

Decision of the Coordinator of the Temporary Centre “Project CHANGES”

Call for n. 1 Short Research Fellowship - Ca' Foscari University of Venice– Temporary Centre “Project CHANGES”

(L. 240 del December 30th 2010, art. 18, DL 19/2012; Regulations about Short Research fellowships issued under D.R. 300/2014 of 14/04/2014 and subsequent amendments and additions)

The present document in English is to be considered as a mere translation of the provisions of the call which is available in Italian at the following [link](#). The text in Italian is the official text of the notice of competition for all legal intents and purposes and, in the event of non-conformity with the present document, it shall prevail.

The Temporary Centre “Project CHANGES” of Ca' Foscari University of Venice, having regard to the Decision of the Coordinator of the Temporary Centre “Project CHANGES” Rep. n.318/2025, Prot. n.302353/2025 of 27/11/2025 establishing the research programmes for awarding of the short fellowships in “**Italian Film Festivals as Sites for the Preservation of Material Heritage**” lasting **12 months**, with the possibility of renewal within the limits of art. 4 of the Regulations for awarding university short research fellowships. The expected starting date is indicatively from **January 2026**.

The research fellowship is awarded for the purpose of collaboration with the following research programme of the Temporary Centre “Project CHANGES”- **abstract**:

The literature on film festivals has tended to analyze these events as spaces of political negotiation, as cultural and economic devices, and as sites for the production of immaterial and ephemeral heritage. What is still lacking, however, is a robust methodological tradition devoted to the materials produced by festivals and addressed to festivals—their primary sources. By way of example: statutes and regulations, catalogues, posters, photographs, layout plans and exhibition designs, budgets, reports, archival and bibliographic holdings. The research fellowship aims to help fill this gap, aligning with the most recent initiatives to inventory, document, describe, digitize, and make available to scholars, curators, and programmers the documentary sources for the history of Italian cinema (censorship, film criticism, etc.).

On the one hand, the successful candidate will conduct a thorough survey of the types of sources available and their historiographical characteristics; on the other, they will map all festival institutions as well as public and private bodies (archives, film libraries, libraries, private collections) that preserve and provide access to documentary materials, in order to give them visibility and network documents that would otherwise be inaccessible and rarely studied. Throughout the research, it will therefore be necessary to engage with the parties currently active and attentive to the preservation of their own heritage.

The project falls within Italy's National Recovery and Resilience Plan (PNRR), Mission 4 "Education and Research" – Component 2 "From Research to Business" – Investment 1.3, Extended Partnership "Changes," topic "5. Humanities and cultural heritage as laboratories of innovation and creativity," identification code PE 00000020 (CUP no. H53C22000850006), title "CHANGES – Cultural Heritage Active Innovation for Sustainable Society", Spoke 2. It shares the goals of strengthening the national ecosystem of training, research, and technology transfer in the cultural heritage sector, and of promoting digital transition and sustainable practices of protection and enhancement. Within this framework, the documentary strand on festivals—together with others developed in the field of cinematic archival culture—can contribute to the creation of stable public–private models for the management and enjoyment of cultural heritage. require active engagement with stakeholders currently committed to preserving their heritage.

The research fellowship amounts to Euro 20.040,00, gross to the recipient.

Deadline: 15th December, 2025. In case the deadline is on Saturdays, Sundays or on holidays it is extended to the first working day thereafter.

Rules of eligibility – Beneficiaries

Citizens belonging to European Union member states and non-community citizens in possession of the following qualifications may take part in the selection: People with master's degree (or equivalent) and an adequate scientific and professional CV are eligible.

Applicants must hold all the requisites within the call deadline. The qualifications will be evaluated by a Commission that examines the eligibility and qualifications of the candidates and makes a merit rank of them.

Skills required

- Documented training in the history of cinema and in particular in film festivals;

Any other evaluable qualifications

- Research PhD in Film & Media Studies (PEMM 01/B);
- Experiences in archival research, database implementation, and familiarity with historical-cultural study methodologies.

Incompatibility

The short-term research fellowship may not overlap with:

- a) other scholarships granted in any capacity, apart from those granted by national or foreign research institutes in order to integrate with periods abroad the specific activity foreseen by the work plan of the appointed fellow;
- b) attendance of PhD courses with scholarship and medical specialization, in Italy and abroad;
- c) research grants “assegni di ricerca”

Fellowship holders may carry out self-employed work or occasional or permanent collaborations, as long as this is coherent with the ongoing research, upon approval and on the condition that:

- does not involve a conflict of interest with the specific research activity carried out;
- does not prejudice the university, in relation to the activities carried out.

Subordinate employment contracts holders, in addition to obtaining permission by the university, must provide the authorization of their employer.

In the specific case that the subordinate employment contract started prior to the awarding of the fellowship, compatibility with the existing employment will have to be assessed; if the assessment yields a negative result, the short research fellowship will not be awarded; in the case of a positive result, the successful candidate will have to provide the authorization of his/her employer within 15 days.

In the event that the subordinate employment contract will start once the fellowship is ongoing, the successful applicant is required to notify this change at least 30 days before the start of the employment contract for an assessment of compatibility; if the assessment is negative, the fellowship will cease by the start of the employment contract; in the event of a positive outcome, the successful applicant must provide the authorization of his/her employer within 15 days.

The awarding of the short-term research fellowship does not imply the establishment of any employment contract, nor does it give rise to any rights of access to positions of employment at the university.

How to apply

Candidates should submit:

1. The application form;
2. Applicants must declare in the application, under their own responsibility:
 - educational qualification held;
 - the possession of a residence permit valid at the deadline of short research fellowship, in case he/she is a non-European citizen residing in Italy;
 - that they understand that the short-term research fellowship is not compatible with the positions referred to in Art. 12 of the present Regulations and current legislation;
 - to be medically fit to discharge his/her duties for the fellowship;
 - not to have received measures restricting personal freedom at the time of submitting the application;
 - not to have a degree of kinship or affinity, up to and including the fourth degree, with any professor belonging to the department or facility issuing the call or with the

Rector, the General Manager or a member of the University Board of Directors and that they are aware of the provisions of the Law no 240/2010, Art. 18, para. 1, letter b);

- any benefit under L. 104/92.

3. A CV in European format (<http://www.unive.it/data/28900/>), duly dated and signed.
4. A copy of a valid identity document (e.g. Identity Card or Passport).
5. All documents, qualifications and publications relevant for the selection procedure.

How to submit your application

Applications, together with all the required documentation, have to be submitted exclusively online at the following webpage: <https://apps.unive.it/domandeconcorso-en/accesso/changes15122025ifestivalcinema>

not later than **noon time (12:00 Rome CET) 15th December, 2025**.

The candidate, after the uploading, will receive a submission number and an e-mail acknowledging receipt of their application. The candidate, if necessary, could access the procedures for updating any data and materials through the link and submission number provided in the e-mail until the call deadline expires.

Please note that the University can be contacted for any support needs by the candidate until 24 hours prior to the deadline. For further information please contact the email address changes_pnrr@unive.it.

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.

Incomplete applications, those without the required data and the compulsory attachments will not be taken into consideration. Furthermore, the applications which, for any reason, reach this University beyond the deadline indicated above cannot be accepted.

The declarations made in the application shall be considered issued in accordance with the DPR no. 445/2000 and subsequent amendments, by candidates entitled to use the simplified administrative certifications permitted by the above decree.

Selection and Evaluation Procedure

The selection is made by assessment of the scientific-professional qualifications of the candidates and interview, by a Selection Committee appointed by order of the Coordinator of the Temporary Centre "Project CHANGES" taking into account, whereas possible, gender balance.

Interviews will take place online on December 22nd, 2025 at 09.30 (CET).

The list of candidates admitted to the interview, the timetable, together with notice of any postponements, or the time of the interview, will be announced on **December 18th, 2025** by means of a notice that will be published

at the following [link](#). **It's the candidate's responsibility to check the admission results and, if admitted, to show up at the required date and time.**

The Commission compiles a ranking and specifies the winning applicant, having regard to the score appointed to experience and qualifications, as specified by the call. In the event of two or more candidates obtaining the same score at the end of the selection, the younger candidate will be preferred.

Awarding of the short research fellowship

Having received the selection documents, and at the outcome of the checks, the Director approves, by his own decree, the classification and the selection procedure reports and makes them public.

Notification, including the start date of the short-term research fellowship, shall be sent to the winning candidate.

The winner must accept the short-term research fellowship within seven days of receipt of the written notification referred to above, under penalty of revocation. In the event of withdrawal, the short-term research fellowship shall be awarded to the next available candidate, following the order of the final ranking of merit.

Publication of the results of all the selection phases shall be published in the online University notice board, on the University website (<https://www.unive.it/data/28824/>).

Access to the selection documents is guaranteed pursuant to the law of August 7th 1990, no. 241 and subsequent amendments and additions and relative internal implementation regulation.

Processing of personal data

Personal data provided by the candidates in their applications for participation in the selection procedures, are processed pursuant to the legislative decree of June 30th 2003, no. 196 and subsequent amendments and additions to EU Regulations 2016/679. Comprehensive information on personal data processing can be found [here](#).

Person in charge of the procedure

Pursuant to the provisions of art. 5 of the law of August 7th 1990, no. 241 and subsequent amendments and additions, the person in charge of the administrative procedure for this selection is Dario Pellizzon, Director of CENTRO EROGAZIONE SERVIZI DI ATENEO (CESA).

Final provisions

For anything not specified in this call, see the University current regulations regarding the awarding for research fellowships and the current legislation.

Venice, 28th November, 2025

The Coordinator of the Temporary Centre “Project CHANGES”

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