

ROME FELLOWSHIPS
ROME SCHOLARSHIPS
ROME AWARDS
2020–21

FOR RESEARCH ON ANY ASPECT OF THE SOCIAL, RELIGIOUS, POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC CULTURES OF THE ITALIAN PENINSULA, AND THEIR WIDER TEXTUAL, VISUAL AND MATERIAL DISSEMINATION AND RECEPTION FROM EARLY PREHISTORY TO THE MODERN PERIOD

THE BRITISH SCHOOL AT ROME is a centre of interdisciplinary research excellence in the Mediterranean supporting the full range of arts, humanities and social sciences. We create an environment for work of international standing and impact from Britain and the Commonwealth, and a bridge into the intellectual and cultural heart of Rome and Italy

A ROME FELLOWSHIP offers:

- board and lodging at the BSR for 9 months (late September 2020–June 2021)
- a research and travel grant equivalent to £550/month

A ROME SCHOLARSHIP offers:

- board and lodging at the BSR for 9 months (late September 2020–June 2021)
- a research and travel grant equivalent to £500/month

A ROME AWARD offers:

- board and lodging at the BSR for an extended period of study in Italy, normally 3 months (either late September–mid-December 2020 or January–March 2021)
- a research grant of £450/month

The BSR acknowledges the support of the British Academy towards its awards scheme.

Closing date for applications: Thursday 16 January 2020

Scheme eligibility

- **Rome Fellowships:** Applicants for Fellowships normally must be within three years of the award of their doctorate at the closing date for applications (so awarded no earlier than January 2017). Applicants who were awarded their doctorate before this should note that progression through other research fellowships or assistantships and teaching posts will not be considered a valid reason for not meeting this criterion. However, someone whose career has been interrupted by, for example, maternity leave, family commitments or illness, will be considered sympathetically. Applicants must be British citizens or must have been awarded their doctorate by a UK university*.
- **Rome Scholarships:** Scholarships will be awarded to successful applicants who intend to submit their doctorate no later than 31 August 2020 but are awaiting their viva and award of the degree. Any such award will be conditional upon this submission criterion having been met. Applicants must be British citizens or must be completing their doctorate at a UK university*. Candidates will not be permitted to take up the award and come into residence unless they have submitted the thesis by 31 August 2020: candidates therefore are advised to be realistic about their work and the submission date.
- **Rome Awards:** Applicants for Rome Awards should meet the eligibility criteria for either a Rome Fellowship or a Rome Scholarship.
- **Rome Awards (donor-funded):** Applicants normally will have begun a programme of research in the general field for which the Award is being sought, whether or not registered for a higher degree. Applicants must be British or Commonwealth citizens; or must be studying or have studied at postgraduate level in a Higher Education Institution* in the UK, having completed by October 2019 not less than four years of residence in the UK.
- Applicants in receipt of an AHRC or equivalent award may receive the title of Award-holder, Scholar or Fellow, and will be allocated a room at the BSR, for which they will be charged at an appropriate rate. The BSR will consider financial support only if AHRC or equivalent award-holders are able to demonstrate that they have exhausted other funding options before applying to receive the full benefit of the BSR award. They must declare the BSR benefit to their other funding body.

Applicants for Rome Fellowships, Rome Scholarships and Rome Awards should note that applications that are solely to revise a thesis for publication, without undertaking additional research whilst in Rome, are unlikely to be successful.

General conditions

1. All applicants must have at least a first degree at the time of application.
2. Proof of nationality and/or residency may be required.
3. Preference may be given to applicants attached to, registered at or working at a university in the UK or the Commonwealth.
4. Applications must be submitted on the appropriate application form.
5. Residencies will be tenable in the academic year (late September–June) 2020–21.
6. The BSR is committed to offering opportunities to the widest possible range of projects and people. Normally two successive awards for the same project will not be considered.
7. Fellows, Scholars and Awardees are expected to abide by the BSR's Research Ethics Policy (<http://www.bsr.ac.uk/site2014/wp-content/uploads/BSR-Research-Ethics-Policy-September-2014.pdf>) and Code of Practice (<http://www.bsr.ac.uk/site2014/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/BSR-Research-funding-and-code-of-practice-app0319-1.pdf>).
8. Fellows, Scholars and Awardees are required to live at the BSR.
9. Partners may be accommodated for strictly limited periods by prior agreement, but must pay for their board and lodging at the BSR's prevailing rates. Children cannot be accommodated.
10. Successful applicants are required to take out medical insurance for the duration of their tenure.
11. Fellows, Scholars and Awardees are required to submit a report on their research within two months of the end of their award, and are requested to keep the BSR informed of future progress. Rome Fellows and Scholars must also prepare a report during their residency.

12. Fellows, Scholars and Awardees are expected to give *Papers of the British School at Rome* first refusal on any papers arising from the research undertaken at the BSR.
13. Fellows, Scholars and Awardees are asked to donate a copy of any publications arising from their research whilst holding a BSR award to the BSR's Library.

The BSR reserves the right to alter any aspect of the Fellowships, Scholarships and Awards.

Selection criteria

In making an appointment to an award the Faculty of Archaeology, History and Letters will assess all applications using the following set of criteria:

1. The academic merit of the applicant judged by his/her previous record and references, including her/his prospects of making a future contribution to scholarship.
2. The suitability of the project for the BSR, bearing in mind its location, current research pathways, resources and access to resources.
3. The inherent academic significance and interest of the project proposed, and the feasibility of completion to the timetable stated.
4. The suitability of the candidate to contribute to the academic community of the BSR and the need to ensure a reasonable balance between different disciplines and chronological periods within the BSR's academic community.
5. The role of the Fellowships, Scholarships and Awards in promoting Italian studies in Britain and the Commonwealth.

Applications for Rome Fellowships, Rome Scholarships and Rome Awards are considered as a single competition.

The Faculty's decisions are final. Feedback cannot be given on unsuccessful applications.

Equal opportunities

The British School at Rome is committed to a policy of equal opportunities in its appointments and awards policy and in the way it offers access to all its facilities and services. The object of the policy is to ensure that no applicant or award-holder is treated more or less favourably than any other on grounds of (for example) race, colour, gender, religion, marital status, social background, disability, and age (except where the conditions of the awards specify otherwise).

Access statement

It is the policy of the British School at Rome to offer full or equivalent access to all users. The BSR aims to support full participation by residents in all aspects of its academic and social life. The BSR is a small institution but will make available its resources, staff and equipment to address the needs of staff, award-holders or visitors with disabilities wherever it can.

Applicants with special needs are requested to contact the Registrar before submitting their application to discuss requirements.

The BSR is registered with the Information Commissioner's Office and adheres to the General Data Protection Registration principles. The BSR's Privacy Policy can be viewed at <http://www.bsr.ac.uk/privacy-policy>. Applicants should be aware that information that they provide will be stored in electronic form. It will be provided to those who assess applications and to staff of the BSR, and will be used to compile published lists of award-holders.

For more information on the BSR: www.bsr.ac.uk

* A UK Higher Education Institution/University is a recognised body for a higher learning institution as defined by the UK government (<https://www.gov.uk/check-a-university-is-officially-recognised/recognised-bodies>).