



UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY PROGRAMME – 2026 edition

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS¹

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

Art. 1 – Scope

The University of Verona intends to establish forms of collaboration with international young researchers (B1 Category) and recognized university lecturers and scientists (B2 Category) from foreign institutions,² for periods of **at least two weeks** (10 working days), to deliver on-site teaching and/or research activities in a Department.

- B1 Category (Junior): Young researchers such as doctoral students, postdocs, residents, or faculty members with no more than 7 years of academic experience since obtaining their doctoral degree or PhD.

- B2 Category (Senior): University faculty members and scientists.

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

Each applicant can submit only one application under this *Call*. Invitations to those who have already been awarded two grants under previous *Visiting Calls* (from the 2023 edition on) shall not be accepted. A proposal may be submitted to invite the same visiting researcher/professor under both A and B Type of the Visiting Call, provided that the purpose of the stay is distinct and consistent with the objectives of the relevant action. The project submitted under Category A will be evaluated with priority. In case the application is funded, the application submitted under Category B will automatically lapse.

Art. 2 – Grants available

Mobility grants shall be awarded to Visiting Scholars/Researchers staying at the University of Verona for a minimum of **two weeks up to eight weeks**. The total duration of the mobility period must coincide with that indicated in the application form at the time of applying and must be in line with the amount allocated by the University. In case of shorter stays the amount due will be proportionally reshaped, subject to compliance with the minimum duration of mobility (two weeks).

The grant is aimed at reimbursing part of the travel and lodging expenses for **stays in Verona** exclusively incurred by the participant (i.e. excluding expenses related to any other person travelling with her/him). The reimbursement will be determined based on the expected duration of the stay.

¹ 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.

² 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 ³	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 ⁴	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 €

Expenses that can be claimed: travel and lodging expenses for stays in Verona, in accordance with the University's Travel Expenses Policy regulation ("Regolamento delle missioni, trasferte e relativi rimborsi spese") or remuneration. In the latter case, the total amount available is to be considered gross of the expected charges to be borne by the University and the Visiting Scholar/Professor, as required by current legislation.

Please note: if a remuneration is to be paid to a non-EU citizen, compliance with the current legislation on the type of visa for entry into Italy must be ensured even for short stays (<90 days).

For further information and administrative support on visa application procedures, as well as for support in finding accommodation, please contact the University's Research Office (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 will be reserved to the first round of applications (deadline: 31 May 2026)
- **€ 110,000.00 Euro** reserved to B2 Category (Senior). € 55,000.00 Euro will be reserved to the first round of applications (deadline: 31 May 2026)

Art. 4 - Applications

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

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

³ 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 letters/paperwork 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 Researcher/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, **shall not be accepted**.

Art. 5 – Selection criteria

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

B1 Category (Junior)

no.	SELECTION CRITERIA	SCORE
To be assessed by the Departmental Selection Board		
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
To be assessed by the University Selection Board		
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
	TOTAL	23
	Minimum eligibility threshold	8

B2 Category - Senior

no.	SELECTION CRITERIA	SCORE
To be assessed by the Departmental Selection Board		
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
To be assessed by the University's Selection Board		
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
	TOTAL	24
	Minimum eligibility threshold	8

The co-funding amount will be considered when assessing the project. The University will fund the difference between the co-funded quota and the available grant.

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

Following each deadline for submitting applications, the **Departments** will **assess** the mobility projects and draw up a list of eligible applicants (one list for the B1 Category and one list for the B2 Category). Each application shall be allocated a score in whole numbers or decimal multiples of 0.50, and no equal scores shall be allowed. Applicants cannot be appointed as members of the Selection Boards.

Every Department shall then send to the Research Division the ranking lists of assessed applications, together with **copies of the minutes of the selections**, and **of each individual evaluation sheet** duly and correctly completed, or else the application shall not be accepted.

Subsequently, the University's Selection Board will meet to draw up the general ranking lists on the basis of the selection criteria set out in Art. 5. **The ranking list of funded projects** be published after approval by the relevant University's bodies:

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

Art. 7 – Final report

Within 60 days of the end of the mobilities, each Structure 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*.

In case the total amount spent is lower than the available funding, a proportional reduction will be made to the share of both the co-financing and the grant allocated within this Call.