

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

ELIGIBILITY FOR A BELLAGIO RESIDENCY

An applicant is eligible if:

1. Applicant(s) may not be “related parties” of members of The Rockefeller Foundation staff or its trustees.
2. Applicants meeting the U.S. Internal Revenue Service’s definition of a U.S. government official are not eligible to compete for a Bellagio residency.
3. Applicants may apply for a residency no more than three times (inclusive of Academic Writing, Arts & Literary Arts, and Practitioner Residencies).
4. Successful candidates have a lifetime limit of two residencies. Former residents applying for a second residency must wait at least five years since their first residency before submitting a new application, and must demonstrate significant professional achievement and/or project advancement since their first residency.

If you have any questions regarding your eligibility, please send an email to: Bellagio_res@iee.org.

PREPARING A SUCCESSFUL APPLICATION

As this is a competitive program:

- Applicants must ensure they address all questions and sections. Proofread all materials before submission;
- Bellagio evaluators will not support a rushed, or poorly prepared application, even if they believe the project has great potential; and
- Submit only requested for materials at the point of submission and meet the application requirements.
- The Rockefeller Foundation Bellagio Residency Program uses the online application system FluidReview (an automated system) to receive all Residency Program Applications.
- Please visit [The Rockefeller Foundation Bellagio Center Residency Program](#) site to find the online application.
- The application is available at the start of each competition round, generally October 1 and March 1 every year.

THE APPLICATION DOSSIER

The application consists of the following:

- Applicant Details Form
- Residency Application Questions
- Abbreviated C.V.
- Work Sample (specific requirements will vary per discipline)

- Project Plan / Outline
- Published Reviews (optional)
- Statement from Previous Bellagio Residents (if applying for a second residency)
- Recommender Questionnaire

Applicant Details Form

Personal details and contact information.

Residency Application Questions

Application questions address the applicant's background, an applicant's project, and the suitability of the project for the Bellagio Center. Applicant's answers in this section will help reviewers evaluate why this residency would be valuable to the applicant in the context of their overall career trajectory, the influence and impact of applicant's body of work, and what the applicant would contribute to the Bellagio program.

Abbreviated CV (no more than 10 pages)

The Centre will not accept professional biographies or narratives in lieu of a CV. The CV must have the following information:

- Academic degrees (degree-granting institution, field, and date of degree award);
- Current position (location, dates of employment, professional title, and responsibilities);
- Previous academic positions (**in chronological order**, including location, dates of employment, professional title, and responsibilities);
- An abbreviated list of academic publications (journal articles, books, chapters, exhibitions) including full citations with the name of publication, title of work, date of publication;
- Other relevant academic work (including supervision of master's and Ph.D. theses, conference presentations, grants / honours / awards, professional affiliations); and
- Other relevant non-academic work that demonstrates professional achievement.

Project Plan / Project Outline

The project plan or outline guidelines:

- Project plan/outlines should be **no more than 10 pages** (double spaced).
- Please include **information about any data sources used** and **clearly describe your project methodology**.
- Include information about the intended impact of the work on the field.

Published Reviews (optional)

- Optional (if applicable). A 'published review' for the purpose of this application refers to a published article or review written by someone else, about your previous work (a book, journal article, performance piece, or gallery show).
- Applicant to submit up to three published reviews, not to exceed twenty (20) pages combined.

Statement from Previous Bellagio Residents (if applying for a second residency)

- Former Bellagio residents who wish to apply again must also include a statement of up to 500 words describing what was accomplished during the previous residency, the specific outputs and outcomes, the critical response, and what has been accomplished since the residency. Successful second-time applicants must demonstrate significant professional achievement and/or project advancement since their first residency.
- For those who have previously applied or had previous residencies, there is a maximum limit of three applications and a maximum limit of two residencies. Previous residents and spouses must wait a minimum of five years in between residencies.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Bellagio Center Residency Applications are evaluated in three main areas:

- **The professional qualifications and achievements of the applicant:** Successful applicants must demonstrate significant professional contributions to their field over the course of their career or show evidence of being on a strong upward professional trajectory.
- **The quality and theme of the proposed project:** Successful applicants apply to work on projects that will introduce new thinking and knowledge to their field of study. Projects that are aligned with and will inform the discourse around the Rockefeller Foundation's strategic goals are often well suited to Bellagio.
- **The suitability of the project for the Bellagio Center:** The Bellagio Center must be an appropriate forum for the proposed project. Projects that require special equipment onsite, excursions off the grounds, or access to research libraries are not suited. Successful applicants can clearly articulate how the multi-disciplinary environment of Bellagio will contribute to their work.