

Research Fellow / Academic Staff Member in Restoration Technology at AVU

The Rector of the Academy of Fine Arts in Prague (AVU), located at U Akademie 4, Prague 7, in accordance with Section 77 of Act No. 111/1998 Coll, MSMT-8517/2018) and the current Regulations for the Selection Procedure for Filling Academic Staff Positions at AVU (dated 27 March 2018, No. MSMT-8517/2018) announces a selection procedure for the **post-doc position of Research Fellow of the AVU Restoration Studios** (RS AVU).

The successful candidate will collaborate on research projects within RS AVU focusing on the technology of monument restoration, the technology of fine art, and the application of new methods and materials in restoration.

This call is open for one part-time position, with a duration of three years. It is aimed at graduates of PhD programs in the field of monument restoration technology, chemical technology, or related natural science fields in the Czech Republic and abroad.

Job Description:

- Conduct basic and applied research in monument restoration, with a focus on restoration technology, fine art technology, and the application of innovative methods and materials.
- Implement and lead individual research projects within this field.
- Collaborate on ongoing and upcoming research projects at RS AVU.
- Maintain an active publishing record.
- Participate actively in international conferences.
- Assist in preparing grant applications.
- Engage in other activities within RS AVU, particularly in developing strategic partnerships as part of international institutional cooperation.
- Participate in teaching.
- Supervise and/or consult on student theses and dissertations.
- Serve on thesis and diploma committees, state doctoral examination and defense committees, and participate in school councils.

Preferred Qualifications:

While experience in chemical technology for monument restoration, or the technology of fine art and materials, is desirable, it is not a mandatory requirement. However, applicants should have experience in at least one related scientific discipline (e.g., analytical chemistry). Applicants must have at least two published peer-reviewed

research outputs within the past three years. Publication activity in internationally recognized peer-reviewed journals is desirable but not required.

Prerequisites:

- Doctoral-level academic degree in chemistry, materials technology, fine art restoration, art conservation technology, or equivalent fields.
- Interest in professional development in conservation technology, fine art restoration technology, and the application of new methods and materials.
- Relevant international professional experience (including doctoral studies abroad).
- Fluent professional proficiency in English or Italian.
- Demonstrable record of professional publishing.
- Strong teamwork skills, as the position involves collaboration with other RS AVU members.
- High civic and ethical integrity.

We Offer:

- 0.5 FTE (with the possibility of increase and co-funding from grant sources).
- Salary conditions governed by the AVU Internal Salary Regulations (20,000.00 CZK / 0.5 FTE).
- Start date: 1 January 2025.
- Fixed-term contract for three years, with the possibility of extension.
- Employee benefits according to AVU standards.
- AVU is an equal opportunity employer and welcomes applications regardless of age, gender, gender identity, orientation, or ethnicity.

Application Requirements:

- A. Contact details
- B. A professional curriculum vitae with a list of previous publications
- C. Copies of documents evidencing the highest level of education completed, including any scientific and pedagogical degrees and ranks
- D. A cover letter with a structured annotation of the research project, including a timeline, planned professional activities, and the foreign institutions where part of the research may be conducted
- E. Two reference letters

Please send applications with all supporting documents and any questions by email to opencall@avu.cz, **no later than January 31 2025**.

Selection Process:

The admission process consists of two rounds. The first round will take place without the personal participation of applicants. The second round will be in the form of an interview, held at AVU or online, in Czech or English. Candidates selected for the second round will be informed of the interview date at least two weeks in advance.

The results of the selection process will be published on the AVU Official Board and communicated in writing to each candidate individually.

The Academy of Fine Arts in Prague reserves the right to cancel this selection process at any time without providing reasons.

By submitting an application, candidates agree to the processing of their personal data in accordance with Act No. 110/2019 Coll., on the processing of personal data, for the purpose of this selection procedure.