Programme for Researcher in Residence, Faculty of Theology, VU University Amsterdam

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The Programme
The Faculty of Theology of VU University Amsterdam has international research ambitions. The programme for Researchers (or Scholars) in Residence is one way in which the Faculty hopes to achieve these ambitions. The programme has the following components:

1. Senior scholars (MA or Phd) from other institutions of higher education may do research for a period of two to three months at the Faculty.
2. A stipend of € 3.500.00 is available to cover transportation, housing, and living expenses.
3. Scholars will be invited to apply by the Faculty of Theology.
4. The visiting scholar will have the opportunity to participate in the research seminar of the department of her or his area of expertise.
5. The visiting scholar will be expected to offer at least one guest class or lecture to students, a paper to the research seminar in which he or she participates, a short presentation to a general staff meeting and/or a presentation in association with the VU Institute for the Study of Religion, Culture, and Society (VISOR) in which the Faculty participates.
6. Publications that result from the research done in Amsterdam should name the Faculty of Theology and the period of residence in Amsterdam. A copy of the publication should be sent to the Dean of the Faculty and the head of the department or section in which the scholar participated.

Application procedure
1. After being approached and invited to apply a letter expressing interest can be sent by the candidate to the head of the department with which the researcher wishes to be affiliated.
2. The formal application must consist of a CV of scholarly activities and publications, a letter of support from the home institution of the researcher, a preliminary budget, and a description of the research one plans to do while in Amsterdam.
3. Once the Faculty Board has approved the application and the arrangements, a formal letter of invitation will be sent to the applicant.
4. The head of the department with which the researcher will be affiliated will supply the dean of the faculty with a short CV (with photo) of the Researcher in Residence and realize the publication of this short CV with photo on the faculty website prior to the researcher’s arrival. Shortly after the researcher’s arrival at VU University Amsterdam the head of the department will introduce the researcher to the dean.

More information
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