

Subject: [URB-GEOG-FORUM] Urban Studies foundation Post-doctoral Research Fellowships: Invitation to Submit Expressions of Interest to CURA

Dear Colleagues

The Centre for Urban Research on Austerity (CURA) seeks expressions of interest from outstanding early career scholars eligible to apply for an Urban Studies Foundation Postdoctoral Research Fellowship. You must have been awarded a PhD within five years of the application deadline (1st November 2021). If you do not yet have a formal letter of award, you are not eligible for this call.

We are particularly interested in applications on the broad theme of cities in and beyond COVID-19, and from scholars in Latin America. However, we welcome applications in any sphere of urban studies and from anywhere in the world, provided the proposed research aligns with the work of a potential mentor in CURA. To find out more about CURA and potential mentors, please explore our website <https://cura.our.dmu.ac.uk>. Our research brochure can be downloaded from <https://cura.our.dmu.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2020/09/CURA-Brochure-Published-September-2020.pdf>.

If you are interested in working with CURA towards an application, please email an Expression of Interest (Eoi) to Jonathan Davies at jsdavies@dmu.ac.uk no later than **Friday 23rd September**. Before submitting an EOI, please carefully study the documents at <https://urbanstudiesfoundation.org/funding/postdoctoral-research-fellowships/>, especially *Further Particulars* and *Frequently Asked Questions*. The Eoi should include three elements:

- A CV with details of achievements in urban studies, including publications, grant awards and prizes.
- An outline proposal of up to 1,000 words setting out the proposed research programme. This should include research questions and goals, explaining how the project goes beyond the 'state of the art' in the field and what makes it innovative (e.g. conceptually, methodologically, empirically) and anticipated contributions to the field of urban studies (including non-academic beneficiaries where appropriate).
- A covering letter of no more than 2 pages demonstrating eligibility, highlighting synergies with CURA and identifying a potential mentor or mentors, and explaining what makes you an outstanding candidate for this Fellowship with reference to USF criteria.

Applications will be reviewed by a panel of CURA members. Successful candidate(s) at Eoi stage will be notified by Friday 30th September. They will work with a CURA mentor to develop the full application for submission to USF by **1st November 2021**. We will provide brief feedback to unsuccessful candidates.

We look forward to hearing from you. Please feel free to email me if you have any queries.

Regards

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