

**BIBLIOTHECA HAAS FELLOWSHIP 2019**  
Bibliotheca Mystica et Philosophica Alois M. Haas  
Barcelona



**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**

**Introduction**

Every year, the Associació d'Amics de la Bibliotheca Mystica et Philosophica Alois M. Haas announces a call for applications for two fellowships that will be granted for a three months stay in order to carry out an original postdoctoral research project at the Bibliotheca Mystica et Philosophica Alois M. Haas. Said project must adjust to the topics of the collection. The candidate must show the specific need to consult it.

The Bibliotheca Mystica et Philosophica Alois M. Haas, opened in 2003, includes an important collection of books, about 40.000, donated by Prof. Alois M. Haas (University of Zurich) to Pompeu Fabra University. This collection constitutes a highly specialized field for the study of the spiritual traditions of humanity and, above all, Western traditions. The collection is placed at the General Library of the Pompeu Fabra University, at the core of the building Dipòsit de les Aigües, which offers a privileged environment to researchers. Thanks to the generosity of the Villavecchia family, the Associació d'Amics de la Bibliotheca Mystica et Philosophica Alois M. Haas grants these research fellowships.

**Aims**

The fellowship offers the chance to do postdoctoral research in a specialized environment to qualified researchers whose project adjusts to the content of the collection. The goal of the granting of the fellowship is to promote the use and promotion of the bibliographic collection, as well as helping develop high level research projects on religious traditions, spirituality, aesthetics, theology, and so on.

**Requirements of eligibility**

The fellowship can be applied for by those researchers who hold a Ph.D. in any discipline, preferably –but not necessarily- in Humanities.

There are no restrictions when it comes to origin and age. Those applications from beyond Spain will be given priority.

**Amount**

The amount of the fellowship is 1.600 € per month, during the three aforementioned months.

The researcher will also have his travelling expenses covered up to 1.000 €.

Accommodation is not provided.

The researcher will have access to the library and all its services (borrowing books from the different venues of the UPF library, Wi-Fi, computers). He will also have access to a table inside the library.

### **Conditions**

The duration of the fellowships is three months each one. Candidates must choose between two periods:

- Term September 2019 – March 2020
- Term January 2020 – July 2020

The candidates must indicate in which term they wish to apply for. They can apply for both periods, although only one fellowship might be assigned for each candidate.

This period of research can take place at any moment within the year except for those days in which the library is closed (August, Christmas holidays in December). Make sure to check the calendar and schedule of the library:

[https://www.upf.edu/bibtic/coneixer/adreces/calendari\\_ciudadella.html](https://www.upf.edu/bibtic/coneixer/adreces/calendari_ciudadella.html)

The project must be feasible in the three months the stay will last.

The candidate must have finished his Ph.D. at the moment of applying for the fellowship.

Throughout the research stay, and always voluntarily, the researcher will be able to give one or two seminars on his field within the frame of the activities of the Association of Friends of the Bibliotheca Mystica et Philosophica Alois M. Haas.

The person granted the fellowship will have to indicate the granting of the scholarship in the publications –if there are any- that will result from the research carried out at the Bibliotheca Haas. He/she will also have to hand in a PDF file of all of them as well as two printed copies of each to the competent authority

The project should preferably not have been granted other scholarships. In any case, the project cannot be granted economic support from any other institution for the same period.

### **Process and criteria of selection**

The decision on who will be granted the scholarship will be taken by a committee created with this aim by the Associació d'Amics de la Bibliotheca Haas. The committee will be integrated by researchers and specialists in religion, theology, spirituality, and arts.

The elements that will be taken into consideration will be the value of the project and the suitability to carry it out within the bibliographic collection in question, as well as the academic merits as shown in the résumé. In principle, personal interviews will not be required.

In the application form, mentioning the publications at our collection that the candidate would like to have access to will be highly appreciated. You can check the catalogue at: <<http://cataleg.upf.edu/>>.

### **Accommodation**

The granting of the fellowship does not include accommodation.  
An option could be: RESA, a building placed two minutes walk from the Bibliotheca Mystica et Philosophica Alois M. Haas.

Residència Universitària La Ciutadella  
Pujades Street, 33  
08018 Barcelona  
<http://www.resa.es/es/residencias/barcelona/residencia-universitaria-la-ciutadella/residencia/>

### **Deadlines**

The deadline for the submission of applications for the 2019 call is the 31 May 2019.

The committee's decision will be communicated in June 2019. The selected candidate will be notified by means of an email.

### **Documents**

The following documents must be submitted by regular mail:

Application form  
Abstract of the project (300 words)  
Research Project, putting emphasis on the adjustment of the project to the collection (3 pages)  
CV

The candidate must look for two people who can provide reference of his merits. These two people will have to send their letters of recommendation by email to: [associacio.haas@upf.edu](mailto:associacio.haas@upf.edu).

The rest of the documents can be submitted in Catalan, Spanish or English. They must be sent to the following address:

Associació d'Amics de la Biblioteca Mystica et Philosophica Alois M. Haas  
Universitat Pompeu Fabra - Campus de la Ciutadella - Dipòsit de les Aigües  
Carrer de Ramon Trias Fargas, 25-27  
08005 Barcelona

They must also send to the following email address: [associacio.haas@upf.edu](mailto:associacio.haas@upf.edu).

Do not hesitate to address any doubt you might have to the Association of Friends of the Bibliotheca Haas: [associacio.haas@upf.edu](mailto:associacio.haas@upf.edu).