FURTHER PARTICULARS

Non-Stipendiary Research Fellowship in Sciences, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics
Fitzwilliam College, University of Cambridge

Applications are invited for a non-stipendiary Research Fellowship from 1 October 2021 for three years.

Eligibility

The successful candidate will be required to conduct research in any subject area in the Sciences, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics (STEM).

The Fellowship is for a fixed period of three years: extensions will be considered only in exceptional circumstances.

Applicants should:

i. have completed a PhD or have a clear expectation of doing so prior to 1 October 2021
ii. have completed no more than two years (f.t.e.) of postdoctoral research at the time of application
iii. have secured full research funding (including salary) for three years from 1 October 2021, or have a clear expectation of such funding
iv. have secured an endorsement from a Department, Faculty, Institution, Laboratory or equivalent in the University of Cambridge
v. have demonstrated to their funder their right to work in the UK

Remuneration and Benefits

The successful candidate will be elected to a Fellowship of the College, with which further obligations and privileges are associated; these include membership of the Governing Body of the College, the prime decision-making body which meets seven times each year. The College is an educational charity and each member of the Governing Body is a Trustee. The appointment is subject to the Statutes and Ordinances of the College. Fellows are expected to participate in the communal life and governance of the College and to promote, develop and extend the affairs and reputation of the College. All Fellows are expected to devote time to the important task of interviewing and selecting prospective undergraduate students, and to participate in relevant open days and widening participation activities. Research Fellows also are members of the College’s Postdoctoral Society, which holds research events and termly dinners.

The Fellowship is non-stipendiary. Fellows are normally required to live in the Cambridge area, although exemptions may be granted in certain circumstances. If available, rent-free single accommodation will be offered in College (a taxable benefit), with a charge to cover services. Alternatively if the Fellow is not resident in College, study facilities will be made available and an allowance (currently £3,469) paid. The College operates a Housing Loan scheme to assist in the purchase of a residential property in the Cambridge area.

Each Research Fellow is allocated an annual allowance of £1000, which may be claimed for academic purposes such as the purchase of books and computing equipment or attendance at conferences. Unused allowances may be carried forward for up to three years. Additional grants may sometimes be made to assist with certain approved research expenses which are not covered by departmental, faculty or other sources.

A Research Fellow is entitled to all meals at College expense whenever the kitchens are open. Up to 3 guest meals can be set against the Research Fellow’s meals allowance each week, with any additional guest meals charged to their Fellows personal account. Further details are available on request.
Research Fellows may be invited to offer a limited amount of small group (supervision) teaching to undergraduate students of the college; such teaching is separately remunerated at a rate ⅓ more than the standard Cambridge inter-college rate.

A mentor will be allocated throughout the period of the Fellowship. Research Fellows are required to submit a report on their research each year, which will be considered at an annual appraisal.

The College
Fitzwilliam College is an open, friendly and diverse academic community committed to developing the talents of all its students, the support of young academics and the training and professional development of its staff. It is one of the 31 colleges of the University and is a large community with around 475 undergraduates and 500 full and part-time graduate students and more than 100 staff.

Founded in 1869, Fitzwilliam College is an independent institution, comprising Master, Fellows, and students. The Fellows, about 55 in number, are generally engaged in the teaching of undergraduates and in research, in a wide range of subjects. There are approximately a further 47 Bye-Fellows and 20 Research Associates attached to the College. Last year the College created a Postdoc Society for Research Fellows, Bye-Fellows and Research Associates.

Members of the College have access to an outstanding library, opened in 2010, and to the interdisciplinary stimulation of active academic, cultural and recreational societies within the College, as well as all the opportunities available across the University. The College has a large and enthusiastic body of alumni, a number of whom have contributed to funds to support present members.

Further information about the College may be found at www.fitz.cam.ac.uk

Fitzwilliam College values diversity and is committed to equality of opportunity. Applications are welcome from everyone irrespective of age, disability, gender, gender reassignment, pregnancy, maternity/paternity, marital status or civil partnership, race, national original, sexual orientation or any other protected characteristic.

The College will not restrict its consideration to applicants seeking full-time appointments. Applications for part-time (or job share) appointments will be welcomed. Applicants should make clear on their applications if they wish to be considered for a part-time or job share appointment.

The College reserves the right not to make an appointment, and not to limit its choice to those who apply.

Application Process
Applications should be sent to Alice Bevington, Master’s Assistant, Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge CB3 0DG (by email: masters.assistant@fitz.cam.ac.uk) to arrive no later than midday on Monday 12 April 2021

Applicants should provide a cover letter setting out the research on which they are engaged and the nature of their funding and institutional arrangements in Cambridge; and a standard academic curriculum vitae with details of their educational record and publications.

The names of two referees should also be given. It is expected that candidates will ask their referees to send their references to the Master’s Assistant by the closing date without waiting for a formal invitation from the College.
Selected candidates will be called for interview on Friday 14 May 2021. The decision whether interviews will be conducted in person or remotely will be subject to existing Covid-19 regulations at the time. All queries should be directed to the Master’s Assistant by email at masters.assistant@fitz.cam.ac.uk

Data Protection

Personal data that you supply to the College will be used solely for the purpose of this recruitment and managing the membership of the successful applicant. Data is processed in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018. For more information see www.fitz.cam.ac.uk/data-protection.