



ALMA MATER STUDIORUM  
UNIVERSITÀ DI BOLOGNA | DEPARTMENT  
OF HISTORY AND CULTURES

## Call for applications for Visiting Professors 2024-2027

### Memory Lab – ‘Territori della Memoria’

#### Department of History and Cultures

#### Art. 1 – Purpose

The University of Bologna departmental centre Memory Lab, established within the Italian Ministry of University and Research ‘Departments of Excellence 2023-27’ initiative and part of the Department of History and Cultures (hereinafter, the ‘Department’), hereby issues this call for applications concerning visiting professors (as defined in art. 2 of the University of Bologna regulation for visiting professors and visiting scholars) positions for professors and researchers coming from abroad, invited to share their research activities, knowledge, methodologies and results.

The call is open to researchers holding a PhD or equivalent that are at a stage of their careers that can be defined in line with the European Research Career Framework as Recognised Researcher and Established Researcher.

Application is open exclusively to candidates appointed in institutions outside Italy, with relevant research experience in the field of memory studies or with a research experience that might fit productively within the centre’s five thematic clusters, namely:

- 1) ‘Trauma and memory’;
- 2) ‘Memory and testimony’;
- 3) ‘Material memories’;
- 4) ‘Memories and political genealogies’;
- 5) ‘Transcultural spaces and memories’.

Visiting professors’ activities will consist in the collaboration with professors and researchers of the Memory Lab, on the topic of memory studies and will be carried out within the Department facilities. Each fellow is expected to teach at least 8 hours of seminars/classes on his/her research activities, to be mainly addressed to Master’s students and PhD students.

Moreover, collaboration can take place via the following activities:

- joint research activity on memory studies, within the five thematic clusters;
- joint organisation of research seminars and workshops;
- drafting of jointly-authored publications.

#### Art. 2 – Budget, duration and remuneration

The total amount of this call for applications to fund visiting professor positions is €80,000.00 to be distributed in 5 intakes. Unused funds from an intake will be made available in the next intake.

The length of the stay shall be between 30 (minimum) and 60 days (maximum), and the period of stay must start within six months from the publication of the final results (see Art. 5). The period of stay shall be continuous.

Visiting professors will be entitled to:



- a gross salary of €5,000.00, covering the whole duration of the stay (notwithstanding the mentioned minimum and maximum time frames);
- access to the facilities and IT resources of the Department of History and Cultures.

The selected visiting professors will have to purchase their airplane ticket, book accommodation and a visa, if necessary.

In addition to the salary, the Department will cover the cost of the outward flight for candidates coming from institutions in low- and middle-income countries (as listed in annex 2).

The salary to be paid to the visiting professor will include any taxes applied to the recipient.

The recipient's exact gross salary will be determined on the basis of his/her decision or refusal (or lack thereof) to take advantage of applicable tax treaties in order to avoid double taxation. The salary will also include the premium for insurance coverage against accidents and third-party liability (called 'RCT' in Italy). The RCT policy will be limited to the activities listed in the invitation letter and that will take place within the university facilities.

### Art. 3 – Application submission: terms and methods

The application must include all required documents and must be sent by the candidates to the e-mail address: [disci.memorylab@unibo.it](mailto:disci.memorylab@unibo.it) by the following deadlines:

Intakes	Applications Deadlines	Final rankings publication	Visiting period
1 <sup>st</sup> intake	30/04/2024	15/05/2024	September – December 2024
2 <sup>nd</sup> intake	15/09/2024	01/10/2024	January-June 2025
3 <sup>rd</sup> intake	31/03/2025	30/04/2025	September – December 2025
4 <sup>th</sup> intake	15/09/2025	01/10/2025	January – June 2026
5 <sup>th</sup> intake	31/03/2026	30/04/2026	September – December 2026

Applications shall be submitted exclusively via e-mail to [disci.memorylab@unibo.it](mailto:disci.memorylab@unibo.it); documents submitted in any other way will not be accepted. The application must include:

- the application form filled in with the personal and professional data of the candidate (annex 1);
- the chosen period of stay;
- a scanned copy of the visiting candidate's valid passport (or ID if EU/EEA/Swiss citizen);
- the visiting candidate's *curriculum vitae et studiorum* and list of publications;
- a letter of intent stating the research area of interest, the planned activities, the proposed theme and abstract of classes/workshops/events of scientific nature/seminars that the candidate shall hold. The selection committee (see Art. 4) reserves the right to contact candidates for further enquiring on the organisation of the activities.



#### **Art. 4 – Award criteria**

The applications will be evaluated by a selection committee appointed by the Head of Department on the basis of the following criteria:

- scientific profile of the candidate;
- originality of the candidate's mobility project;
- relevance of the mobility project with regard to the scientific development objectives of the Department.

Moreover, to encourage and value excellent proposals from younger researchers, in the third, fourth and fifth intakes the committee reserves the right to dedicate at least one place per intake to a candidate who can be classified as a Recognised Researcher according to the European Research Career Framework. If there will be no suitable candidates in such category, all places might be reserved to candidates who can be classified as Established Researchers, according to the committee decision.

The results will be published on the website <https://bandi.unibo.it>.

#### **Art. 5 – Acceptance**

Winners will be notified by e-mail no later than 10 days after the results are published. Within 10 days of receipt of the e-mail, the visiting professor must formally accept the position by sending a confirmation message to: [disci.memorylab@unibo.it](mailto:disci.memorylab@unibo.it). A lack of response within that deadline will be taken as a forfeit of the position.

#### **Art. 6 – Further obligations**

##### Immigration rules and health insurance

The visiting professor's arrival and residence in Italy are regulated by Italian law. It is up to the visiting professor to obtain the visa and all other authorisations, where necessary, to enter into Italy and carry out the activities as described in this call for applications.

The awarding of the visiting professor position does not involve for any right to benefit from the Italian National Health Service. Visiting professors are required to arrange for their health coverage.

##### Safety and health at work

The visiting professor undertakes to comply with the rules and instructions about accident prevention, safety and health protection in the workplace and to attend the appropriate compulsory training courses. Training courses are available [online](#).

##### Ethical Code of Behavior

The visiting professor undertakes to uphold and apply in full the rules of the University Ethical Code of Behavior available on: [www.unibo.it/codiceetico](http://www.unibo.it/codiceetico).

The visiting professor expressly undertakes, for the entire duration of the research period at the University and for five years following its end, not to disclose the Confidential Information and not to make it in any way



accessible to third parties, as well as not to use in any way the Confidential Information for purposes other than those connected with the research activity carried out at the University of Bologna.

Confidential Information are any information, data or knowledge of a technical, scientific, commercial or financial nature, which has economic value as it is reserved, whatever the form of expression or the storage system, which has been communicated to the visiting researcher in the performance of the research programme of this call, even when not specifically and clearly qualified as "confidential" or "secrets".

### Intellectual property

Intellectual property rights over the results achieved by the visiting professor in the execution of activities undertaken on behalf of the Department belong exclusively to the Department, which may freely use them also within agreements made with third parties, without prejudice to the moral rights of the visiting professor, who shall be acknowledged as the author or inventor.

The visiting professor has the right to publish the results of his/her research activities, provided that the publication does not prejudice the rights of the Department over the protection of the results.

### **Art. 7 - Final report and payment**

At the end of his/her stay, the visiting professor shall provide a final detailed report of the activities carried out.

The payment of the visiting professor's salary will be authorised upon verification that the required activities have been fulfilled.

### **Art. 8 – Publication of the call**

This call is published on the website <https://bandi.unibo.it>.

### **Art. 9 – Final provisions**

The University of Bologna Statute and Regulations and Italian law shall apply to all aspects not regulated by this call.

### **Art. 10 – Information notice concerning data processing**

Personal data collected are processed as described in the "Privacy policy for participants in the University's competitive selection procedures" available at: [www.unibo.it/privacy](http://www.unibo.it/privacy).

The information is published in compliance with art. 13 and 14 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (GDPR).

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