

Call for Applications for Senior/Visiting Research Fellowship 2026

The Lagos Africa Multiple Research Centre calls for applications for a short Visiting Fellowship between one and three months, the fellowship must be taken between July 1 and November 30, 2026. Scholars interested in major theme of RECONFIGURING African Studies through a multidisciplinary engagement are welcome.

The aim of the Fellowship is to expose senior scholars to a process of reconfiguring African Studies within the African context and realities. The scholarship will make the scholar a Fellow of Lagos – Africa Multiple Centre (AMRC). Fellows will be expected to participate in reconfiguring African Studies; this will entail re-examining basic assumptions and query them with multidisciplinary approaches to enhance, uphold, dismiss present knowledge about Africans or show the multiplicity in the discourses about Africa.

Eligibility: Applicant has to meet the following criteria

1. Hold a PhD degree for not less than 5 years, by the time of application;
2. Have conducted research, as part of the PhD and/or in later projects; with a focus on Africa;
3. Be actively pursuing an academic/research career;
4. Be published in chosen area of specialty;
5. In accordance with visa regulations, be ready to return to the country of which applicant is a citizen and/or a current resident upon completion of the fellowship, where applicable
6. Applicants must be based in an African Academic Institution, preferably in any of the AMRCs and the University of Bayreuth, Germany.

Expected result: Accepted applicant will be expected to share the output of collaboration in one of the Lagos–AMRC’s Monthly Lecture Series; be willing to participate in a joint research grant proposal, and publish/collaborate with one Lagos-AMRC researcher in publishing in a peer-reviewed journal, as a contribution to the Knowledge Lab.

Fellowship shall include:

- i) A return ticket (economy class), where applicable.
- ii) A monthly stipend to cover living expenses in Lagos.
- iii) Travel insurance in Nigeria
- iv) Accommodation in the University of Lagos: single room with shared facilities.
- v) The use of (shared) office facilities and of library facilities.

How to apply?

Please complete application form below and send it, together with all required additional documents, to: iads@unilag.edu.ng with a TITLE: “Senior/Visiting Fellow 2026”. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. Applications must be submitted in English.

The deadline for applications is **June 15, 2026**.

Application Instructions for the Visiting Research Fellowship 2026

Kindly submit an application package containing the items below in **one PDF** document to iads@unilag.edu.ng with the Subject: “**SENIOR/VISITING FELLOW 2026**”

The Application Package should include the following:

1. **Information Page** including
 - a. First Name, Surname
 - b. Date of Birth
 - c. Current Home Address
 - d. MA Degree (s) (Discipline, University, Year)
 - e. PhD Degree: (Discipline, Dissertation Title, University, Year)
 - f. Current Employment
 - g. List of any relevant paid positions in the last five years
 - h. Name of Lagos-AMRC Member that you would like to collaborate with
2. **CV** (listing five relevant publications;)
3. **Research proposal** (should contain)
 - a. Title of research proposal
 - b. Research proposal (max. 1500 words):
 - c. Scholarly and/or applied relevance to Lagos-AMRC interest (max 500):
 - d. Work plan: Please state intended research activities during the fellowship, month by month and note that Research area must be linked to one of the six Research Sections of the centre. Plan should state the intended outputs of collaboration, such as events, Lecture, publications, etc.
4. **Two letters of recommendation**, (one should be from present employer)
5. A **statement from a Lagos-AMRC cluster member** stating his/her willingness to collaborate with you.

Incomplete applications or applications by individuals who do not meet the requirements will not be attended to. The deadline for applications is **June 15, 2026**