MSCA POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP

AT PALACKÝ UNIVERSITY OLOMOUC

SUPERVISOR

doc. Mgr. Richard Změlík, Ph.D. Associate professor of literary theory at the Department of Czech Studies, Palacký University

in Olomouc. His expertise includes literary formalism, structuralism, semiotics, spatial studies, and computational literary studies. In 2024, he completed a HORIZON EUROPE internship at the University of Trier with Prof. Christopher Schoch, working on literary cartographic and quantitative models of Czech novels. He developed the digital corpus Korpus Prózy and its analytical tools. He has presented his research at international conferences, including in Italy, Spain, France, and the USA.

CANDIDATE REQUIREMENTS

- Graduate of a PhD degree in literary or linguistic studies
- Knowledge especially in narratology, spatial studies, digital humanities.
- Basic knowledge of programming (e.g. Python)
- Design of own original project, solution method and objectives
- A clear idea of the concrete applicability and usefulness of the project output

DEPARTMENT OF CZECH STUDIES

the **Department of Czech Studies** in Olomouc is one of the oldest and top Czech studies institutions in the country. It offers bachelor's and master's degrees in Czech philology, including textology and editorial practice, with options for pedagogical qualifications. The department collaborates with leading researchers, engages in international projects, and organizes conferences shaping current literary and linguistic research. It publishes the peer-reviewed journal Bohemica Olomucensia and participates in international educational programs.

PREFERRED RESEARCH TOPICS

- NLP (natural language processing)
- Corpus annotation (narrative and segment tagging)
- Topography of fictional and non-fictional locations (Adobe Illustrator, GIS in Python)
- Creation of literary and other corpora
- Basic corpus mining tools (frequency analysis, concordance, lexical diversity, etc..)

GRANT OFFICE FF UP

- MSCA PF project management support
- Anna Lukešová (anna.lukesova@upol.cz)

Submit a **research outline** (including research objectives, novelty, state of the art and references), **CV** with **5 most important publications** of the 5 last years to: **richard.zmelik@upol.cz** by **6.4.2025.**

Potential candidates need to have held a doctoral degree (Ph.D.) for **no longer than 8 years** and have **not resided in the Czech Republic for more than 12 months** during the **last 3 years**, at the time of the deadline.

ONE
PROPOSAL,
THREE
CHANCES TO
GET FUNDED!

MSCA Funding score > 93 %

ERA Fellowship score > 91 %

Funding chance for applying at the Widening country (Czechia) MSCA CZ score > 70 %

funds.
Achieved by up to 80 % applicants

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WHAT IS MSCA PF?

The Postdoctoral Fellowship within the framework of Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA PF) is a program supporting postdoctoral researchers in developing their careers and fostering their excellence in research. To achieve this goal, the program offers talented early-career scholars to carry out their research abroad while covering the costs of such mobility. MSCA postdoctoral fellows realise individual projects in close cooperation with a supervisor at the host institution. Interdisciplinary projects and involvement of non-academic sector (through secondments) are encouraged.

MSCA PF CONDITIONS

- Postdocs with no more than 8 years since PhD termination at the time of submission deadline
- Costs covered: living and mobility allowance; family allowance (if applicable); research, training and networking activities; management and indirect costs related to the project
- Optional short-term secondments anywhere in the world within the duration of the project
- Optional additional placement in a nonacademic organisation for max. 6 months after finishing the project

EUROPEAN FELLOWSHIP

- Project of 12-24 months realised directly at Palacký University Olomouc in Czechia
- For researchers of any nationality
- Previous residence in Czechia for max. 12 months in the past 3 years

GLOBAL FELLOWSHIP

- Project of 12-24 months realised outside of the EU
 return phase of 12 months to Palacký University
- For citizens and long-term residents of the EU and Horizon Europe Associated Countries only
- Previous residence in the chosen third country for max. 12 months in the past 3 years

PALACKÝ UNIVERSITY OLOMOUC

- is **one of the top Czech universities** according to international rankings
- is holding the European Commission's HR Excellence in Research Award
- is part of European universities networks
 (AURORA) fostering international collaboration
- provides modern infrastructure in various disciplines of natural as well as social sciences
- offers essential services to its employees, including Social Security and Health insurance, childcare services or employees benefits
- higher chances to succeed in MSCA PF due to WIDERA schemes within Horizon Europe

FACULTY OF ARTS (FF UP)

- offers interdisciplinary expertise due to its specialisation in a wide range of humanities and social sciences
- provides with modern facilities in the heart of the beautiful historical city of Olomouc

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MSCA PF 2025 TIMELINE AT FF UP





Kick-Off Meetings

with Supervisor and Project Manager (January-March)



MSCA PF Boost It UP

Online Preparatory Course for MSCA PF Applicants (March-June 2025)



MSCA PF Coffee Meetings

Every Wednesday at 9 AM CET Discussing Project Proposals (March-June 2025)



Consultations & Feedback

According to Individual Needs (April-September 2025)

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