



## APPLICATIONS INVITED FOR MEMBERSHIP

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### FACULTY OF ARCHAEOLOGY, HISTORY AND LETTERS

Applications are invited from those interested in being considered for election as a member 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**.

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Members of the FAHL mirror the BSR's commitment to the study of the art, history and culture of the western Mediterranean from prehistory to contemporary Italian studies. In addition, Faculty members comprise scholars active in Italian studies from as wide a range of UK institutions of Higher Education as possible. The Faculty also aims to have one or two members, as appropriate and feasible, from Italian universities. Members have a strong scholarly reputation in their own fields, and significant experience in academic assessment and an interest in promoting the work of early career researchers. Experience of how academic research functions across interdisciplinary fields is of value because of the research-oriented nature of the BSR and its community, which includes practitioners in architecture and contemporary art practices, and is thus by definition cross-disciplinary. They should have some 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 will be extended only in exceptional circumstances. Faculty members are expected to be in a position to have the time to contribute to the responsibilities described below.

#### **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 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

Details of the current membership of the Faculty can be found at <https://bsr.ac.uk/about-us-governance/>

The terms of office of Professor Julia Hillner, Professor Jonathan Prag, Dr Corinna Riva and Professor Paul Gabriele Weston will come to an end in August 2022. There will be four vacancies for new members from 1 September 2022. In order to cover the range of subjects and periods/areas of activity, there is a particular need for applicants this year with expertise in digital humanities, late antique/early medieval studies, nineteenth-century studies and pre-Roman archaeology. (*See separate call for applications for the Chair of the Faculty.*)

Through its membership, the Faculty aim to include representatives from across the UK. It is currently envisaged that those Faculty members whose terms of office will continue in 2022–3 will be from the universities of Bristol, Liverpool, Newcastle, Nottingham, St Andrews, Sussex, Udine and Warwick, and the Scuola Normale Superiore in Pisa.

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](https://bsr.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/BSR-Equality-Diversity-and-Inclusion-Policy_.pdf).

### **Selection process**

The current Chair of the Faculty will be responsible for checking that candidates appear to have the experience and qualifications for the vacancies. Following confirmation and checking, the candidates (grouped according to the particular needs identified in the call) will be offered for election by the current members of the Faculty, 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 and the Faculty.

### **How to apply**

Applicants should complete an application form and submit it as a pdf or Word document to the Registrar, at [bsr@britac.ac.uk](mailto:bsr@britac.ac.uk)

The two nominators arranged by the applicant should be asked to confirm their nominations by e-mail to [bsr@britac.ac.uk](mailto: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**