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**Research fellowship on “Cultural Labs of Faith in the mid-twentieth century: «La Civiltà Cattolica» (1931-1959) and «Aggiornamenti sociali» (1950-1957)”, 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: “**Cultural Labs of Faith in the mid-twentieth century: «La Civiltà Cattolica» (1931-1959) and «Aggiornamenti sociali» (1950-1957)**”, Academic discipline: M-STO/07 History of Christianity and of Churches, tutor prof. Giovanni Vian, financed by the PRIN 2020 project “The production of popular religious culture in Italy from Unity to second postwar period”, (Prot. 2020TCFPK2), CUP: H73C20000040001.

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 history of the Jesuits in Italy allows us to grasp the complex transformation of Catholicism in the mid-twentieth century, between perspectives of continuity and ferments of renewal. The comparative study, as a contribution to the understanding of the activity of the Society of Jesus in Italian society, of the following periodicals is required:

- (a) "La Civiltà Cattolica", studied from the inside as a place of production of Catholic culture, in the years 1931-1959, through the analysis not only in its public outcomes, but also - as far as the sources will make it possible - in its internal functioning;
- b) "Aggiornamenti sociali", a monthly magazine that, since its launch in 1950 by the Jesuits of the Centro San Fedele of Milan, shows, already in the title and in the communicative techniques adopted, the choice to explore the dynamics taking place in society. The period of Antonio Toldo's direction, from 1950 to 1957, will be studied.

### Who can apply

Prospective candidates are expected to hold:

- Ph.D. in History or equivalent title, with a thesis on the history of Christianity in the contemporary age, 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:** 36 months (starting: 19<sup>th</sup> May 2022).

**Stipend:** The research fellowship total amount is **58.101,00** Euros, including taxes and social charges.



**Deadline for submission of applications: 28<sup>th</sup> March 2022, 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-7-2022>**

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 **28<sup>th</sup> March 2022, h. 12.00 noon (Italian time)**.

Please note that the University can be contacted for any support needs by the candidate by 27<sup>th</sup> March 2022, 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 with reference to the history of the Christianity and Christian Churches in the contemporary age;
- b) documented experience in the field of research on Christianity in the contemporary era, in public and private institutions (attested by contracts, research grants, scholarships) both in Italy and abroad;



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- 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:

- Aptitude for researching in the area of Christianity studies in the contemporary era.

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

- One original scientific article related to the research project.

### **Selection procedure**

The interview will be held on **21<sup>st</sup> April 2022, h. 9.30 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 at least on **14<sup>th</sup> April 2022** ([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](mailto:ricerca.dsu@unive.it)