

**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR
No. 1 VISITING POSTDOCTORAL FELLOW
ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-2027**

Background

Within the framework of the project CCR “*The phenomenon of environmental and climatic migrations and its impact on economic and social dynamics in the Euro-Mediterranean region*”, financed by the University of Macerata, the Department of Law of the University of Macerata issues this call for applications to foster the incoming mobility of one scholar from universities and research institutions abroad, in order to enhance the quality of and expand its teaching and research activities during the academic year 2026/2027.

The present public call seeks to initiate a mobility process involving international scholars with the purpose of implementing the activities included within the project at the Interdepartmental Research Centre on the Adriatic and the Mediterranean (CiRAM).

In light of the above-mentioned project, the Department of Law of the University of Macerata expects the Visiting Postdoctoral Fellow to contribute to the research and teaching activities of the Department and of CiRAM, and to foster cooperation between the University of Macerata and the university or research institution of origin.

Article 1

Subject

The University of Macerata hereby issues a public call for the selection of one Visiting Postdoctoral Fellow for the Academic Year 2026–2027, who will be hosted at the Department of Law.

This call for applications is intended for scholars who, at their home universities or research institutions, hold positions equivalent to those of Assistant Professor, Research Fellow, or other postdoctoral positions existing in Italian universities.

The Visiting Postdoctoral Fellow is required to stay at the University of Macerata for 30 days in one of the following periods: a) 1 October – 30 November 2026, (b) 1 February – 31 May 2027. The University of Macerata will award a grant to a postdoctoral scholar with proven research experience at universities or research institutions abroad. During his/her stay at the Department of Law, the Visiting Postdoctoral Fellow shall cooperate in the research activities of the project CCR on the topic “Climate change, migration and sustainable development: tools for international governance”. He/She may also be required to carry out standard teaching activities, including co-teaching activities in collaboration with the research team of the project.

During his/her stay, the Visiting Postdoctoral Fellow will be supervised by Prof. Andrea Caligiuri, the Principal Investigator (PI) of the project CCR, who will act as academic tutor.

Article 2

Eligibility

Eligible candidates are scholars who, by the application deadline, hold positions

equivalent to those of Assistant Professor, Research Fellow, or other postdoctoral positions existing in Italian universities. They are required to collaborate for 30 days, carrying out teaching and research activities during the academic year 2026/2027 on the topic “*Governing a Moving Planet: Sea-Level Rise, Human Mobility and Transformative Frameworks for Sustainability*”.

Candidates who are not receiving any financial support in similar projects shall be given priority in the selection process. Applications from candidates who have already benefited from other fellowships within the project are not eligible.

Article 3 **Financial Arrangements**

The Visiting Postdoctoral Fellow will be paid the gross amount of:

- € 3.000,00 – 30 days.

Such amount is inclusive of tax and social security contribution to be borne by the recipient who can use the amount to cover travel expenses, board and accommodation, and medical expenses, as well as any expenditure sustained for obtaining a visa or permit in case of non-EU citizens.

The contribution is subject to applicable legal charges.

The Department of Law will provide the Visiting Postdoctoral Fellow with a fully equipped room for study and research in the Department premises, free access to libraries and laboratories.

During their stay, the Visiting Postdoctoral Fellow will be supported by a Department Representative who will make sure they get successfully involved in the local academic and city life.

The University of Macerata will pay the Visiting Postdoctoral Fellow a flat-rate reimbursement in keeping with Paragraph 1 of this Article. Payments will be issued as follows: 50% of the grant will be paid at the beginning of the period after all administrative procedures have been carried out, while the remaining 50% will be paid at the end of the stay, upon submission of a final report.

At the end of the period, the Visiting Postdoctoral Fellow shall submit a final report in English to be approved by the Consiglio di Dipartimento (Department Council).

If due to unexpected circumstances, the Visiting Postdoctoral Fellow cannot perform all activities of the programme according to which they have been successfully selected, the grant may be reduced proportionally.

Article 4 **Activities**

During his/her stay at the University of Macerata, the Visiting Postdoctoral Fellow is expected to engage in the following activities:

- participate in the activities of the research group of the project CCR “*The phenomenon of environmental and climatic migrations and its impact on economic and social dynamics in the Euro-Mediterranean region*”;
- contribute to teaching activities organized within the project framework, upon request by the PI of the CCR project, for a maximum of 8 hours;
- collaborate with the project team in the preparation of a research proposal for European funding;

- prepare a final report on his/her activities, in English, to be approved by the Consiglio di Dipartimento (Department Council).

Article 5 Application and Deadlines

Applications for the herein public selection must be sent to the following email address: giurisprudenza.ricerca@unimc.it.

Applications must include:

- academic CV, with information Education, Research experience, Publications, Conferences & presentations as speaker, Teaching experience, Grants & fellowships, participation in Research projects, Linguistic and digital Skills;
- description of the research activities on the topic “*Governing a Moving Planet: Sea-Level Rise, Human Mobility and Transformative Frameworks for Sustainability*” to be carried out during the period of stay (maximum 800 words);
- letter of motivation stating possible collaborative activity to be carried out with the University of Macerata (maximum 400 words);
- an academic reference letter;
- chosen period of stay: a) 1 October – 30 November 2026, b) 1 February – 31 May 2027);
- a photocopy of the applicant’s Identity Card/Passport;
- information on whatsoever impairment, if any, to enable appropriate arrangements to be made.

Applications must be submitted by 30 June 2026.

Article 6 Selection Board

Applications are assessed by a three-member commission chaired by the PI of the project CCR, Prof. Andrea Caligiuri.

Assessment is carried out according to the following criteria:

- possession of proven research experience in the area covered by this call (up to 30 points);
- possession of scientific publications on topics relevant to the scientific theme of the call (up to 30 points);
- any other research experience, such as fellowships or previous contracts (up to 20 points);
- any other non-academic experience relevant to the research project (up to 10 points);
- excellent knowledge of English (up to 10 points).

The Selection Board shall draw a ranked-list of applications worthy of funding. If successful candidates sign away their eligibility, or cannot take part in the visiting activities, they may be replaced by suitable candidates who are next in rank in the Department list of successful applicants. If there are no suitable candidates among the applicants for each semester, the deadline may be postponed for both semesters or for the vacant semester.

Official information on **assessment results and successful applicants is published by 21 July 2026** on the website of the Department of Law, University of Macerata at the page: <https://giurisprudenza.unimc.it/it/dipartimento/bandi/altri-bandi>.

Successful candidate **has to confirm that he/she accepts position of Visiting**

Postdoctoral Fellow at the Department of Law, sending an email by 1 August 2026 to the following email address: giurisprudenza.ricerca@unimc.it.

Article 7
Public Notice of Selection Results

This call along with selection results is published on the website of the Department of Law at the page: <https://giurisprudenza.unimc.it/it/dipartimento/bandi/altri-bandi>. Notice regarding this call is also given by means of Euraxess and the main scientific communication systems.

Article 8
The Officer in Charge

The Manager in charge of administrative proceedings in connection with this call is Antonella Bettoni.

Article 9
Personal Data Processing

Personal data processing is regulated by Legislative Decree No. 196, 30th June 2003, titled ‘Personal Data Protection Code’ and successive amendments and integrations, and in accordance with General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (EU) 2016/679.

All personal data provided by applicants submitting their applications for selection will be processed only for the purposes connected to this call. Candidates must provide their personal data in order to enable assessment of application requirements, under penalty of exclusion from the public selection.

Applicants are entitled to legally exercise the rights set out in the above-mentioned regulations, including the right to access their personal data, as well as complementary rights such as the right to withdraw their consent, to rectify, update or erase all data that are inaccurate, incomplete or have not been collected in keeping with law provisions.

Article 10
Final Provisions

Issues not expressly covered by this call shall be regulated, where applicable, by the relevant existing Italian laws.