CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST:
UCL QATAR VISITING FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME

UCL Qatar is inviting application for its Academic Fellowship Programme.

In its pursuit of research-led teaching excellence, UCL Qatar wishes to host a number of outstanding Visiting Fellows who can promote the rich and diverse academic experience of our students and staff, enhance the teaching and research profile of the institution, and expand the intellectual environment of UCL and our partners in the Qatar Foundation’s Education City and across the State of Qatar.

Visiting Fellows will conduct their own research in Doha for short periods (from one up to a maximum of six months) and will collaborate with UCL Qatar’s staff and students by contributing to its teaching and research culture. Visiting Fellows will have the opportunity to interact with the truly international and diverse academic environment provided in Education City. A facility unique to the region and the world, Education City is an academic and research hub where scholars and students from all over the world attend some among the most prestigious American and European Universities, creating an intensely lively and vibrant research culture.

By bringing the wealth of their research and academic excellence, Fellows will enrich this intellectual landscape. Through their interactions with UCL Qatar’s academic community, they will help forge new and exciting links across institutions who share similar global interests and goals.

UCL Qatar is a partnership initiative between the Qatar Foundation and University College London.

For more details on the Qatar Foundation visit www.qf.org.qa
For more details on UCL Qatar visit www.ucl.ac.uk/qatar

Location

Education City, Doha, Qatar

Who should apply?

Applicants for Visiting Fellowships should have an institutional affiliation to a University, or equivalent research or cultural institution or private company active in the fields of cultural heritage and/or information studies, or be an independent or emeritus researcher. They must hold higher research degrees and/or relevant equivalent professional or research experience and publications.
Categories of Fellowships

Four categories of Fellowships are available, subject relevant to experience:

a) Associate Visiting Fellow;
b) Senior Visiting Fellow;
c) Principal Visiting Fellow;
d) Professorial Visiting Fellow.

Associate Visiting Fellow

This fellowship scheme is available to PhD candidates or early career doctoral scholars (first or second year after completing their PhD) who:

- will pursue their research in topics related to museum, library and information studies, heritage, digital humanities, archaeology or art in the MENA region;
- will gain teaching experience by contributing to the teaching on UCL Qatar’s two MA programmes (Museum and Gallery Practice and Library and Information Studies), or/and;
- pursue their research, in collaboration with academics of UCL Qatar and/or reputable cultural institutions in the region, including Qatar Museums and Qatar National Library.

Senior Visiting Fellow

This fellowship scheme is available to individuals already engaged in academic activity in the field of museum, library and information studies, heritage, digital humanities, archaeology or art in the MENA region who are:

- mid-career academics and researchers, or;
- experienced independent researchers, or;
- Researchers working in relevant industries or businesses (with some academic experience since their PhD).

Principal Visiting Fellow

This fellowship scheme is available to individuals already engaged in academic activity in the field of museum, library and information studies, heritage, digital humanities, archaeology or art in the MENA region who:

- are internationally established academics and researchers (with substantial academic experience since being awarded their PhD) with
- have experience of working independently or for established public or private institutions.

This fellowship is also available for emeritus academics.
**Professorial Visiting Fellow**

This fellowship scheme is available to individuals already engaged in academic activity in the field of museum, library and information studies, heritage, digital humanities, archaeology or art in the MENA region who:

- are internationally established academics and researchers who (with substantial academic experience since being awarded their PhD), and;
- hold a professorial or equivalent position in any internationally acknowledged academic or research institution.

This fellowship is also available for emeritus academics of professorial grade.

**Senior, Principal and Professorial Visiting Fellows will**

- be invited to collaborate with UCL Qatar in an area relevant to the academic fields of interest to UCL Qatar. This includes topics related to museum, library and information studies, heritage, digital humanities, archaeology, curatorship or art in the MENA region, and;
- contribute to UCL Qatar’s research culture and activities, and;
- be expected to participate in the academic life of UCL Qatar by delivering lectures, workshops, public lectures and/or participate in other organisational activities as required.

**How to apply?**

Scholars interested in this scheme will need to submit:

1. CV/Cover letter: the *Curriculum Vitae* to include a list of publications and/or relevant professional activities.
2. A project proposal: applicants should include the title of their project, a description of their research that will be undertaken including tangible outcomes, justification for why UCL Qatar is an appropriate host for their research, contributions they will make to academic discourse during their stay in UCL Qatar, e.g. seminars, Master Class, public lectures, workshops, etc. In addition, applicants must define the period and duration of their suggested visit during the academic year.
3. Names of two referees, who UCL Qatar can contact on receipt of the application, as necessary.

**Dates**

The deadline for expressions of interest for the academic year 2019/20 is **10 July 2019**.

The selection of Visiting Fellows for the period October 2019 – March 2020 will be announced by 31 July 2019.
Applications should be sent by e-mail to: Ms. Nancy Malaeb (n.malaeb@ucl.ac.uk).

Funding and Visa
A generous contribution towards in-country living costs, dependent on the category of Fellowship awarded, will be provided by UCL Qatar.

In addition, all Visiting Fellows will receive:

- one return economy flight to/from Doha and their home country, as well as transportation to and from the airport;
- suitable accommodation for the duration of the visit. The kind of accommodation will depend on the length of stay and availability at the time of visit. The accommodation provided will be at the sole discretion of UCL Qatar.

UCL Qatar will process the application for the appropriate visa for entry into Qatar once the selection process is complete and individual offers have been accepted. Should a Fellow need to travel outside Qatar during their collaboration with UCL Qatar, they will do so at their own expense and subject to the relevant visa and immigration criteria at that time. Entry visas to Qatar are subject to approval by the State of Qatar’s Ministry of Interior.

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