Distinguished Chair in Law at the University of Trento

Award # 10504

Grant Category: Teaching/Research

Number of Awards: One grant

Discipline and specialization: Law
Specializations: Comparative Law, International Law, Legal History, Economic Analysis of the Law

Grant period and activity: Three months. Grants must begin in March 2021.

This grant will be heavily weighted toward teaching, though some time for research may be available. Teach undergraduate students for approximately 40/42 hours (six hours a week) to classes of 10-30 students; teach seminars to doctoral students for approximately five hours to classes of 5 to 10 students. The scholar is expected to prepare reading assignments for students. No further duties are expected from the Fulbright scholar, but he/she is encouraged to advise students who might be interested in the fields of his/her interest, and also to cooperate with the Trento teaching staff sharing similar research and teaching areas.

The Faculty of Law of the University of Trento has among its academic staff a large number of people working with a focus on comparative and international law who speak English, so there are good opportunities for developing research and teaching synergies with the local staff. In 2017-18 the Law School will start a new three-year course in Comparative, European and International Legal Studies (CEILS), taught entirely in English. Moreover, the Faculty of Law works together with other institutions of the University, particularly the School of International Studies, a graduate School that offers a masters’ and PhD programme taught by lawyers, economists, political scientists, historians and philosophers. Therefore, there are good opportunities for cooperation in the broader context of social sciences.

In addition to being a prestigious academic exchange program, the Fulbright Program is designed to expand and strengthen relationships between the people of the United States and citizens of other nations and to promote international understanding and cooperation. To support this mission, Fulbright Scholars will be asked to give public talks, mentor students, and otherwise engage with the host community, in addition to their primary activities.

During the Fulbright grant, the scholar may be also invited to take part in academic meetings, conferences, seminars and other program-related activities organized by Italian or European universities, under the Fulbright Inter-Country Program http://www.fulbright.it/fulbright-intercountry/.

Qualifications:

Ph.D. required. Open to academics only.

The Law School in Trento favors flexibility, emphasizing personal qualities of individual scholars. Applicants in law will be given priority, although in some areas (for example, law and economics, law and society), different degrees are welcome.

Full professors are a strong fit for this award, although accomplished associate professors are encouraged to apply, provided they are not overspecialized.
Language: All teaching will be in English; additional language proficiency not required.

Letter of Invitation and project proposal: Letter of invitation should not be requested. Applicants should submit a detailed project proposal in the Fulbright US Scholar application.

Award benefits: The grant amounts to € 30.100. This sum includes a maintenance allowance of € 29.000 for three months and a travel allowance of € 1.100. The grantee will be covered by Health and Accident Insurance for the whole grant period, provided to participants in the Fulbright cultural exchange Program by the United States Department of State.

Housing will be provided by the University of Trento. The university will provide office space, personal computer, access to computer network and data banks and access to the library. The university can provide a bicycle and access to various sport facilities. The university will also provide a card to have lunch in one of the university's canteens and other restaurants having an arrangement with the university.

How to apply: Fulbright Scholar Awards to Italy are assigned through an annual competition administered at the national level in the US by the Council for International Exchange of Scholars - CIES in Washington DC, in collaboration with the Fulbright Commission in Italy. Potential candidates can apply online through CIES (https://apply.iie.org/apply/). Information on the Fulbright US Scholar Program, catalogue of awards, eligibility requirements, tips, guidelines and resources for applying, review criteria, selection and competition timeline is available on CIES website at https://www.cies.org/program/fulbright-us-scholar-program.

Application Deadline: Monday, September 16, 2019

Host Institutions:

Università degli Studi di Trento
Facoltà di Giurisprudenza
University website: www.unitn.it
Faculty of Law website: http://portale.unitn.it/giurisprudenza (information about the host institution, including research opportunities).
Helpful Link: http://international.unitn.it/

Due to a recent reorganization of the academic structures of the University of Trento, some of the websites mentioned above might not be updated. Updated information will be included as soon as it is available.
For information about the grant, please contact Fulbright Commission staff:

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Resources on the Italian university system and research:

- MIUR - Ministry of Education, Universities and Research - www.istruzione.it
  Italian Government - Ministry of Education, Universities and Research
- CRUI - Conference of Italian University Rectors - www.crui.it
  National Conference of Italian state and private universities
- ENIC-NARIC network - www.enic-naric.net/index.aspx?c=Italy
  Italy Country page on the ENIC-NARIC network of European Information Centers on academic recognition and mobility
- Ricerca Italiana - www.ricercaitaliana.it
  National portal on the world of Italian Research
- ICCU - www.iccu.sbn.it
  National Institute for the Italian Library Catalogue

Travelling to Italy

- ITALIA - www.italia.it
  Discover Italy - info, ideas and resources for the travel to Italy
- CULTURA ITALIA, Un patrimonio da esplorare - www.culturaitalia.it
  Italian Ministry of Cultural Heritage and Activities - Cultural paths and resources from the world of Italian culture
The University of Trento is a young and dynamic university with 15,000 students and about 1,200 people working as faculty and administrative and technical staff. Quality of research and teaching, internationalization and strong, positive relations with the community are the main priorities of the University of Trento.

The university is organised into three distinct sites. The Faculties of Economics, Law, Sociology, Humanities and Philosophy and the School of International Studies are all situated close together in the heart of the historic centre of Trento, just a short walk from the Cathedral and from the town's most frequented venues. Only five minutes by bus from Trento’s rail station and with excellent links to the city by public transport are the Faculties of Engineering and of Science. Surrounded by nature they comprise the university’s campus in the hills. 25 km from Trento, in the town of Rovereto, famous as the home of the Museum of modern and contemporary art (Mart), is the Faculty of Cognitive Sciences. With the inauguration of this faculty in 2004, the university broadened its scope to include neurosciences, a particularly innovative area of study and research of great interest for the future developments it promises. Here research is conducted within the departments and at numerous research and study centres. Besides the most important fields handled such as ICT, environmental engineering, materials engineering, physics, international studies, transnational law, experimental economics and social studies, prestigious research centres have recently been founded including the Centre for Mind/Brain Sciences (CIMeC) and the Centre for Integrative Biology (CIBio). The area also hosts several prestigious research centres such as the Bruno Kessler Foundation and the Edmund Mach Foundation.

Everything is within reach and easily accessible in Trento. Libraries, university canteens, laboratories, cultural activities and special services. The University of Trento offers 5 libraries, open even during the evening, with IT rooms equipped with fixed PCs and a laptop PC service. There are 5 university canteens: 3 in the city and 2 up the hill at the Faculties of Engineering and Science. The university also operates its own Language Learning Centre with extensive and intensive courses in 7 foreign languages, as well as courses in Italian for foreigners.

It is very important, especially for a small to medium-sized university like Trento, to create partnerships with distinguished universities and research centres all around the world in order to better face the challenges of global competition. This is why over the years the University of Trento has created a rich cooperation network which allows itself to integrate its educational opportunities and to promote fruitful relationships in teaching and research.
The relationship between the University and the territory has strengthened over the years and today the University represents for the community both a precious cultural resource and an important factor of social, cultural and economic development.

In recent years the University of Trento has been evaluated as one of the best universities in Italy, in some cases even the best one among small to medium-sized universities. In 2008 all faculties were rated the 1st or 2nd in Italy, except for the Faculty of Cognitive Sciences, which could not be evaluated since it is the only one in Italy. Good results were also achieved at an international level. This success is due, among other factors, to the high quality of teaching, research and services, the strong collaboration with foreign universities and the great number of study grants and student accommodations offered by the Opera Universitaria.

The University of Trento strongly believes in sport not only as a relaxation and leisure activity but also as a personal growth and socialization tool. The University and the University Guild have recently started up the Trentino university sport system, an integrated programme of sport and recreational activities which makes optimum use of the available resources and of the opportunities offered by the beautiful natural setting of the university. Thanks to the collaboration with the University Sports Centre, students and professors can attend courses in a variety of disciplines, from the more traditional, such as skiing or sailing on the lakes of the Trentino region, to the more unusual, such as gliding.

Living in Trento means enjoying the advantages of a region that is renowned for its superior quality of life, general well-being and natural environment of extraordinary beauty, where the sun paints the panorama in different hues, creating new sensations for every season.