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**Title**

Assistant (tenure track) or Associate Professor (tenured) in **Cross Cultural Studies, Comparative Philosophy and Intercultural Dialogue**

**Location**

Department of Asian and North African Studies - Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Italy

**Topic**

Ca' Foscari University of Venice encourages applications of candidates with a strong, innovative research agenda on ethics, intercultural dialogue, questions of tolerance and diversity. In everyday life, it is important to understand the systems of values and beliefs that regulate others' behaviour, in the perspective of mutual respect and human dignity. Inter-cultural dialogue is needed to prevent new tensions in the encounter between cultures and religions that have different conceptions of the self, and therefore different understanding of intimacy, embodiment, private and public space. We seek candidates willing to develop their research on topics related to gender issues, inclusion and diversity in order to address the educational challenges of a globalized and increasingly multi-ethnic society.

**Profile**

The candidate will work closely to the newly established International Center for the Humanities and Social Change, an initiative that Ca' Foscari carries on in cooperation with the University of California at Santa Barbara. She or he should present a strong international curriculum and knowledge of international institutions and organizations like UNESCO, etc. The candidate will contribute to Ca' Foscari University of Venice's academic environment and to the development of global and comparative perspective in the teaching and research programmes.

The candidate will:

- Maintain a productive line of research in comparative studies, preferably with an emphasis on Asian thought;
- Take advantage of external research funding opportunities;
- Contribute to the development and teaching of philosophy courses from a global and comparative perspective, delivering and designing undergraduate and graduate courses in the specific field of comparative philosophy and studies, as well as general topics aligned with worldviews, consciousness, and ethics in the context of global challenges, including thematically and methodologically related courses across Ca' Foscari's English-taught BA and MA programme;
- Development of interdisciplinary research projects which can integrate undergraduate and graduate research, including supervision of thesis



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projects;

- Committee service in academic administration bodies, including interviewing for the annual student admissions cycle and contributing to student recruitment activities;
- Participation in the social and extra-curricular academic life of Ca' Foscari University of Venice.

### **Teaching Duties**

The teaching priorities for the post are handled by the Department of Asian and North African Studies in cooperation with the Department of Philosophy and Cultural Heritage and the International Center for the Humanities and Social Change, and are related to the programs Language, Cultures and Society of Asia and Mediterranean Africa, Languages and Civilizations of Asia and North Africa, and Philosophy, International and Economics Studies.

Regular duties include an annual teaching load of 90 hours at the Assistant level and 120 class hours at the Associate level, corresponding to three-to-four courses (which are normally allocated so as to leave one free term for research work). A reduction of up to 50% of this load can be granted for the first two years of the appointment. Service for the Department includes mentoring students.

The successful applicant should be able to proficiency speak and teach in English at the undergraduate, Master's and doctoral level. She / he is expected to achieve adequate Italian fluency for teaching courses in this language within three years.

### **Salary**

The annual gross salary for the tenure-track assistant professorship is €42.000; for the associate professorship it is in the range €55.000 – €75.000 (gross) depending on academic position and qualification, and according to the standards established by the Italian Public University System. Additional provision for seed research funding will be allocated based on individual negotiation.

Further details about academic positions and career in Italy can be found at the following web page: [http://www.unive.it/nqcontent.cfm?a\\_id=161017](http://www.unive.it/nqcontent.cfm?a_id=161017)

### **Procedure**

Please apply **only** by [www.researchgate.com](http://www.researchgate.com) (insert your complete CV together with a complete list of publications and the contacts of two references, from whom recommendations can be asked). Please include a telephone number with your contact details to ease communication during



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the selection process.

**Applications are accepted only in electronic (PDF) form till September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017.**

All applicants will be informed about the progress of the selection procedure by mid October, 2017, at the latest.

Candidates employed for no less than the past three years at a level corresponding to the position sought, as permanent faculty members in an academic institution outside Italy, will be considered for direct recruitment<sup>1</sup>.

All other candidates will have to apply to a public tender, as required by the Italian regulation for academic employment.

We expect to fill the positions by Spring 2018.

Ca' Foscari University of Venice is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer and encourages applications from women and minorities.

For any questions, please contact our HR Offices at [recruitment@unive.it](mailto:recruitment@unive.it)

### **Application**

<https://www.researchgate.net/job/894797> Assistant tenure track or Associate Professor tenured-Cross Cultural Studies

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<sup>1</sup> Please refer to the table at the following URL

[http://www.unive.it/media/allegato/AREA%20RICERCA/Equivalences\\_2016.pdf](http://www.unive.it/media/allegato/AREA%20RICERCA/Equivalences_2016.pdf) to verify

the equivalence of your current position and the one advertised by the present call, which corresponds to those listed in column "Grade b" (tenured Associate Professor).

Complying with the current Italian legislation, Ca' Foscari will have to received approval by the Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research to complete the hiring process.