



Selwyn College Cambridge

## HENSLOW RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP (FUNDED BY THE CAMBRIDGE PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY)

### FURTHER PARTICULARS

Selwyn College, Cambridge invites applications for the Henslow Research Fellowship, funded by the Cambridge Philosophical Society, tenable for three years from 1 October 2022. The successful candidate will be expected to pursue research in any science subject including Natural Sciences, Medical Sciences, Mathematics, or Engineering.

Candidates must be completing, or have completed within the past three years, a PhD degree (for this purpose, the date will be the date on which the thesis was approved not when it was submitted). The Fellowship is not normally open to those who have already held a similar position.

We are committed to equal opportunities and positively welcome applications from all sections and backgrounds of society as this helps us to maintain a diverse academic community and foster an environment that is truly dynamic and engaging for all.

The initial stipend for a Research Fellow with a PhD will correspond to the first step of an incremental scale, currently £20,086 rising to £21,837 in year 3 (subject to the implementation of an annual cost of living rise). The non-incremental stipend for a Research Fellow without a PhD will be £17,907. Payments for supervision are additional, and are paid at agreed intercollegiate rates. It is expected that accommodation would be available in College for a single Fellow, at a nominal service charge of (currently £133 per annum for three years). College flats, for which rent is charged, are often available for Research Fellows with a partner. Research Fellows enjoy the same privileges as other Fellows; these include seven free meals at the High Table per week, allowances for travel and other expenses incurred by Fellows in connection with their research, and loans towards the purchase of personal computers.

The College is a relatively young institution by Cambridge standards and is located at the heart of the modern University. The College prides itself on its academic focus and supportive ethos. It provides a friendly environment in which all the members of its scholarly community of over sixty Fellows and over five hundred students can thrive. The concentration of the College on a single site helps create a vibrant, ambitious, supportive and progressive community that was one of the first Cambridge Colleges to espouse co-education and that maintains a firm commitment to diversity.

The Henslow Research Fellow is expected to reside in Cambridge during term, except that, with the permission of the College Council, periods may be spent away from Cambridge for the purpose of research. Research Fellows may, in consultation with the appropriate Directors of Studies, undertake up to six hours of supervision of undergraduate students per week.

Research Fellows are members of the Governing Body of the College and are eligible for election to the College Council and to committees.

### APPLICATION PROCESS

#### Eligibility Requirements

- Early Career Research Fellowships are open to graduates of **any university** who have recently or are about to complete their doctorates.

- Candidates would normally be expected to have completed no more than 5 years full time equivalent post-doctoral research. Research Fellowships will not normally be awarded to people who have held comparable post-doctoral positions.
- Successful candidates should normally have submitted their theses by the commencement of the Fellowship
- **The statements of research** should be no more than 1,000 words outlining the work candidates would submit in support of their applications, if requested, its significance in their field, and the research they propose to do if elected. Please note that it will be read by people outside, as well as within, the candidate's own discipline and should therefore be intelligible to scholars in other subjects.
- Candidates must provide details for two referees who have agreed to submit a reference through the website by 12.00 noon UK time on Wednesday, 15 December 2021. The referees should be familiar with the work to be submitted and one should normally be your PhD supervisor.
- **The application must be submitted online by 12.00 noon UK time on Wednesday, 15 December 2021:**  
[https://app.casc.cam.ac.uk/fas\\_live/selhslw.aspx](https://app.casc.cam.ac.uk/fas_live/selhslw.aspx)

### Written Work

- Written material **is not** required at this stage, but it is essential to have **written work readily available**, because those candidates whose applications are selected for further assessment will be invited by **14 January 2022** to submit a copy of their chosen written work via the online system. This must be received **no later than midnight on Sunday, 23 January 2022**. Please ensure that your contact details (email and phone) on your application are kept up to date.
- The College is concerned with the quality, rather than quantity, of the work submitted but, in order that an informed assessment may be made, it is important that sufficient material should be available. The work for submission to external assessors should be in the region of 10,000 words and no more than 12,000 words at the absolute maximum. This limit does not include references or figure legends, but does include footnotes and endnotes.
- Submitted work should be in English but if candidates intend to submit work in a foreign language, they should give notice by indicating this on the application form where they enter the title of the work.

### Timetable

- The application process begins on **Friday, 12 November 2021**.
- The application must be submitted through the website by **12.00 noon UK time on Wednesday, 15 December 2021**.
- Two references must be submitted through the website by **12.00 noon UK time on Wednesday, 15 December 2021**.
- Candidates who are selected to send samples of written work, must do so by **midnight on Sunday, 23 January 2022**.
- Shortlisting will take place in late February and selected candidates will be invited to interview in **early March 2022**.
- Elections will be made no later than the week commencing **14 March 2022**.
- Successful candidates will enter into their Fellowships on **1 October 2022**.