

Department of Architecture, University of Cyprus

OPEN POSITION(S) FOR A SPECIAL SCIENTIST FOR RESEARCH

Title: Special Scientist for Research

Positions: One (1)

Category: Full time (140 hours per month), 22-months contract with the possibility of renewal

Place of work: University of Cyprus, Nicosia Cyprus

The Department of Architecture, University of Cyprus (UCY) would like to announce one (1) vacant full-time position for employment as a Special Scientist (Research) in the project "*Architectural Histories of Latent Cooperation in the British Empire*", which is funded by the Research and Innovation Foundation for VISION ERC-PATH 2/0525/0017.

Responsibilities and Duties:

This position involves hiring a research assistant for a historical project within the field of digital humanities. The successful candidate will be collaborating closely with the project's Principal Investigator, and will be responsible for a wide range of tasks, including but not limited to:

- Conducting historical and qualitative research (this may involve archival and fieldwork research, interviews and/or oral histories collection, mapping and spatial analysis, as well as data collection and analysis).
- Assisting in the management and coordination of project activities, timelines, and deliverables.
- Drafting, editing, and formatting project reports, and other documentation as needed.
- Organising project meetings, as well as an international workshop (and/or other smaller project events) with invited participants.
- Collaborating closely with the project's team, which, at least, during the project's 2nd year will be heavily interdisciplinary. An interest in the digital humanities is a plus.
- Performing other related tasks as needed to ensure the project's smooth progress and completion.

Necessary Qualifications:

The ideal candidate for this position should have at least a Master's degree in the field of Architectural History or relevant fields (e.g., History, Art History, Architecture, Heritage Studies, etc.). Strong interest in pursuing a doctoral research is highly desirable. Candidates who already hold a PhD will also be considered, though funding may be limited.

Strong written and verbal communication skills in English and the ability to work collaboratively in an interdisciplinary team are a must.

Other desirable qualifications:

- Experience in archival research.
- Familiarity with digital humanities methods.
- Excellent organisational and project management skills.
- Attention to detail, self-motivation, and a proactive approach to problem-solving.

Terms of contract:

The employment of the Special Scientist – Research will be with a contract. The duration of employment will be initially for 22 months, with possibility of renewal based on funding availability and performance. The successful applicant should be available to start on the 2nd April 2026. The monthly gross earnings will be between €1.705,42 – 1.918,59 based on merit and experience. From the gross earnings, the

University of Cyprus will deduct the relevant sum which corresponds to the contributions of the employee to the various Governmental Funds and income tax. There is no provision for 13th Salary.

The employment of persons who have reached the age of 65 years old, at the commencement date of employment, is prohibited.

The filling of the position is subject to the availability of funding.

Submission of Applications:

- A full CV (EUROPASS format is preferred)
- Expression of Interest Letter, mentioning research interests and experience (max. 1 page)
- Copies of academic degrees and transcripts
- Contact details (including email address and phone number)
- Names and contact details of at least two referees should be provided to be potentially contacted if the candidate is shortlisted.

Documents may be submitted in English or Greek.

The candidates should submit their applications via e-mail to palate.savia@ucy.ac.cy by **20 February 2026** in one PDF document.

For more information contact Dr. Savia Palate at palate.savia@ucy.ac.cy

At least the best three candidates that satisfy the required qualifications, will be interviewed by a 3-member Committee, chaired by the Project Coordinator. They will be invited for an interview based on academic and research excellence, their capacity to conduct research in the field of architectural history and theory, organisational skills, their experience's alignment with the role and project's requirements, and their adaptability to work with a team. Candidates shall be informed of the result of their application by the relevant entity.

Applicants need not be citizens of the Republic of Cyprus. Applicants should however ensure, before applying, that in case they are selected they will be residing in Cyprus on a full-time basis during the employment period; submission of application implies acceptance of this condition.

The University of Cyprus shall collect and process your personal data according to the provisions of the General Regulation on Personal Data 2016/679 (EU).

The University of Cyprus (UCY) is committed to promoting inclusivity, diversity, and equality, as well as the elimination of all forms of discrimination in order to provide a fair, safe, and pleasant environment for the entire university community, where students and staff members will feel supported both in their professional and personal development, within and beyond their multiple identities. To this end, UCY seeks to create the necessary conditions that will encourage and respect diversity, and ensure dignity both in the workplace and society at large. Moreover, UCY has adopted specific policies to promote equal opportunities, as well as respect and understanding of diversity, while it is committed to promoting and maintaining a working, teaching, and learning environment, free from any form of discrimination, whether direct or indirect.