



## UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY PROGRAMME – 2026 edition

### CALL FOR APPLICATIONS<sup>1</sup>

#### **B Type – Visiting Scholars&Professors – incoming mobility for research and teaching**

##### **Art. 1 – Scope**

The University of Verona intends to establish forms of collaboration with international early-career researchers (B1 Category) and established academics and scientists (B2 Category) from foreign institutions,<sup>2</sup> for periods of **at least two weeks** (10 working days), to carry out on-site teaching and/or research activities within a Department.

- B1 Category (Junior): Early-career researchers including doctoral students, postdoctoral researchers, medical residents, or faculty members with no more than 7 years of academic experience following the award of their doctoral degree or PhD;
- B2 Category (Senior): University faculty members and senior researchers.

Host Departments at the University shall ensure that the Visiting Scholar/Professor is provided with a dedicated individual workstation. Mobility periods shall take place between 1 January 2027 and 30 June 2028.

Each applicant may submit only one application under this *Call*. Invitations concerning candidates who have already been awarded two grants under previous *Visiting Calls* (from the 2023 edition onwards) will not be considered.

It is possible to submit proposals inviting the same Visiting researcher/professor under both Type A and Type B Calls, provided that the purpose of the stay differs and is consistent with the objectives of each action. Applications submitted under Type A will be given priority. If funded, the corresponding Type B application will automatically be withdrawn.

##### **Art. 2 – Grants available**

Mobility grants shall be awarded to Visiting Scholars/Researchers undertaking stays at the University of Verona for a minimum of **two weeks up to eight weeks**. The total duration of the mobility must correspond to that specified in the application and be consistent with the allocated funding. In the event of shorter stays, the grant will be **proportionally adjusted**, provided that the minimum duration requirement (two weeks) is met.

The grant is intended to partially cover travel and accommodation expenses incurred **exclusively by the participant** during their stay in Verona (expenses related to accompanying persons are not eligible). The amount awarded will depend on the planned duration of the stay.

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<sup>1</sup> Please note: this is an unofficial translation of “Bando Visiting - Tipologia B - Visiting Scholar&Professor - mobilità in ingresso per ricerca e didattica – edizione 2026”. In case of any divergence of interpretation, the Italian text shall prevail.

<sup>2</sup> Visiting Scholars/Professors should be enrolled, tenured or employed at their Home Institution at the moment of application and for the whole duration of the mobility.



### B1 Category - JUNIOR

Period of stay	Maximum grant	
	European Countries <sup>3</sup>	Non-european Countries
Two weeks	1,400.00 €	2,000.00 €
Any additional weeks	+ 700.00 €	+ 700.00 €
8-week stay	5,600.00 €	6,200.00 €

### B2 Category - SENIOR

Period of stay	Maximum grant	
	European Countries <sup>4</sup>	Non-european Countries
Two weeks	1,600.00 €	2,200.00 €
Any additional weeks	+ 800.00 €	+800.00 €
8-week stay	6,400.00 €	7,000.00 €

Eligible costs include: travel and accommodation expenses for stays in Verona, in accordance with the University's Travel Expenses Policy regulation ("Regolamento delle missioni, trasferte e relativi rimborsi spese"). Alternatively, remuneration. In the latter case, the total amount available is to be considered gross of the expected charges to be borne both by the University and the Visiting Scholar/Professor, in compliance with applicable current legislation.

**Please note:** for non-EU citizens receiving remuneration, compliance with Italian visa regulations is mandatory, including for short stays (less than 90 days).

For further information on visa procedures or accommodation, please contact: [international.cooperation@ateneo.univr.it](mailto:international.cooperation@ateneo.univr.it)

### Art. 3 – Resources available

The University's resources for this *Call* amount to a total of **€135,000.00**, to be divided as follows:

- **€ 25,000.00 Euro** reserved to B1 Category (Junior). € 12,500.00 Euro is allocated to the first application round (deadline: 31 May 2026)
- **€ 110,000.00 Euro** reserved to B2 Category (Senior). € 55,000.00 Euro is allocated to the first application round (deadline: 31 May 2026)

### Art. 4 - Applications

Each applicant (inviting Researcher/Professor at the University of Verona) shall:

1. complete the online application form;
2. upload the required attachments (in electronic format only). Specifically:

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<sup>3</sup> To be considered within the European geographical area (i.e. Switzerland and UK are to be considered as European countries).



Research and/or teaching <u>project</u> to carry out in Verona — to be completed by the invited Visiting Professor/Researcher;
Project presentation letter by the applicant of the University of Verona (the <u>online</u> template must be used);
A detailed <i>Curriculum vitae</i> of the invited guest, including his/her scientific publications and all the necessary information to allow for a complete assessment of his/her profile by the Departmental Selection Committee;
Reference documentation related to the Home Institution of the invited guest, only if it is not among those considered for the QS World University Ranking (see Art. 5);

3. Submit the application by clicking on 'invia' (*submit*) and then on 'stampare le risposte' (*print*) and 'esportazione pdf' (*export PDF*) to save a copy of the application form.

Applications must be completed and submitted online by the UNIVR applicant (not by the invited Scholar/Professor) by:

**First round of applications: 31 May 2026, 12.00 noon** (Italian time);

**Second round of applications: 30 September 2026, 12.00 noon** (Italian time).

Applications that are incomplete, or that include false statements, or that are submitted after the deadline, **will not be considered**.

#### Art. 5 – Selection criteria

Selections will be made based on the following **selection criteria**:

##### B1 Category (Junior)

no.	SELECTION CRITERIA	SCORE
<b>To be assessed by the Departmental Selection Board</b>		
1	Evaluation of the application made by the Host Department, based on the following criteria:	0 – 12 points, of which:
1.a	<i>Curriculum vitae</i> , scientific publications and activities of the Visiting Scholar being invited;	0 – 6 points
1.b	Teaching/Research Project to be performed at UNIVR	0 – 6 points
<b>To be assessed by the University Selection Board</b>		
2	The exchange is part of a specific cooperation agreement between the University of Verona and the home institute. The agreement must already be signed and active at the time of the publication of this call (Erasmus mobility agreements are excluded).	1 point
3	Applications from candidates invited by a structure for the first time as part of a call for university internationalisation.	1 point
4	International reputation of the applicant's institution/university;	0 – 4 points



5	Amount of co-funding guaranteed by the applicant or Host Structure in relation to the maximum amount of the mobility grant (60%: 5 points; 50%: 4 points; 40%: 3 points; 30%:2 points; 20%: 1 point)	0 – 5 points
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23</b>
	<b>Minimum eligibility threshold</b>	<b>8</b>

### B2 Category - Senior

no.	SELECTION CRITERIA	SCORE
<b>To be assessed by the Departmental Selection Board</b>		
1	Evaluation of the application made by the Host Department, based on the following criteria:	0 – 13 points, of which:
1.a	<i>Curriculum vitae</i> , scientific publications and activities of the Visiting Professor/Researcher being invited;	0 – 6 points
1.b	Consistency and coherence of the teaching/research project	0 – 2 points
1.c	Teaching or seminar activities within the University's degree programmes	0 - 5 points
<b>To be assessed by the University's Selection Board</b>		
3	The exchange is part of a specific cooperation agreement between the University of Verona and the home institute. The agreement must already be signed and active at the time of the publication of this call (Erasmus mobility agreements are excluded).	1 point
4	Applications from candidates invited by a structure for the first time as part of a call for university internationalisation.	1 point
5	International reputation of the applicant's institution/university;	0 – 4 points
6	Amount of co-funding guaranteed by the applicant or Host Structure in relation to the maximum amount of the mobility grant (60%: 5 points; 50%: 4 points; 40%: 3 points; 30%:2 points; 20%: 1 point)	0 – 5 points
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24</b>
	<b>Minimum eligibility threshold</b>	<b>8</b>

The co-funding amount will be taken into account when assessing the project. The University will fund the difference between the co-funded quota and the grant awarded.

In order to assess the international reputation of the Visiting Professor/Researcher's home institution, the following criteria shall apply:

- Universities. The assessment will be based on the *QS World University Rankings* as available on the relevant website: <http://www.topuniversities.com>. The University's Selection Committee will calculate the arithmetic mean of two scores awarded according to the position of the university in the general QS rankings (among the top 100 universities: 4 points; from 101 to 200: 3 points; from 201 to 300: 2 points; from 301 downwards: 1 point; no QS ranking: 0) and in the relevant macro-area (among the top 100 universities: 4 points; from 101 to 200: 3 points; from 201 to 300: 2 points; from 301 downwards: 1 point; no QS ranking: 0).



- Non-University institutes e.g. a national institute of research or *Graduate Schools* (which are not generally taken into account in the QS international rankings). For this type of institutes only, the University's Selection Board shall award 0 – 4 points based on the references of the home institution attached to the application. The evaluation may take into account the proposed score that the Department selection board is required to submit, accompanied by a brief description of the criteria that have been applied.

## Art. 6 – Ranking lists

After each application deadline:

1. Departments will evaluate applications and produce ranking lists (separately for B1 and B2 categories);
2. Each application will be assigned a score (whole numbers or increments of 0.5), with no tied scores permitted;
3. Applicants may **not** serve on Selection Boards.

Departments must submit:

- Ranking lists;
- Minutes of selection meetings;
- Individual evaluation forms duly completed.

The University Selection Board will then establish the final ranking lists based on the criteria defined in Art. 5.

The final list of funded projects will be published following approval by the University governing bodies.

Call	Deadlines			
	Deadline for applications	Submission of the Department Selection Board assessments	University Selection Board (evaluation process)	Academic Board approval
<b>1<sup>st</sup> deadline</b>	31.05.2026	30.06.2026	July 2026	28.07.2026
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> deadline</b>	30.09.2026	31.10.2026	November 2026	24.11.2026

## Art. 7 – Final report

Within 60 days of the end of the mobilities, Host Departments will need to submit a final report, including a report by the beneficiary, by means of the relevant form available online, or else the applicant will be excluded from taking part in the next Visiting Calls.

If the total expenditure is lower than the allocated funding, the grant and co-funding contributions will be proportionally reduced.