



BSR Resident Fellow

Full Time – Two-year fixed-term Italian Contract

Salary: From €22,000 gross per annum depending on experience
plus board and lodging at no cost to the Fellow

The British School at Rome (BSR) is a transformative interdisciplinary community producing world-class research and practice in the heart of Rome. Inspired by this remarkable city, staff and fellows collaborate across art, architecture, archaeology and the humanities, drawing on deep networks, skills and knowledge to contribute to the intellectual and creative cultures of the UK, Italy and the wider world.

We are seeking to appoint a Resident Fellow, an early-career opportunity for an individual of post-doctoral standing, no more than five years post-PhD, whose research focuses on any aspect of the social, religious, political, and economic cultures of the Italian peninsula—and their wider impact and reception—through textual, visual, or material evidence, from early prehistory to the modern day. We would especially welcome applications from scholars of Archaeology, Architecture, Architectural History and the History of Art. Applicants must have gained a PhD at a UK or Commonwealth University and must have a good knowledge and understanding of the UK's Higher Education and research environment. This is a residential role: a key responsibility of the role will be to support the community of Award Holders (AH) and residents of the School, providing them with appropriate academic mentoring and pastoral care.

Conditions of employment:

The post-holder will be provided with a one-bedroom flat at the BSR., All residential living costs are covered, including meals Monday through Friday. An in-person presence on site is a requirement of this role.

The position is for a fixed-term period of two years, with a possible extension for a third year. Support can be provided for non-EU passport holders to obtain the necessary visa to work in Italy.

Start date: 1 February 2026 or as soon as possible thereafter, allowing for the time needed to obtain necessary immigration paperwork.

The main duties and responsibilities include:

Research (50%)

- Developing and carrying out a research project in a relevant field, with suitable mentoring from BSR academic staff;
- Planning and delivering regular, peer-reviewed publications (including, if relevant, in the *Papers of the British School at Rome*);
- Proactively developing and assisting with the delivery of lectures, workshops and conferences at the BSR in relation to the relevant field of research;
- Contributing to the maintenance and development of existing and new institutional collaborations, in Italy, the UK and the Commonwealth, within the relevant field of research;
- Promoting and supporting key collaborations with UK HEIs, as well as with UK archives and museums;
- Participating, where appropriate, in other related BSR fieldwork and research projects;
- Developing grant funding bids relating to the field of research, with support from the Head of Research Collections.

Community Support (50%)

- Working with other BSR staff in the design and delivery of the BSR's public events, programme;
- Attendance at events on site showcasing current work in all fields represented by the BSR;
- Working regularly with UK Institutions in Rome/Italy, especially Embassies and their staff;
- Working across the network of foreign academies in Rome to build networks and deliver engagement opportunities of benefit to the research community;
- Representing the BSR on committees and boards when requested;
- Being the contact point for BSR residents in case of any need, including out of hours and in emergencies;
- Regular attendance at meals with residents for informal exchange;
- Support with the welcome and orientation programmes each term, working closely with the Programmes Manager;
- Organization of regular trips and visits for residence groups within and beyond Rome;
- Provide general mentoring, assistance and guidance to BSR residents;
- Managing and coordinating doctoral training programmes and other teaching and training opportunities for visiting groups;
- Managing a monthly research seminar series for BSR residents and staff.

Although these are the initial duties of the post, this is not a comprehensive or exhaustive list and may be varied from time to time by the Line Manager in consultation with the post-holder, also taking into account the particular experience and skills of the post-holder.

Main skills and experience desired for the role:

- A completed doctorate in a relevant field, from a UK or Commonwealth institution, and evidence of high-quality publications;
- Good knowledge and understanding of the UK's Higher Education and research environment;
- A track record of administrative experience and event organization, or a commitment to develop these skills;
- Fluency in English and good capacity to communicate in Italian;
- Excellent people and interpersonal skills and confident networker and public speaker;
- Experience of impact and outreach-related activities or a clear commitment to develop this experience;
- Experience of mentoring and supporting early-career researchers and postgraduate students (including peer-to-peer support), or a commitment to develop these skills.

This is an early career position, maximum five years post-PhD, and we are aware that some candidates will not yet have had the opportunity to develop all of the above skills and experience.

General conditions

All data supplied by applicants will be used only for the purposes of assessing their qualifications and determining their suitability for the post. They will be held in accordance with the principles of the General Data Protection Regulation and the BSR's data protection and retention principles. You can find our Privacy Policy here: <https://bsr.ac.uk/privacy-policy>

How to apply

Applications — which should include a letter of application (no more than two sides of A4, explaining how your skills and experience are relevant to this post) and a *curriculum vitae* — should be sent as Word documents or pdfs to HR@bsrome.it. The names of two referees should be supplied. In addition to speaking to the candidate's research profile and academic accomplishments, at least one referee should be able to comment on the candidate's preparedness for the administrative and pastoral duties outlined in the call.

Closing date for applications: 31 October 2025

Interviews will be held in November in Rome or by zoom , depending on where the candidate is based.

Equal opportunities

The British School at Rome is committed to a policy of equal opportunities in its appointments and 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 an award specify otherwise).

You can find our Policies here: <https://bsr.ac.uk/about-us-governance>

Access policy

It is the policy of the British School at Rome to offer full or equivalent access to all users. The School aims to support full participation by residents in all aspects of its academic and social life. The BSR is a small institution but will make available its resources, staff and equipment to address the needs of staff, awardees or visitors with disabilities, wherever it can.