

**UNIVERSITY OF CYPRUS
VACANCY FOR A POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCHER POSITION
ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESEARCH UNIT**

Position title:	Postdoctoral researcher
No. of vacancies:	One (1)
Category:	Contract for 18 months with the possibility of renewal.
Place of vacancy:	Archaeological Research Unit, Department of History and Archaeology, University of Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus.

The University of Cyprus invites applications for the vacancy of one (1) Postdoctoral Researcher full time position at the Archaeological Research Unit. The selected candidate will work for the operation (lectures and Labs) of the Graduate Program “Digital Heritage and Landscape Archaeology” of the University of Cyprus and the production of research work that will arise from the activities of the Silvia Ioannou Chair on Digital Humanities.

The Silvia Ioannou Fellowship in Digital Humanities is a prestigious Postdoctoral position, and the selected candidate will have the opportunity to be involved in the research activities of the Digital Humanities Geoinformatics Lab at the Archaeological Research Unit of the University of Cyprus.

The Digital Humanities Geoinformatics Lab comprises a vibrant research group, housed in the heart of Nicosia, Cyprus. Directed by Prof Dr Apostolos Sarris, the Lab employs several international Postdoctoral and PhD researchers, and offers access to research space, high powered computers, geophysical instrumentation and specialized processing software. The fellow will be part of an active team with expertise in Geophysical Prospection, Geographical Information Systems (GIS), Satellite Remote Sensing, Computational methods, Database design, and more. Activities of the lab include basic research, teaching at the graduate program “Digital Heritage and Landscape Archaeology”, and collaborative fieldwork in different countries throughout the year. Through international collaboration and research amongst team members, the Lab offers a dedicated, supporting environment for the professional development of young researchers.

The Silvia Ioannou Fellowship is awarded to an excellent postdoctoral scholar who works on the interface of digital technologies and heritage/archaeological sciences. The Fellow is expected to conduct independent research and produce one significant piece of academic output (40%). The fellow will also assist in the teaching duties of the Graduate Program “Digital Heritage and Landscape Archaeology” (40%). Under supervision of the director of the Lab, the fellow will produce/contribute to a research proposal for a national or international funding body to help support further career opportunities (20%).

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, despite the fact that they will have flexibility to participate in their own fieldwork research projects elsewhere. Submission of application implies acceptance of this condition.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Engagement in high-level research in Geoinformatics (Geographical Information Systems (GIS), Geophysical Prospection, Satellite Remote Sensing, Computational methods, Statistical analysis, Network Analysis) in Archaeological Research.
- Support in the teaching process of the Graduate program of Digital Heritage and Landscape Archaeology (lectures, laboratories, practical training, etc.).
- Writing of an article in a peer-review scientific journal in collaboration with the head professor of the Chair of Silvia Ioannou on Digital Humanities.
- Participation in conferences and publication of relevant research results in collaboration with the head professor of the Chair of Silvia Ioannou on Digital Humanities and/or other members of the research team.
- Writing of a research proposal in collaboration with the head professor of the Chair.

NECESSARY QUALIFICATIONS

- Candidates must have a PhD in one of the following or related fields: Landscape archaeology, geosciences (e.g. GIS, topography, geology, environment, etc.), natural sciences, computer sciences and computer Geoinformatics, all of which in close relation to archaeological applications.
- The doctoral degree should come from a recognized higher education institution.
- Expertise in the application of GIS (ArGIS Pro and its extensions).
- Track record of publication, commensurate with career stage.
- Candidates must possess excellent skills in their research field and in writing scientific papers and research proposals in the English language.

ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- Proven research experience (at least 1-2 years) in the above fields through their participation in European or international research programs.
- Programming skills.

TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT

The initial contract is for a period of 18 months for full-time employment (140 hours per month), with the possibility of renewal. The monthly gross salary is € 2,400 (gross earnings, before taxes). Employee contributions to the various Governmental Funds will be deducted from this amount.

The initial contract can start the earliest on April 2nd, 2025 or later until September 1st, 2025.

RIGHTS/OBLIGATIONS

Postdoctoral Researchers have the following rights and obligations:

- (a) They can use the equipment and the facilities of the University (according to the relevant Usage Rules).
- (b) They have the right to work under safe and healthy conditions.
- (c) They will work under the supervision of the head of the Silvia Ioannou Chair "Digital Humanities", to whom they are accountable.

SUBMISSION OF NECESSARY DOCUMENTS

Candidates should submit the following documents:

- (a) Cover letter (in English) explaining the suitability of the person for the postdoctoral position announced.
- (b) Curriculum Vitae in English.
- (c) Copies of University degrees (BA/BSc, MA/MSc and PhD).
- (d) Names and contact details of two (2) referees (preferably academics). Preferably two (2) recent reference letters.

The selected candidate will be asked to submit copies of their university degrees certified by the Ministry of Education (in cases of private and public Institutions in Cyprus) or from the Issuing Authority (in cases of Academic Institutions abroad).

All the above should be sent via email to asarri01@ucy.ac.cy **no later than Sunday February 23rd 2025 at 23:59 Cyprus local time** (GMT+2), with the indication (subject) «Silvia Ioannou Chair for Digital Humanities - Post-Doctoral Researcher 2025».

For more information, potential candidates may contact Professor Apostolos Sarris, Silvia Ioannou Chair for Digital Humanities, at the email: asarri01@ucy.ac.cy

The best candidates that satisfy the required qualifications will be interviewed online by a 3-member Committee.

Candidates shall be informed of the result of their application by the relevant entity.

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 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.