Palan Foundation National Army Museum Research Fellowship in Indian Military History

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Selwyn College is home to students of all backgrounds from the UK and across the world. We are proud of our diversity. We therefore welcome staff whatever their race, gender, sexuality, disability or religious belief, and we’re keen to receive applications from people who may be under-represented in our community.

Selwyn College, in association with the National Army Museum London, invites applications for the stipendiary Palan Foundation NAM Research Fellowship in Indian Military History, tenable for three years from 1 October 2020. The successful candidate will conduct research into the military history of British India, broadly defined as the history of the British Indian Army, its personnel and its role in the life of British India, from the 18th century up to 1947. They will be expected to form close links with the NAM, using the latter’s collections as a basis for research and linking up with other relevant collections held in the UK, India and elsewhere. The successful candidate will also be expected to deliver lectures based on their research as part of the NAM public programme and to participate in relevant research seminars in the Faculty of History, Centre of South Asian Studies and elsewhere.

Candidates must be completing, or have completed within the last three years, a PhD degree; if not completed, it is anticipated that the successful candidate would submit before 1 October 2020. Candidates should demonstrate research expertise in their chosen field, the ability to present research findings effectively to fellow professionals, and to create a coherent plan of research into British Indian military history for the duration of the fellowship. The prime duty of a research fellow will be to pursue research and they will be expected to provide a report on the progress of their research each year.

The initial pensionable stipend for a research fellow with a PhD is currently £19,789 rising to £21,514 in year 3. The non-incremental stipend for a research fellow who has not yet been awarded their PhD is currently £17,642.

Accommodation in college is provided for a single fellow, for which a charge (currently £130 per annum) is made. College flats, for which a normal economic rent is charged, may be available for research fellows with partners. We may decide in such cases to give the remission of rent in return for foregoing an office. Research fellows enjoy the same privileges as other fellows, which include seven free meals at the High Table per week, and small allowances for travel and other expenses incurred by fellows in connection with their research.

Candidates are responsible for checking their eligibility to take up the post under UK immigration rules.

The application system can be accessed here.

Applications must be submitted online by 14.00 on Monday 2 March 2020. Shortlisted applicants will be notified by mid-March and will be asked to submit written work (c20,000 words) for assessment. It is expected that interviews will be held in mid-May 2020.