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G@V Info session – 12 May 2021

Q&A

ELIGIBILITY

- 1. What kind of documents do you require from applicants for eligibility on the mobility rule?**
We do not require you to submit any evidence at time of application, but we ask you to state where you had your main activity (study, work..) over the last 3 years, on the question about Mobility in the online form.
- 2. I was supposed to start my job abroad but because of the pandemic situation in 2020 I ended up working remotely from Italy. Am I eligible?**
There is an additional box in the online application form, where we ask applicants to give more information about this. We can be a bit flexible as far as 2020-2021 is concerned, but if you worked remotely from e.g. Italy and were supposed to be in another country during this time, we need you to have regular contracts that can demonstrate this.
- 3. I recently submitted my PhD thesis. Due to COVID situation it is not certain to do my final examination before the application deadline. Would it be possible to submit a letter to make certain that I will receive the PhD degree before the fellowship commences?**
Unfortunately not. To be able to apply you must have defended your PhD thesis by 30 June 2021.
- 4. Regarding the requirement of having obtained the PhD before 30 June 2021, by this do you take into account the date of the deposit of the dissertation or or it means the applicants need to have a degree in hand?**
You must have defended your Phd by that date. If you have not received the PhD Certificate yet, we would need you to provide us with a letter from your university confirming this.
- 5. I will submit my PhD thesis in May 2021, can I still apply even though I will not have the PhD degree in hand by the application deadline?**
To be able to apply you must have defended your PhD thesis by 30 June 2021. If you have not received the PhD Certificate yet, we would need you to provide us with a letter from your university confirming this.

RESEARCH BUDGET

- 6. Is it possible to use the research budget for collaborations, for instance to sign a contract with a graphic illustrator or an artist for dissemination/communication activities within the project?**
As a general rule, it is possible to use the research budget for this. This will have to be discussed and approved by the department and the research office and would have to happen according to the University rules on the personal research budget.
- 7. In addition to the gross salary amount, a personal research budget (max 800€ per month) managed by the relevant Department will be available for research activity, training, publications and workshops - can this be supplemented in case we require expensive spectroscopic analyses?**
Fellows can request up to 800 Euros/month for the 24 months of duration of the fellowship (19.200 Euros in total). This must be used for research related activity and cannot be increased.



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8. Does the research office at UNIVE provide some feedback or review support of the application prior to submission?

Unfortunately, we cannot provide applicants with feedback on their applications, since this is a call managed by Ca' Foscari. We can offer support on general issues and information on the call.

9. Would having applied for this first round of applications prevent unsuccessful candidates from applying again in the second round?

No, it does not. You can make an application for the 2021 call, and if you are unsuccessful this time, you can apply again next year.

10. When can my contract start if I'm selected for the G@V Programme? Will the start date of my contract be flexible?

The G@V 2021 call is for projects to start in or around March 2022. If Fellows need to postpone the beginning of their Fellowship, this is certainly something we can discuss.

11. Can I apply for G@V and another funding programme at the same time?

Yes, you can apply for more than one funding at the same time, but if you are successful on more than one application, you will have to make a decision as G@V Fellowship cannot be held simultaneously with other fellowships or grants, and we expect Fellows to be employed full time on the Global at Venice project.

SUPERVISORS

12. In case we can't find a supervisor matching our research interests or they don't write back, can we leave this information blank?

In this case you can leave the relevant field blank in the online application form. If you are awarded a fellowship, the Scientific Advisory Board will choose a Supervisor whose work and interests are close to your project.

13. I kindly would like to ask if the applicant should receive an acceptance letter from the supervisor before application?

Applicants do not need to receive an acceptance letter from their supervisor, they just need to get in touch with them to make sure they would be available to act as a supervisor in case applicants are successful.

14. Am I correct about being able to choose any supervisors and not only the ones outlined on the fellowship website? That's correct. You can either choose a supervisor from the list of Professors that have completed an [Expression of Interest](#) or you can contact any other professor at Ca' Foscari. The supervisor must be internal to Ca' Foscari.

15. Do we approach our chosen supervisor directly prior to putting in an application?

It is recommended, both from an applicant and a Supervisor perspective, but it is not mandatory.

16. Hello, a question: should supervisors be involved in writing the proposal as in MSCA individual fellowships?

No, they should not. This does not mean that you cannot explain and discuss your project with them when you get in touch to check their availability to act as a supervisor, but they should not be involved in writing the proposal.



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SECONDMENTS

- 17. I saw a list of wonderful research/industry partners on your website. Is it also possible to collaborate with other departments within or outside of the university (i.e. School of Economics, Languages and Entrepreneurship for Global Trade (SELISI)) etc?**

Yes it is. It is possible to propose research/industry partners that are not on our website. If you are awarded a Fellowship, these collaborations/secondments will have to be approved by your supervisor and the research office, but this is definitely something that you can include in your proposal or consider later, and something that definitely we can discuss.

- 18. If in the project we plan to conduct field research outside Italy and it would be beneficial to also do a secondment in this other country, can we do this even if the secondment is not at one of the Ca Foscari strategic partners?**

Yes, you can. This is a learning through research fellowship and we expect fellows to spend the majority of their time in Venice, but field research and secondments outside Italy are possible, if this is key to the project.

- 19. Can the secondment/research training take place at a partner university and not only at an industry partner?**

Yes, they can. If the nature of your project requires you to spend time at a partner university rather than at an industry partner, it would be possible for you to do so.

MISCELLANEOUS

- 20. What kind of training will it be offered to Fellows at Ca'Foscari?**

The full list of training activities can be found [here](#), in the *Why to apply?* paragraph.

- 21. Will applicants be informed by email of the results of the application process?**

Applicants will be informed by email about the outcome of each stage of the selection process. Results will be published on the website, in the *call, useful info* page and they will be anonymised.

- 22. Will ethical aspects be important in the review process?**

Yes, they are. Applicants are requested to complete an ethical table in the online application form. [The Ethics Committee](#) will be asked to examine proposals of candidates invited for an interview, whose project has been flagged for potential ethical concerns.