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DIPARTIMENTO DI ECCELLENZA

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

2025/2026 DESU Visiting Professors

THE HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATION AND HUMANITIES

DEEMED It appropriate to pursue the internationalisation action already initiated by the Department;

HAVING REGARD to Law No. 232 of 11 December 2016, which provides for the establishment of a "Fund for the financing of University Departments of Excellence";

HAVING REGARD TO the ANVUR ranking of the 180 Departments awarded funding for the five-year period 2023-2027, including the Department of Education and Humanities;

RECALLED the Department of Excellence Project 2023-2027 "*An interdisciplinary research centre for analysing and combating the new illiteracies*", drawn up by the Head of the Department of Education and Humanities, with particular reference to framework D.7 "*Highly qualified teaching activities*" (p. 8), where it is stated that "*Highly qualified teaching will be linked to the development of research and internationalisation by means of: [...] annual call for at least one internationally renowned visiting professor to give lectures at PhD and MSc courses (€ 75,000)*";

RECALLED the Resolution of the Department Board of 10/04/2025;

ASCERTAINED the budget availability on the fund *DESU: DIPARTIMENTI DI ECCELLENZA 2023-2027* (CUP: E83C22006680001);

CONSIDERING the desire to further enhance and incentivise the Master's Degree and PhD courses with administrative headquarters at the Department of Education and Human Sciences;

CONSIDERING the willingness to implement the above-mentioned Department of Excellence Project by awarding a grant to foreign lecturers and researchers with proven teaching experience who are called upon to collaborate with the courses of study in order to carry out teaching activities (lectures, training modules and teaching tenure) in English, subject to specific linguistic requirements related to the courses of study

ISSUES Single Art.

As of the date of publication of this call for application on the University's online notice board, the selection procedure for **no. 1 Visiting Professor Long-Term e no. 3 Visiting Professor Short-Term 2025/26 on the Department of Excellence Project "An interdisciplinary research centre for analysing and combating new illiteracy" of the Department of Education and Humanities (hereinafter referred to as "DESU") is hereby launched.** This call for proposals and its annexes, which form an integral part of it, are also published on the Department of Education and Humanities website - on the page <https://www.unimore.it/en/university/calls/selection-procedure-no-1-visiting-professor-long-term-e-no-3-visiting-professor>

Introduction

The Department of Education and Humanities of the University of Modena and Reggio Emilia promotes the call 2025/2026 DESU Visiting Professor, aimed at implementing the Department of Excellence Project

“An interdisciplinary research centre for the analysis and contrast of new illiteracy” - framework D.7 “Highly qualified teaching activities” (p. 8): “Highly qualified teaching will be connected to the development of research and internationalisation by means of: [...] annual call for at least one internationally renowned visiting professor to give lectures at PhD and MSc courses [...]” - supporting and encouraging the incoming mobility of Professors and Researchers from foreign Universities on Master Degree, Single-Cycle Master Degree and PhD courses that have their administrative headquarters at the Department.

Subject

The Call for applications provides for the assignment of a grant to no. 4 foreign Professors and Researchers, who are called to collaborate with the above-mentioned study programmes for carrying out educational activities (seminars, training modules, teaching subjects) in English, except for specific needs related to the course of study.

The position of Visiting Professor will be offered to foreign Professors and Researchers who in their Universities or public or private research centres hold or have held positions equivalent to those of Full Professor, Associate Professor, or Researcher of Italian universities.

Foreign professors will be able to take on one of the following types of mobility programmes **during the period 22/09/2025 – 29/05/2026:**

- **no. 3 Short-Term Visiting professor** for a 30-day stay (1 month) or
- **no. 1 Long-Term Visiting professor** for a 60- or 90-day stay (2 or 3 months).

During their stay, professors will be able to carry out the following activities:

Short-Term Visit and Long-Term Visit:

- teaching modules that are part of the Study Programme for a total number of hours not lower than 12 hours/month;
- seminars on Study programmes and PhD programmes (at least 4 per month).

The visiting periods shall take place in the a.y. 2025/26 during the university programme in which the educational activities are scheduled.

The Visiting Professor will receive the following remuneration, indicatively:

Short Term Visiting Professor (30 days)

- Full Professor: Gross monthly remuneration: 4,500 euros approx
- Associate Professor: Gross monthly remuneration: 3,600 euros approx
- Researcher: Gross monthly remuneration: 2,700 euros approx

Long Term Visiting professor (60-90 days)

- Full Professor: Gross monthly remuneration: 3,700 euros approx
- Associate Professor: Gross monthly remuneration: 3,000 euros approx
- Researcher: Gross monthly remuneration: 2,200 euros approx.

Eligibility

The call for applications is open to foreign professors and researchers. The application must be written on plain paper using the attached form (**Annex 1**), which is an integral part of the call for application, signed by the applicant and addressed to the Head of the Department of Education and Humanities, viale Timavo 93, 42121 Reggio Emilia. Applications must be submitted by electronically certified e-mail: segreteria@desu@pec.unimore.it no later than 2.00 p.m. (CET) on 27/05/2025.

Applications, documents, qualifications or titles received after the above deadline will not be considered.

The message shall bear the following wording in the subject line: - “PEC - Application for 2025/2026 DESU Visiting Professor Prot. no. (please indicate Name and Surname)”.

The visiting Professor application shall contain:

1. Personal and professional data of the Applicant;
2. Curriculum Vitae of the applicant, which shall include the list of his/her 5 most relevant publications/monographies of the last 5 years, along with his/her participations as speaker at conferences and/or seminars at international level in the last 5 years;
3. A cover letter from a Professor/Researcher of the DESU Department, including a short scientific biography of the Applicant (the list of the Department academic staff members is available here: “<https://www.desu.unimore.it/it/dipartimento/personale-del-dipartimento>”);
4. The reasons to carry out his/her teaching activities in Reggio Emilia, Professors/Researchers of the DESU with whom the applicant wants to collaborate, teaching activities to carry out, methodology and expected results;
5. Plan of the teaching activities that will be carried out during his/her stay;
6. A scanned copy of the Applicant’s passport (or other identity document) in course of validity;
7. Personal data processing authorization (**Ann. 2**).

The Administration reserves the right to verify the truthfulness and authenticity of the information provided.

Economic terms and conditions

Remuneration shall be intended gross of any withholding tax and contributions paid by the recipient, as well as of the travel expenses (outward and return journey), accommodation and board, any expense relating to the issuing of the entry visa and residence permit for non-EU citizens, any health insurance expenses, the premium for the compulsory extension of the “Third party and employer’s civil liability” insurance coverage and any other expenses related to the employment contract.

The foreign recipient will decide whether s/he should request the application of the international agreements against double taxation (Tax Treaty) where applicable, and submit the certification issued by the relevant Authority of his/her own country, proving the tax-payer status, to the University.

Accommodation

The International Welcome Desk of Unimore will provide information/assistance on accommodation facilities both for Modena and Reggio Emilia facilities to anyone requesting it.

Selection mode and assessment criteria

The applications will be assessed by a Department Selection Committee, appointed by the Head of the Department, based on the following criteria:

- Curriculum Vitae of the applicant;

- consistency between the Visiting Professor's university profile and the proposed training activity;
- programme quality of the activities that will be carried out and adequacy of the period of stay;
- consequences of the Visiting Professor's activity compared to the internationalisation strategy of the Department.

Where all other conditions are equal, preference shall be given to the applications of professors with foreign nationality. The Department reserves the right to select a smaller number of candidates if the applications submitted do not meet the excellence requirements.

The winners will be notified of the task assignment by means of a formal email. It is therefore mandatory to indicate an e-mail address in the body of the application. No other means of convocation will be used.

Activity

At the end of the period of stay at the University, the Visiting Professor shall draw up a comprehensive report on the activity carried out, which the hosting structure will send to the International Relations Office. In the event that the host cannot complete part of the activity s/he has been assigned, the remuneration will be reduced proportionally.

In the event of non-compliance, the Visiting Professor will not receive any remuneration and will be excluded from participating in further calls for Visiting Professors published by the Department as part of the Excellent University Departments Project.

Miscellanea

The appointed Visiting Professor shall sign an agreement of occasional professional services with the Department of Education and Humanities in the event of a 30-day stay, or a self-employment agreement for periods longer than 30 days. Any other activity related to the task assigned shall be authorised by the hosting structure with no additional charges borne by the University. The Department of Education and Humanities shall ensure the internal logistics and space accessibility to the Visiting Professor for the entire stay.

The remuneration will be paid on a monthly basis, upon authorisation by the Director of the Department, after verification of the proper performance of the requested activities.

In order to obtain the entry visa, non-UE Visiting Professors shall also sign a specific Hosting Agreement drawn up in accordance with the standard issued by the Ministry of Interior. Said hosting agreement shall not replace the work contract.

All aspects not regulated by this notice are subject to the applicable legal, statutory and regulatory provisions.

Person in charge of the procedure

Pursuant to Art. 4 of Law no. 241 of 7th August 1990 "New rules on administrative procedures and access to administrative documents", the person in charge of the procedure is Prof.ssa Annamaria Contini – email: direttore.educazione@unimore.it

Personal data processing.

Pursuant to Leg. Decree 196/03 and EU Reg. 2016/679, the data acquired by the Department of Education and Humanities - in its capacity of data controller for this procedure - under this call for applications shall

be processed exclusively for the purpose of the proceedings in question. Data will be processed by means of computerised procedures and paper filing.

The Head of the Department of Education and Humanities
Prof.ssa Annamaria Contini
Digitally signed pursuant to Legislative Decree No. 82/2005