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CALL NOW OPEN

Croatian Visiting Professorship

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Deadline

15 October 2026

Applications open

21 August 2026

Access application form:



The **Wirth Institute for Austrian and Central European Studies** is pleased to announce the call for the first **Croatian Visiting Professor** at the **University of Alberta**. Pursuant to Appendix A of the Memorandum of Understanding between the University of Alberta and the **Ministry of Science, Education, and Youth of the Republic of Croatia**, the details of the call are as follows:

We invite applicants from any of the fields covered by the **University of Alberta Faculty of Arts (Humanities, Social Sciences, Fine/Performing Arts)**. The University of Alberta is one of the top-ranked universities in Canada, ranked in the top 100 worldwide, and has enormous library and digital facilities. To learn more about UAlberta's research strengths, applicants should consult the lists below and state clearly which of these areas best align with their own interests.

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Faculty pursuing interdisciplinary topics are heavily encouraged to apply, as we can facilitate cross-department appointments. Currently, areas at the University with a vested interest in promoting deeper connections with Croatian research units include:

- Archeology
- Women and Gender Studies
- Environmental Studies
- Gaming Studies
- Digital Humanities/AI
- Security Studies

This list is not a limitation. We are soliciting applications from all fields linked to the Humanities, Social Sciences, and Fine Arts broadly defined. To date we have also successfully hosted Visiting Professors and Doctoral Fellows from Europe in the fields of Anthropology, Arts, Economics, Film Studies, History, Indigenous Studies, Jewish Studies, Linguistics, Literature, Music, Philosophy, Political Science, and Sociology.

The Ministry of Science, Education, and Youth of the Republic of Croatia will provide appropriate funding to enable the appointment of a visiting professor (any level). The Croatian Visiting Professor will become a full member of a Faculty of Arts department, as designated by the Dean. The appointment shall be for an initial term of 1 year, with the possibility of renewal for up to an additional 1 year. Any reappointment shall be based on the recommendation of the hosting department chair and subject to Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada and Croatian Ministry of Science, Education, and Youth approval. The visiting professorship does not require faculty to use their sabbatical to accept the offer and arrangements will be made between the Croatian Ministry and the faculty's home department in Croatia to ensure courses and responsibilities are covered while the faculty member is in Canada.

The tasks of this Croatian Visiting professor at the University of Alberta are:

1. **Reduced Teaching load:** Croatian Visiting Professors will be expected to teach 1 course per semester, typically at the undergraduate level. The subject of courses offered will be determined by the priority of the relevant UAlberta host department and will feature coverage on a Central European subject appropriate to the academic specialization of the individual concerned (Croatian themes, topics, and/or case studies are encouraged within these courses).
2. **Research:** The reduced teaching load for the Croatian Visiting Professor is directly connected to the expectation that upon arrival at the University of Alberta research interests and potential collaborations will be fostered, hopefully in building potential future publication or grant possibilities between the Croatian Visiting Professor and UAlberta faculty and students.
3. **Service:** The Croatian Visiting Professor is expected to participate fully in providing scholarly and organizational input for the preparation of Wirth Institute events such as symposia, conferences, community events, etc.

The Ministry of Science, Education, and Youth of the Republic of Croatia will transfer the funds directly to the home institution to cover salary of the candidate, with a minimum of CAD80,000 per year, dependent on the faculty member's experience and current salary.

Courses taught at the University of Alberta must be in English or French. This requires a high fluency level (preferably B2/C1) to adequately communicate with undergraduates in the lecture hall. If you plan to seek a Visiting Professorship in French, please reach out to the Wirth Institute before submitting your application so we can assess availability at our francophone campus.

Complete applications should be submitted via the Google Form below beginning Friday, August 21st and no later than **Friday, October 15th, 2026**. Interviews for finalists will be held in early November. An offer will be made before December, with a start date of mid-August, 2027.

[Click here to access the application form](#)

Applications must include:

- A letter of introduction, indicating why the candidate is applying for the Visiting Professor Position. Maximum 2 pages single-spaced.
- A CV (with contact information), indicating the applicant's educational background, and most relevant publications, grants, awards experience, teaching experience. Maximum 3 pages single-spaced.
- A research statement indicating what project(s) the candidate is pursuing. Maximum 2 pages single-spaced.
- A list of 4 potential courses the applicant would be interested in teaching, with a short description of what each course would emphasize.
- A list of at least three potential references, with contact information, and a sentence description of how you know the referee. If you have any contacts at the University of Alberta to support your application, feel free to include them here as well.

For further information concerning eligibility requirements, please consult the Croatian Ministry's Senior Advisor for the Independent Sector for European Affairs and International Cooperation, **Marija Crnić** at Marija.Crnic@mzom.hr after August 20, 2026.