

American School of Prehistoric Research Junior Fellowship

The American School of Prehistoric Research (ASPR), which supports research and education in Old World prehistory, is pleased to announce ASPR Junior Fellowships: postdoctoral research fellowships at Harvard University for recent PhDs who are pursuing independent research on Old World prehistory.

Eligible candidates can be of any nationality but must be at an early stage of their scholarly career doing research that focuses on Old World prehistory. It is expected that ASPR Junior Fellows will have received their PhD just prior to the start of the fellowship. Degree recipients should be less than three years past the Ph.D. at the time the fellowship commences.

ASPR Junior Fellows will be affiliated with one or more academic departments at Harvard and have a research mentor on the Harvard Faculty, ordinarily but not necessarily in the departments of Anthropology or Human Evolutionary Biology. ASPR Junior Fellows are expected to be young scholars with a proven record of high quality, original, independent research. They will be chosen by the Program Board of the American School of Prehistoric Research. ASPR Junior Fellows are invited to offer one course per year in a Harvard department of their choosing, but otherwise are expected to conduct independent research. They may not take courses for credit or teach more than one course per year, and they are expected to be in residence at Harvard during the academic year when not conducting fieldwork.

Currently, there will be two ASPR Junior Fellows at a time, each for an appointment of two years with the possibility for extension to a maximum of three years. As a result, applications for ASPR Junior Fellows may not be offered every year.

During 2024/2025 the stipend for ASPR Junior Fellows will be \$80,000 with full benefits, and they will receive a research stipend of \$20,000/year. The appointment will begin on July 1st, 2024.

Prior to applying, candidates are encouraged to communicate with appropriate members of the faculty at Harvard with similar research interests and who are willing to serve as mentors. Applications include a research proposal no longer than 1000 words describing the research they would like to pursue while an ASPR Junior Fellow, and a CV that outlines previous scholarship and other qualifications. Candidates should also solicit two letters of recommendation that include an assessment of the candidate's work and promise. The candidate is also requested to provide transcripts of both undergraduate and graduate records, and samples of independent work such as published papers. Questions can be sent to Clara Alexander (calexander@fas.harvard.edu), Dan Lieberman (danlieb@fas.harvard.edu), or Rowan Flad (rflad@fas.harvard.edu).

Applications (including all required materials: research proposal, CV, two letters of recommendation, transcripts, and work samples) are due on January 25, 2024, and should be submitted via the following link: <https://academicpositions.harvard.edu/postings/13172>

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