



“Mobilities” DiSSGeA Development Project
2026 Visiting Scholars Grant
CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

In the framework of the “Mobilities: A transdisciplinary framework for research, international teaching and public engagement in the Humanities” Department Development Project (PSD 2023-2027), the DiSSGeA (Department of Historical and Geographic Sciences and the Ancient World; hereinafter referred to as “the Department”) has launched a **Call for Applications for Visiting Scholars Grants for the year 2026**. The initiative provides the assignment of positions as Visiting Scholars to professors, researchers, and early career scholars (postdoctoral researchers, lectures, etc.) from international universities or research centres.

Art. 1 – ELIGIBILITY

The present call is addressed to professors, researchers, and early career scholars affiliated to European and non-European universities and research centres. Applicants must spend a period of approximately one (1) month at the Department and its **“Mobility & Humanities” Centre for Advanced Studies (hereinafter referred to as “MOHU”) in the period:**

from 1 April 2026 to 30 June 2027 (with the exclusion of July and August 2026)

Applicants who were awarded a Visiting Scholarship under the previous 2025 call are not eligible to apply.

Art. 2 – IMPLEMENTATION OF ACTIVITIES

During their stay at the University of Padua (hereinafter referred to as “the University”), the Visiting Scholars must contribute to the life of the MOHU by presenting their mobility-based research, taking part in the “Mobility and Humanities” seminar series or giving a didactic seminar at the Degree Courses held at DiSSGeA. During their stay, the Visiting Scholars will have the opportunity to work on their own research and to exchange ideas with MOHU members. To know more about the MOHU Centre, its projects, seminar series, and activities we recommend visiting the website www.mobilityandhumanities.it.

The Department shall grant the Visiting Scholars the use of:

- its spaces, libraries (including off-site electronic resource access, subject to publishers' restrictions), laboratories, instruments, and any other facility necessary to fulfil the planned activities
- UNIPD login and e-mail account at the University to access Unipd services
 - attendance at public lectures and seminars



Art. 3 – FUNDING

The Visiting Scholarship will be funded by the Department through the Department Development Project.

For each Visiting Scholar, the Department will provide a **total net amount of € 2,500.00** to cover the research stay and related activities. The total number of Visiting Scholars funded under this call is **five**.

Taxation and social security contributions will be applied in accordance with current Italian legislation. In the case of non-resident Visiting Scholars, any applicable double taxation agreements between Italy and the scholar's country of residence may apply.

The Department will also provide insurance coverage for accidents and civil liability in accordance with the insurance policies in force at the University of Padua.

Art. 4 – SUBMISSION

Applications must be submitted by professors, researchers and early career scholars of European and non-European universities and research centres, using the provided **Google Form**, together with:

- Curriculum Vitae
- List of academic publications
- Detailed programme of planned activities (see the Application Form, Section C)
- A copy of Passport (or ID Card, for EU citizens only)
- Person of reference at the Department
- Motivation letter, including future cooperation opportunities

Google Form link:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1YcNCFWRY2GF9v16B1NP7UdKEMMi1KXucZKU2G7NmuvM/edit>

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS JANUARY 30TH, 2026 AT 1:00 PM (CET).

Applications submitted through other means or incomplete applications will not be considered.

Art. 5 – SELECTION PROCEDURE

Applications will be assessed by a Selection Committee appointed by the Department's Scientific Committee, who will review the proposals. Assignment will be awarded on merit ranking criteria.

The results of the selection procedure will be communicated to successful candidates no later than March 2026. Selected candidates must communicate their **formal acceptance no later than March, the 20th.** Those who do not respect this deadline will be excluded from the selection procedure.

In case of renouncement of one or two selected Visiting Scholars, suitable candidates will be contacted according to ranking.