

## **The Australians Studying Abroad Bill Kent Memorial Higher Degree Research Fellowship [aka The ASA Bill Kent HDR Fellowship]**

### **Objectives**

This Fellowship honours the late Professor Bill Kent and his fifteen-year collaboration with Australians Studying Abroad. In 1995 Bill Kent and ASA launched Monash's and Australia's first overseas for credit unit, The Renaissance in Florence. This remains one of the Arts Faculty's most successful courses taught out of the Monash University Prato Centre.

The ASA Bill Kent Memorial HDR Fellowship is directed to prospective and enrolled postgraduate researchers with the aim of supporting and building the Medieval and Renaissance research focus at the Monash University Centre at Prato. To this end, ASA will offer an annual fellowship to allow a potential/actual postgraduate researcher to pursue an aspect of his/her own research in Europe, whilst based at the Prato Centre. He/she would be expected to participate in the annual Medieval/Renaissance workshop at Monash Prato of the particular year.

Normally, the Fellowship is to be taken in early December to coincide with the postgraduate workshop, organized in conjunction with the Prato Consortium for Medieval and Renaissance Studies.

### **Support offered**

The annual fellowship will comprise an airfare to a maximum value of \$2500.00 (airfare and taxes). ASA reserves the right to choose the appropriate airfare/flights. A Travelex card to the equivalent of \$500.00 will also be provided as a one-off contribution to accommodation and sustenance. (Please note no cash will be given out).

### **Selection**

The selection committee will consist of the academic committee members of the Centre for Medieval and Renaissance Studies at Monash, with the outcome approved by the Director, or nominee, of Australians Studying Abroad.

### **Review of arrangement**

This fellowship will endure whilst ASA collaborates with a number of Monash University schools and departments in running existing (and future) credit courses even though it is not specifically related to these programs.