

**Institute for Interdisciplinary Legal Studies – *lucernaiuris***

**VISITING FELLOWS PROGRAMME 2026**

**Deadline: 30 September 2025**

• **Visiting Fellows Programme**

The Visiting Fellows Programme is intended to accommodate promising young scholars who wish to spend a period of time at the institute pursuing research on a particular topic. During their stay, fellows enjoy access to our specialist resources, and are invited to share and develop their ideas via participation in lectures, seminars, colloquia and conferences.

Tailored to postgraduate and postdoctoral candidates, the programme is open not only to legal scholars but also to those working in the humanities and social sciences whose research promises significant insights for the institute's own areas of focus. The aim of the initiative is to generate new national and international collaborations, and to foster inter- and transdisciplinary exchange. We strongly believe that the academic and international diversity of our fellows greatly enriches the intellectual life of the institute.

Prior to submitting your application, please read through the Guidelines for Applicants, which are available on our website.

• **Research Areas**

The Institute for Interdisciplinary Legal Studies – *lucernaiuris* is a hub for cutting-edge teaching and research that crosses traditional boundaries between law, the humanities and the social sciences. Our current activities focus on the following main themes:

- Law and New Technologies
- Law and the Life Sciences
- Theories of Justice
- Histories of the Judiciary
- Law, Art and Politics
- Law and the Visual
- Legal Gender Studies

• **Applications**

Please complete the application form and send it, together with an up-to-date academic CV (inc. publication list, if applicable), to [lucernaiuris@unilu.ch](mailto:lucernaiuris@unilu.ch)

For enquiries, please contact Dr. Steven Howe ([steven.howe@unilu.ch](mailto:steven.howe@unilu.ch))

Deadline: **Tuesday 30 September 2025**. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

• **Personal Details**

Academic Title	
Given Name(s)	
Family Name	
Date of Birth	
Nationality	
Current Appointment / Study Status	
Home Institution	
Email Address	
Proposed Dates of Fellowship*	Start: _____ End: _____

\* Minimum Stay: 30 days. Maximum Stay: 60 days.

NB. Fellowships are available in the spring semester from **1 March to 30 June**, and in the autumn semester from **15 September – 15 December**. Exceptions may be possible but only at the discretion of the selection committee.

• **Research Project**

Title of Research Project	
Abstract (max. 500 words)	
Keywords (x5)	

- **Statement of Motivation**

Please provide in the space below a brief statement of motivation (max. 500 words). **We advise all applicants to consult our website, staff pages and annual reports prior to submission, and to clearly indicate (i) which of the institute's research areas their project falls within, and (ii) faculty members at the institute with whom they wish to collaborate.** Projects with no direct link to the specific interests of our main academic staff are less likely to be considered.

· **Referees**

Please provide in the space below contact details of two referees who can comment on your suitability for a fellowship	
REFEREE 1	
Name	
Academic Position	
Email Address	
Tel. No.	
Relationship	
REFEREE 2	
Name	
Academic Position	
Email Address	
Tel. No.	
Relationship	

· **How did you hear about the Visiting Fellows Programme?**

lucernaiuris website	
Email	
Flyer	
Word of Mouth	
Blog (which one?)	
Other (details)	

· **Declaration**

I hereby confirm that the information provided in this application is accurate.

Applicant's Name	
Signature	
Date	