



**Research fellowship on “Multimodality in the Babylonian Cadastral Maps: form, function and lexicon” – Department of Humanities Ca' Foscari University of Venice**

(Italian law 30 December 2010, n.240, art. 22 and subsequent amendments and additions)

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#### Description

The Department of Humanities at Ca' Foscari University of Venice invites applications for a fellowship in: “**Multimodality in the Babylonian Cadastral Maps: form, function and lexicon**”, **Academic discipline: L-OR/03 Assyriology, duration 23 months, tutor prof. Paola CORÒ**, financed by the PRIN 2022 PNRR - Missione 4 “Istruzione e Ricerca” del Piano Nazionale di Ripresa e Resilienza ed in particolare la componente C2 – investimento 1.1, Fondo per il Programma Nazionale di Ricerca e Progetti di Rilevante Interesse Nazionale (PRIN), project “Mapping and Annotating Plots (MAP): the Multimodality of Cadastral Plans in Antiquity (Babylonia and Rome)” (codice progetto P2022SH5BM), CUP: H53D23010270001, Principal Investigator prof. Paola CORÒ.

#### Abstract

The research develops in the framework of the MUR PRIN 2022 PNRR project P2022SH5BM - Mapping and Annotating Plots (MAP): the Multimodality of Cadastral Plans in Antiquity (Babylonia and Rome), which aims at exploring annotated maps through the lens of multimodality, whose potential for a better understanding of the mechanisms and procedures underpinning the production of this documentary class and the administrative context whence they stem will be tested here for the first time. Babylonian Cadastral maps are the object of the research carried out by the Venice unit of the project. Supervised by the PI, the candidate is expected to contribute to collect the evidence and help in the re-edition of relevant materials (Late-Babylonian filed plans); study the level of the literacy, accuracy, and know-how of the scribes/surveyors who produced cadastral maps on the basis of paleography, epigraphic indicators and the study of the multimodal characteristics of the texts; map the lexicon used, also in connected documents and actively contribute in building and testing the digital platform that will be created for the visualization of the data; contribute to the project's life in all its aspects (meeting, brainstorming, dissemination, publications).

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 Ca' Foscari University of Venice.

Prospective candidates are expected to hold **a master's degree with dissertation in Assyriology and a suitable scientific / professional track record demonstrating the candidate's familiarity with 1st mill B.C. documents**

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:** 23 months (approximate starting date: 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024)

**Stipend:** The research fellowship amounts to **46,600 Euros**, including taxes and social charges.

**Deadline for submission of applications:** 11<sup>th</sup> December 2023, h. 12.00 noon (Italian time).

#### How to apply:

Candidates shall 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](#)); a declaration must be appended in the footnote of the curriculum, pursuant to the Italian DPR 445/2000 and subsequent amendments and additions, that the information provided corresponds to the truth. Moreover the candidates have to consent to the use of their personal data for the purposes of this selection procedure pursuant to the Italian Legislative Decree 196/2003 and to the EU Regulations 2016/679;
3. The attachments called "obligations and understanding" and "participation and compatibility";
4. All documents, qualifications and publications relevant for the selection procedure (please, see the notice - [link](#));
5. A copy of a valid identity document (either Identity Card or Passport);
6. (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;
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. Declaration on availability to held the interview in remote ([Link](#)) to be send via email at the following address: [ricerca.dsu@unive.it](mailto:ricerca.dsu@unive.it) (email object: Research Fellowship on "Multimodality in the Babylonian Cadastral Maps: form, function and lexicon" – PRIN 2022PNRR CORÒ project)

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

**Incomplete applications will be rejected.**

### 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/2023-dsu-ar-27>

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 on **11<sup>th</sup> December 2023, h. 12.00 noon (Italian time)**.

Please note that the University can be contacted for any support needs by the candidate until 7<sup>th</sup> December 2023 (h. 1 p.m. Italian time).

Please note that in case of a 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.

The following qualifications are considered as evaluation criteria:

- a) PhD or completion of a PhD pending title (with dissertation consistent with SSD L-OR/03)
- b) list of publications consistent with SSD L-OR/03;
- c) electronic submission of a maximum of 3 publications consistent with SSD L-OR/03 (in PDF format);
- d) Post-graduate degree and post-graduate training certificates obtained in Italy or abroad;

performance of documented research activities with public or private entities with contracts, scholarships or assignments, in Italy or abroad, with particular reference to SSD L-OR/03;

- e) attached 'preferential securities', if the candidate possesses them - see Article 5 of the competition available in Italian ([link](#));
- f) any other element provided for the announcement, to the articles 2, 3 and 5 of the competition available in Italian ([link](#)).

The interview aims to assess the candidates' skills and expertise on the following subjects:

- Knowledge of the problematics related to Late-Babylonian documents;
- Knowledge of Akkadian;
- Knowledge of English language.

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

- **Text editions;**
- **Input of data for the construction of the digital platform;**
- **One article on a project-related topic;**
- **Participation in dissemination activities.**

### **Selection procedure**

The interview will be **on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2023, h. 2:00 p.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 14<sup>th</sup> December 2023 ([link](#)).

### **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 Department of Humanities - Research Office, e-mail: [ricerca.dsu@unive.it](mailto:ricerca.dsu@unive.it) (email object: Research Fellowship on "Multimodality in the Babylonian Cadastral Maps: form, function and lexicon" – PRIN 2022PNRR CORÒ project).