellow is required to provide the Department with:

- A wide-ranging chapter, which will be included in the first volume of the monograph produced by the PURA project, devoted to the study of the Attic dialect and Attic literature in the Hellenistic period, with particular attention to the interpretation of comedy and its later transmission, and the interaction of Hellenistic scholarship with the linguistic theories expressed in Atticist lexica;
- Ca. 10 lexicographic analyses of lemmas from the Atticist lexica concerning Attic comedy, in particular Old Comedy;
- Digital mark-up and editorial work on ca. 100 lexicographic slips produced by the PURA research group, to be uploaded into the Digital Encyclopedia of Atticism between the end of 2021 and mid-2023.

Selection procedure

The interview will be held on **19th July 2021, h. 9.30 a.m.** The interview will be held in remote (with Zoom). The short-list of the candidates admitted to the interview, or any postponement, will be published on the University's webpage on **12th July 2021** ([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