

FULBRIGHT CHAIR IN ITALIAN STUDIES
UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
Academic Year 2026-27

General Grant Information:

1. Grant Length: One quarter
2. Requested Discipline: Italian culture with a special emphasis on literary, media, and cinema studies perspectives, from early-modern to contemporary Italian culture. Interdisciplinary approach essential but focused on Italian culture such as literature and visual arts. No proposal regarding any other area of studies will be considered
3. Specialization(s) (discipline and subdiscipline): Italian lit., art history, history, philosophy, media, and cinema
4. Number of courses: **2**
5. Preferred Terms (please underline chosen term):

Spring Term 2027

6. Start date: March 1, 2027 End date: June 5, 2027
7. Reporting date: Last week of February, 2027 tbd

Language:

English language required, excellent level. The two courses can only be taught in English.

The scholar must have a very good knowledge of the English language. They must be able to express themselves in a clear and comprehensible manner, and must be able to hold a complex conversation with students on academic issues. The Fulbright evaluation of the linguistic skills is extremely important.

Grant Activity: Please describe in detail the grant activity of the Visiting Scholar and the principal duties that will be assigned to the scholar

Courses

Course 1

Focus: see areas mentioned above

Type (e.g. lecture, seminar, workshop, etc.): Seminar

Level (undergraduate/graduate - Master's or Ph.D.): Graduate -Undergrad students

Teaching load (hours per week and term): 3 hours per week

Average class size: 10

Course and syllabus requirements: SYLLABUS AND LIST OF ALL READINGS IN ENGLISH ARE MANDATORY

Course 2

Focus: see areas mentioned above

Type (e.g. lecture, seminar, workshop, etc.): Seminar

Level (undergraduate/graduate - Master's or Ph.D.): Undergraduate

Teaching load (hours per week and term): 3 hours per week

Average class size: 10

Course and syllabus requirements: SYLLABUS AND ALL READINGS IN ENGLISH ARE MANDATORY

No additional grant activities and duties

Opportunities offered to the scholar

- Opportunities for research and collaboration with peers: numerous workshops, conferences held on campus
- Opportunities for teaching or guest lecturing at other departments and other institutions in the Chicago area
- Introduction and interaction with the local and university community

University Resources and Facilities

- library facilities
- office space
- personal computer
- access to computer network and other IT resources
- SMART MUSEUM: free access to the university museums

The university has numerous resources (gym, theater, museums). No additional funding is provided for facilities such as gym and theater.

Housing:

Housing is not provided, but assistance in finding suitable accommodation near campus is available. Up to \$3000 is allotted for housing and the reimbursement of research expenses with adequate receipt documentation. Housing costs vary.

Stipend Payment: Please provide information on terms of payment of the stipend of 9,000 USD contributed by the University and describe administrative requirements to be fulfilled by the grantee to the purpose.

The stipend will be paid in installments over the course of the scholar's appointment. The scholar must submit receipt documentation for the available \$3000 in reimbursement funds for housing and/or research. All research purchases must adhere to applicable University research fund policies. The scholar will need to communicate and meet with the Office of Financial and Grant Services in the Humanities Division to complete any necessary paperwork.

The Fulbright Commission will pay its financial contribution of \$9.000 to the Visiting Scholar in one lump sum upon his/her arrival in the United States.

Tax Matters:

Additional taxation information will be available once a candidate has been selected and communicates with the Office of Financial and Grant Services.

Host Institution:

Academic calendar

Spring 2027 available at <https://events.uchicago.edu/academic/calendar/future.php?year=2026%E2%80%932027>

Host School/Department/Center: University of Chicago, Dept. of Romance Languages & Literatures

Web address of host institution: <http://rll.uchicago.edu/>; <http://www.uchicago.edu/>

Helpful links: <https://facultyrelocation.uchicago.edu/housing/find-housing>

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