



Call for application for one *Research Scholarship* (Italian law 30 December 2010, n.240)

The present document in English is to be considered as a mere summary of the main provisions of the notice of competition which is available in Italian at the following (<https://www.unive.it/data/28824/>). 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.

HAVING REGARD TO the Article 18, paragraph 5, letter f) of Law No. 240 of December 30, 2010, and subsequent amendments and integrations;

HAVING REGARD TO the Article 21 quinquies of Law No. 241 of August 7, 1990, and subsequent amendments and integrations;

HAVING REGARD TO Article 1 bis, paragraph 2, of Decree-Law No. 45 of April 7, 2025, as amended during conversion by Law No. 79 of June 5, 2025, which came into force on June 7, 2025, and which, in Article 4, paragraph 3, of Law No. 210 of July 3, 1998, abolished the favorable tax regime for short-term research fellowships post-graduation, establishing the application of IRPEF and IRAP taxes on such short-term research fellowships;

RECALLED the Regulation for the establishment of short-term research fellowships for post-graduate activities pursuant to Article 18 of Law No. 240 of December 30, 2010, issued with Rectoral Decree No. 300/2014 of April 14, 2014, and subsequent amendments and integrations;

HAVING REGARD TO the Cooperation Agreement between the Institute for Finance and Local Economy Foundation (IFEL) and Ca' Foscari University—Department of Economics—on the topic of municipal financial crises, Rep. No. 171/2026, Ref. No. 106584, dated April 22, 2026, CUP H73C26000350005;

WHEREAS the tax treatment of short-term research fellowships is subject to the legislation in force at the time of granting. Even if not expressly referred to in this notice, the applicable tax regime will be that provided for by current legislation pro tempore

Description

The Department of Economics at Università Ca' Foscari Venezia invites applications for one scholarship

Title - Challenges Facing Italian Municipalities.

- **start of the programme:** The research programme envisages the start of the activity approximately in October 2026
- **scientific coordinator and tutor:** Prof. Stefano Campostrini
- **duration:** 26,5 months,
- **SSD:** STAT-03/B; **GSD:** 13/STAT-03

abstract:

As part of Line 1, “Maintenance of the Database on the Financial Challenges Facing Italian Municipalities,” provided for in the Cooperation Agreement between the Institute for Finance and Local Economy Foundation (IFEL) and Ca' Foscari University —Department of Economics—on the topic of municipal financial crises, the fellow will collaborate with the research team at the “Governance & Social Innovation” Center to ensure the constant updating of the database on insolvency proceedings and multi-year financial recovery plans for Italian municipalities developed by Ca' Foscari (<https://www.bancadaticomunicf.eu/>). Based in part on the data and information collected through this activity, as part of Line 2—“Development of predictive tools for financial crises in Italian municipalities”—of the aforementioned agreement, the fellow will be required to

develop predictive indicators of financial crises in municipalities, to enable local governments to adopt, where possible, preventive measures and/or appropriate strategies to mitigate the risk of default.

Stipend: The research fellowship amounts to **31.145,12=** Euros gross recipient annual and will be subject to taxation in accordance with the regulations in force. The amount, in deferred monthly instalments, is to be considered inclusive of any costs associated with the performance of the research activity envisaged by the project.

Minimum Application Requirements

Citizens belonging to European Union member states and non-community citizens in possession of the following qualifications may take part in the selection:

Master's degree (or degree under the old system) in economics, statistics, or related fields.

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

- At least five years of experience in research on the financial challenges faced by local governments;
- Knowledge of procedures for managing the financial challenges of municipalities (financial distress and multi-year financial restructuring)
- Previous experience in research, training, and consulting on issues related to local governments
- Knowledge of statistical analysis methods, tools, and software
- Proficiency in Italian to interact with the research team

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Deadline for submission of applications: 2026-10-03, h. 12:00 noon – local time

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 the call for applications, 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 should be submitted here:

<https://apps.unive.it/domandeconcorso-en/accesso/dec-borsacamposifel-17092026>

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/utis/cf> to obtain a temporary one and be able to proceed with the request

The candidate if necessary could access the procedures for updating any data and materials by the link, in any case any updates must be made no later than the deadline **2026-10-03, h. 12.00, noon, local time.**

Selection procedure

The selection is made by assessment of the scientific-professional qualifications of the candidates, by a Selection Committee appointed by order of the Director of the research department taking into account, whereas possible, gender balance.

A Commission summoned by the Director of the Department, who indicates the President of the Commission and the member taking the minutes, will evaluate the applications.

The Commission defines the general evaluation criteria. The qualifications and any other test must ascertain the suitability of the applicant to the research activity. The Commission compiles a ranking and specifies the winning applicant, having regard to the score appointed to experience and qualifications and any other test, as specified by the call.

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.

The Director Decree approving the selection acts and designating the winner and the Report defining the evaluation criteria or any postponement will be notified through the publication, on the University's webpage (<https://www.unive.it/data/12136/>), from **2026/10/06**.

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.

Scientific products

Report on project activities

Incompatibility

The short-term research fellowship may not overlap with:

- 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;

- attendance of PhD courses with scholarship and medical specialization, in Italy and abroad;
- 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 15 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

Information and contacts

For further information please contact Segreteria Amministrativa del Dipartimento di Economia, phone number: 041-2349173; e-mail: simar@unive.it

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 and to EU Regulations 2016/679. Comprehensive information on personal data processing can be found [here](#).

The person responsible for administrative proceedings

In accordance with Art. 5 of Law no. 241 dated 7 August 1990, as amended, the person responsible for the selection process (RPA) is Dott. Silvia Lovatti who can be reached at the Department of Economics, at the e-mail address silvialo@unive.it and telephone no. +39 04102349158

Final provisions

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