



## SIMON KEAY AWARD IN MEDITERRANEAN ARCHAEOLOGY 2023–4

This new BSR award, established in 2021 in memory of Professor Simon Keay, is for research on any aspect of Roman archaeology in the Mediterranean. Applications are welcomed in areas of research similar to, although not limited by, work undertaken by Simon, in particular trade, ports, Portus and ceramic studies.

It is a three-month award, which may take the following formats:

- free board and lodging at the BSR for three months, with a monthly research and travel grant

**OR**

- free board and lodging at the BSR for one month, and two months of fieldwork<sup>1</sup> (to be undertaken within a year of the award being made), with a monthly research and travel grant.

**Closing date for applications: Tuesday 28 February 2023**

### Scheme eligibility

- The Award is open to early career researchers. Applicants may be at post-graduate or post-doctoral level. For postgraduates, applicants normally will have begun a programme of research in the general field of the Roman archaeology of the Mediterranean, whether or not registered for a higher degree. Post-doctoral applicants normally will be within three years of the award of their doctorate (i.e. awarded no earlier than February 2020).<sup>2</sup>
- The Award is an open call and is not restricted by nationality, residency or educational affiliation.

### General conditions

1. All applicants must have at least a first degree at the time of application.
2. Applications must be submitted through the BSR's grant management platform:  
<https://bsrome.slideroom.com>

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<sup>1</sup> Fieldwork may include any form of practical work relating to archaeological research, including, but not restricted to, the study of material at sites, non-invasive surveys, consultation of archives and consultation of museum collections, which it is not feasible to do from a base in Rome.

<sup>2</sup> Applicants who have submitted an application for a Rome Fellowship, Scholarship or Award 2023–4 may also apply for the Simon Keay Award, but will need to submit a separate application.

3. The residency period at the BSR will be in the academic year (late September 2023–June 2024).
4. Normally one Award will be offered per academic year.
5. The BSR is committed to offering opportunities to the widest possible range of projects and people.
6. Normally two successive BSR awards for the same project will not be considered.
7. The Awardee is expected to abide by the BSR's Code of Conduct (<https://bsr.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/BSR-Code-of-Conduct-1.pdf>) and any other relevant policies and codes in place at the time of appointment and tenure.
8. Awardees are required to live at the BSR for the agreed one- or three-month period (dependent upon the format of the Award).
9. Family members may be accommodated for limited periods by prior agreement, but must pay for their board and lodging at the BSR's prevailing rates.
10. It is the responsibility of the Awardee to obtain, if required, an appropriate visa and/or rights to live in Italy for the award duration.
11. Successful applicants are required to take out medical insurance for the duration of their tenure.
12. 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.
13. Awardees are expected to give *Papers of the British School at Rome* first refusal on any papers arising from the research undertaken whilst holding an Award. *PBSR* is an open access (green) periodical published by Cambridge University Press. Publication with gold open access can be arranged on payment of an author processing charge.
14. 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 Award.

### **Selection criteria**

The selection panel for this Award includes some members of the BSR's Faculty of Archaeology, History and Letters and three members of the BSR's staff (Archaeology Manager, Assistant Director for Archaeology and Registrar), plus one external member. In making an appointment, the panel will assess all applications using the following criteria:

1. The academic merit of the applicant judged by their previous record and references, including their prospects of making a future contribution to scholarship.
2. The suitability of the project in line with the research interests, broadly speaking, of Professor Simon Keay.
3. The inherent academic significance and interest of the project proposed, and the feasibility of completion to the timetable stated.

The panels decision is final. Feedback cannot be given on unsuccessful applications.

### **Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Policy**

The BSR recognises the value of diversity in all its forms at all levels of the organisation, including at Council level and in its Faculties. Understanding and valuing diversity can result in greater participation and perspectives, including diversity of thought, that can lead to benefits and success at an individual, team, organisational and wider societal level. It also strengthens cultural relations and supports trust between people in different countries. The BSR is committed to respect and fair

treatment for everyone, eliminating discrimination and actively promoting equality of opportunity and delivering fairness to all. The BSR seeks to be a place where all are welcome regardless of their identity or background, and where all can thrive in an inclusive environment that values and celebrates diversity. The BSR wishes to attract people from a broad range of backgrounds, demographics and cultures, and is committed to promoting equality of opportunity, good relations and respect for diversity among all full and part time Staff and other Relevant Persons and eliminating unlawful discrimination in its work environment. The BSR's equality, diversity and inclusion policy can be found on our website ([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)).

For more information on the BSR: <https://bsr.ac.uk/>