

FLORENCE - GENEVA POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME

In the framework of their strategic collaboration, the European University Institute (EUI) and the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies have established a two-year postdoctoral fellowship programme which provides to one person each year the opportunity to spend one year at EUI in Florence and one year at the Graduate Institute in Geneva (with a teaching possibility). The objective of this programme is to prepare fellows to an academic career by giving them the opportunity to strengthen their academic portfolio during the two years.

CONDITIONS OF AWARD AND PROCEDURE

This programme is intended for PhD graduates in law or the social sciences who are within 5 years from the completion of their PhD, regardless of nationality and including non-EU citizens. Preference is given to applicants who have completed their doctorate within the last 3 years and who do not hold a tenured or a tenure-track position in a university.

Candidates must be admitted in the Max Weber Fellowship Programme and express their interest in spending a second year at the Graduate Institute, Geneva.

The Max Weber Fellowship Programme sends the candidates' applications to the Graduate Institute, Geneva, where the relevant departments (based on the candidates' academic profile and research thematic) review the applications and select the candidate/s they would be interested in hosting. The Academic Leadership takes the final decision.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The assessment of the candidates' academic potential and their commitment to an academic career having already be made by the Max Weber Fellowship Programme, the Graduate Institute, Geneva looks primarily at the following criteria:

Academic excellence assessed on the basis of the candidate's contributions (publications, PhD thesis, etc. as outlined in the CV).

Research Proposal: the proposal must fit in the framework of the areas of specialisation and disciplines of the Institute.

Mentorship: the capacity and availability of the Graduate Institute faculty to provide mentorship; while common research interests is also looked at, it is not a prerequisite for mentorship.

STATUS WHILE AT THE INSTITUTE

The postdoctoral fellow will receive a stipend (40'000 Swiss francs) to spend 10 months at the Graduate Institute from September until June. The fellow shall cover all expenses occurred during the fellowship (ex. visa, medical insurance, housing, traveling, etc). The Graduate Institute will assist the fellow in the visa procedure, medical insurance and to help find a housing.

The postdoctoral fellow will receive the title of "EUI-IHEID Postdoctoral Fellow". The fellow will continue to pursue his/her own research interests integrating them when possible with those of a department/centre".

The fellow will enjoy research facilities (shared office space, access to the library, etc) and be included in the research community of the Institute. They will have access to library resources, IT services, access to events organised at the Graduate Institute.

The fellow will be affiliated to a department or a research centre or both. An opportunity of teaching may be offered based on the fellow's research thematic during the fellowship programme.