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AT ROME

APPLICATIONS INVITED FOR THE
CHAIR OF THE
FACULTY OF ARCHAEOLOGY, HISTORY AND LETTERS

Applications are invited from those interested in being considered for election as the Chair of the BSR's Faculty of Archaeology, History and Letters (FAHL).

For further information upon the criteria for election and on how to apply, please see <https://bsr.ac.uk/about-us-governance/>.

The closing date for applications is 5.00 p.m. (BST) on **Monday 6 June 2022**.

The Chair of the FAHL should be a scholar active in Italian studies, with a strong scholarly reputation in his or her own field, significant experience in academic assessment and an interest in promoting the work of early career scholars, above all in the multi-disciplinary context provided by the BSR. The Chair should have extensive experience in advisory and administrative roles, and a familiarity with the contemporary challenges their disciplines are experiencing. The term of office is normally for five years and the Chair is expected to be in a position to have the time to contribute to the responsibilities of all Faculty members, as well as those arising from the Chair's *ex officio* membership of the Council (which meets at least three times a year, with one of the meetings normally in Rome) and as a Trustee of the BSR (the duties and responsibilities of Council members can be seen here <https://bsr.ac.uk/about-us-governance/>). Past membership of the FAHL or experience as an award-holder would be desirable but not a necessity.

Duties and responsibilities

The membership's primary duties are to:

- select the recipients of BSR awards within the remit of the FAHL;
- provide a forum for advice to, and a possible consulting source for, both the Council in the formulation of policy and the Director of the BSR in carrying it out;
- provide an academic forum to help validate and promote the work of the BSR;
- advise the Council and the Director on publication policy, the publications programme and the validation of the academic publications of the BSR;

- recommend to the Council for consideration the FAHL's nominations for the posts of the Editor of *PBSR*, the Chair of Publications and the Chair of Archaeology;
- consider the Director's proposals for BSR Research Fellows; and
- undertake such other advisory functions as may be specified by the Council from time to time.

Members of the FAHL (including the Chair) are expected to:

- attend at least two meetings per year (normally in March and November) on a date and place to be appointed by the Chair, in person, by video/teleconference or both. The meeting in November will be jointly held between the Faculty of the Fine Arts and the FAHL;
- participate in the annual selection process at the March meeting of the award-holders, which involves during the period from December to February providing expert assessments of those applications most closely related to each Faculty member's expertise, as well as the overall scoring of all the applications in the light of the entire set of expert assessments (which also includes a second expert assessment provided by the Director and relevant members of the BSR staff);
- engage in discussions to develop the work of the FAHL and the BSR through committees and projects;
- mentor award-holders as set out in the Faculties Mentorship Scheme (as amended from time to time);
- make a FAHL visit to the BSR in Rome at least once during their term of office. This will be two–three nights in order to talk to award-holders about their work, give a talk and/or organise a visit to a site in Rome or its environs. The costs of travel, board and lodging at the BSR will be covered; and
- promote the work and activities of the FAHL and the BSR both within their own institutions or organisations and to the wider public.

Call for applications 2022

The BSR is looking to elect a Chair of the FAHL, as well as four new members.

The term of the current interim Chair (Professor Roey Sweet) comes to an end at the end of December 2022. The new Chair, it is anticipated, will shadow the interim Chair in the period September to December 2022, before taking up the role as Chair and a member of the BSR's Council from 1 January 2023.

The BSR is committed to equal opportunities and values diversity. We particularly welcome applications from people who identify as Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME), or with other protected characteristics, who are currently under-represented on the BSR's committees. The BSR's Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Policy can be found here: https://bsr.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/BSR-Equality-Diversity-and-Inclusion-Policy_.pdf.

Selection process

The candidates will be offered for election by the current members of the Faculty, past members of the Faculty who have completed their term of office within the previous three years, current members of the Council and senior members of the BSR staff (Director, Archaeology Manager, Archivist,

Assistant Director for Archaeology, Head of Research Collections, Registrar and Visual Art Residency & Programme Curator) and the Cary Fellow.

The election will be conducted electronically by the Registrar, using a preferential voting system.

In the event of any dispute with regard to the election, the matter shall be resolved by the decision of the Chair of the Council.

How to apply

Applicants should complete an application form and submit it, together with a *curriculum vitae*, as pdf or Word documents, to the Registrar, at bsr@britac.ac.uk

The two nominators arranged by the applicant should also be asked to confirm their nominations by e-mail to bsr@britac.ac.uk

Please also complete and return the separate monitoring form.

Deadline for submission of application: 5.00 p.m. (BST) on Monday 6 June 2022