

## UNESCO/POLAND CO-SPONSORED FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME in Archaeology and Conservation, edition 2026/2027

With a view to promoting human resource capacities and to enhancing international understanding and friendship among nations and the peoples of Poland, the Polish National Commission for UNESCO, in cooperation with the Adam Mickiewicz University (UAM) in Poznan, Faculty of Archaeology, have placed at the disposal of certain Member States (see Annex II) **seven (7)** fellowships of **nine (9)** months duration each, in Poland, between 1 October 2026 and 30 June 2027.

Details regarding the fellowships offered and the criteria of selection are listed below. The Polish authorities will make the final decision.

### A. QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

- (i) Candidates should have a Bachelor of Arts (B.A) or a Master of Arts (M.A) degree, preferably in Archaeology or Conservation.
- (ii) Be proficient in reading and writing in English.
- (iii) No more than 40 years old.

### B. FACILITIES OFFERED BY THE POLISH AUTHORITIES

- (i) Free tuition and access to the university facilities based on the local regulations. Accommodation at the Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan Student Campus organised for fellows by the Host institution.
- (ii) A Monthly allowance, according to two scholarship rates determined by the last academic degree obtained by the fellowship holder: PLN 2,200 for Master of Arts (M.A) and PLN 1,800 for Bachelor of Arts (B.A) (1 USD = approximately 4,00 PLN). Thus, all living expenses and accommodation in Poland are to be borne by the fellow with this allowance; and
- (iii) A one-time special allowance of 2,200 PLN for Master of Arts (M.A) or 1,800 PLN for Bachelor of Arts (B.A), to be paid upon arrival in Poland, this sum will cover different activities related to your stay in Poznan, such as cultural, historical and/or touristic visits, conferences, workshops, and seminars related to your studies.
- (iv) The possibility of applying for additional funds from other sources.

**No provision to finance or lodge family members is made.**

At the end of the research studies, the beneficiaries will receive a certificate attesting to their attendance at the host institution, this certificate will be given after receipt of the requested reports and financial clearance from the Institution.

### C. FACILITIES OFFERED BY UNESCO

- (i) **International travel expenses** (by the most direct, economical route): from the beneficiary's country to and from Poland will be covered by UNESCO under its Regular Programme Budget.
- (ii) **Health insurance for fellowship beneficiaries who are declared medically fit:** UNESCO fellowship holders may be covered by a health insurance policy, taken out by the Organization for the duration of fellowship. UNESCO will subscribe the health insurance on behalf of awarded fellows and cover the cost incurred.
- (iii) **One-time special pocket allowance** amounting to 120 (one hundred and twenty) US dollars

## D. VISA

Fellows, from countries where Polish Embassies or Consulates exist, will have to obtain their entry visa to the country of study prior to their departure. Fellows, from countries where no such an Embassy or Consulate exists, must secure their visa through the nearest Embassy of the Republic of Poland.

UNESCO and the Government of the Republic of Poland **provide no allowance** to defray passport and visa expenses. Selected beneficiaries will have **to secure their own visas themselves.**

## E. SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS

Candidatures should be endorsed by the National Commissions of the invited Member States, and each invited Member States can submit two (2) candidatures at the maximum.

Letters of endorsement, as well as the scanned copies of all the required supporting documents of the nominated candidates must be submitted by the National Commission for UNESCO of a candidate's country by email to [archaeology.poland@unesco.org](mailto:archaeology.poland@unesco.org) (with [Fellowships.Archaeology@unesco.pl](mailto:Fellowships.Archaeology@unesco.pl) in copy) **by 15 May 2026 (midnight Paris time)** at the latest.

Applications must include the following supporting documents:

- (i) UNESCO fellowships application forms, including medical certificate, **all four (4) pages** duly completed **in English using capital letter** (illegible documents will be eliminated from the evaluation procedure, and handwriting form must be written in capital letters only);
- (ii) A copy of the identity photo of the applicant.
- (iii) A scanned copy of passport.
- (iv) Certified copies **(in English)** of bachelor's or master's degree/ PhD obtained.
- (v) UNESCO certificate of language knowledge, duly completed by a relevant authority, if the mother tongue of the candidate is not English; and
- (vi) Two letters of recommendation from someone related to the candidate's work, as well confirming the candidate's qualifications.

Candidates who do not fulfil the above-mentioned requirements or fail to submit complete application before the deadline will lose their eligibility in the selection.

Only the selected candidates will be notified of the results through their respective National Commissions for UNESCO.

## IMPORTANT

National authorities have the responsibility to ensure that all candidates are duly informed of the above-mentioned conditions prior to the submission of applications.

All correspondence should be in English.