



## CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

### THE BALSDON FELLOWSHIP THE HUGH LAST FELLOWSHIP 2024–5

**Closing date for applications: Monday 11 December 2023.**

These fellowships are open to established scholars, normally in post in a UK university.\* In addition to pursuing their own 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, and to contribute to the BSR's programme during their term of residence with a lecture, workshop, or other appropriate event.

*We particularly welcome applications from candidates from groups currently underrepresented at the BSR (including, but not limited to, people from Black, Asian, and other minority ethnic backgrounds).*

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

- Both fellowships offer board and lodging at the BSR for a three-month period between late September 2024 and June 2025.

Applications must be submitted on <https://bsrome.slideroom.com> by Monday 11 December 2023.

*The BSR gratefully acknowledges the contribution of BEIS, through the British Academy, towards its awards schemes.*

#### ELIGIBILITY

1. These fellowships are intended for established scholars, normally in post in a UK university\*.
2. Applicants must be British or Commonwealth citizens; or must have studied at postgraduate level in a Higher Education Institution in the UK.

## GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. Normally two successive awards for the same project will not be considered.
2. Applications must be submitted online, completing the appropriate application forms.
3. Residencies will be tenable between late September 2024 and June 2025.
4. Family members can normally be accommodated for limited periods by prior agreement, but will be asked to pay for their board and lodging at the BSR's prevailing rates. Applicants with caring responsibilities or special needs should contact the Programmes Manager (Courtney Quaintance, [programmes.manager@bsrome.it](mailto:programmes.manager@bsrome.it)) to discuss these directly.
5. We ask that our award-holders take out medical insurance for the duration of their tenure.

## SELECTION CRITERIA

Applications will be assessed using the following criteria:

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

**EQUALITY, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION:** 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. [Read our Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion Policy.](#)

**ACCESS:** It is the policy of the BSR to offer full or equivalent access to all users. Applicants with special needs are requested to contact the Programmes Manager (Courtney Quaintance, [programmes.manager@bsrome.it](mailto:programmes.manager@bsrome.it)) to discuss requirements.

**PRIVACY:** The BSR is committed to protecting your privacy. [Read our privacy policy.](#)

*The BSR reserves the right to alter any aspect of the residencies and competitions.*

*The BSR is a charity registered in England and Wales (no. 314176)*

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\* 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>).