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**BALSDON FELLOWSHIP
HUGH LAST FELLOWSHIP
2012–2013**

The *Balsdon Fellowship* is offered for research on the archaeology, art history, history, society and culture of Italy, from prehistory to the modern period

The *Hugh Last Fellowship* is offered for research on classical antiquity (excluding archaeological fieldwork and work on Roman Britain)

The Balsdon and Hugh Last Fellowships offer board and lodging at the British School at Rome (BSR) for 3 months (between October 2012 and June 2013)

These Fellowships are open to established scholars, normally in post in a UK university. In addition to pursuing personal research, the Fellows are expected to take an interest in the work of other award-holders at the BSR, particularly those in fields close to their own. They will be requested to give a public lecture.

Closing date for applications: 17 January 2012

General conditions:

1. 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 2011 not less than four years of residence in the UK; or must hold a post in a Higher Education Institution in the UK. Proof of nationality and/or residency may be required. Preference may be given to applicants attached to, registered at or working at a university in the UK or the Commonwealth.
2. Applications must be submitted on the appropriate application form.
3. Residencies will be tenable in the academic year (October–June) 2012–2013.
4. Previous Awardees are not normally offered repeat Awards, but are eligible to apply for a Scholarship or Fellowship.
5. Fellows, Scholars and Awardees are required to live at the BSR.
6. 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.
7. 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 BSR informed of future progress.
8. 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.
9. Successful applicants will be required to take out medical insurance for the duration of their tenure.

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 inherent academic significance and interest of the project proposed (bearing in mind also the feasibility of completion to the timetable stated).
3. The suitability of the project for BSR, bearing in mind its location, resources and access to resources.
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.

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 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 awardee 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 offer its resources, staff and equipment to address the needs of staff, awardees or visitors with disabilities wherever it can.

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

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Situated close to the centre of Rome, the BSR supports:

- residential awards for visual artists and architects
- residential awards for research in the archaeology, history, art history, society and culture of Italy and the Mediterranean
- exhibitions, especially in contemporary art and architecture
- a multidisciplinary programme of lectures and conferences
- internationally collaborative research projects, including archaeological fieldwork
- a specialist research library
- monograph publications of research and our highly-rated journal, *Papers of the British School at Rome*
- specialist taught courses.

The BSR's fine neoclassical building was designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens and is situated close to the Borghese Gardens in a quiet residential area of Rome, with easy access to the centre of the city. It provides living and working accommodation for around 35 scholars and other residents in study-bedrooms, studios and offices laid out around a central courtyard and surrounded on three sides by private open space, including a garden and tennis court.

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