

Batista i Roca Fellowship, Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge

Further Particulars

Applications are invited for the Batista i Roca Fellowship at Fitzwilliam College. The Fellowship was established by the generous bequest of Dr Josep Maria Batista i Roca and is co-sponsored by the Institut Ramon Llull (a public organization that promotes Catalan language and culture internationally, and Catalan language studies at universities abroad).

The successful candidate will carry out a programme of research in the field of Catalan Culture and/or Language. The Fellowship will also involve a teaching load of some 12-14 weekly hours during twenty weeks of the three eight-week terms, involving:

1. A maximum of 7 hours of Catalan language per week in the Faculty of Modern and Medieval Languages of the University of Cambridge. For further details see the relevant courses to second year (<https://www.mml.cam.ac.uk/sp6>) and final year students (<https://www.mml.cam.ac.uk/sp10>) [Available only by Optional Dissertation in 2020-2021]
2. A maximum of 7 hours of language teaching per week to small groups in Spanish and Catalan at Fitzwilliam College. (See information on oral element of Spanish language courses at <https://www.mml.cam.ac.uk/spanish/undergraduates/papers>)

There will also be a responsibility to examine in the relevant areas both in the Faculty and at College.

Qualifications

The successful candidate will be fluent or possess near-native fluency in Catalan and Spanish and an excellent command of English. The candidate will have a postgraduate qualification (MPhil or similar) or, preferably, will have —or be close to completing— a PhD in Catalan Studies or a related area. Teaching experience or relevant expertise in language learning will also be considered, as will the ability to teach or supervise culture of the modern period. The capacity to design and run online courses in Catalan language at all levels will also be considered.

Terms and Conditions

The appointment is offered for one academic year (renewable for up to four years with the agreement of both parties) beginning on 1 October 2024 and ending on 30 June 2025. The stipend of the Batista i Roca Fellow will be £31,396 per annum¹. Supervisions (small group teaching) in excess of the committed number of hours will be paid at the normal intercollegiate supervision rate.

In addition, the Batista i Roca Fellow receives free residence in a bedsitter in College (or an accommodation allowance, currently set at £3,807 per annum, if living out of College), free meals on high table, and other benefits associated with a Fellowship at Fitzwilliam College.

¹ Subject to any cost of living award to be made by the Governing Body

One return journey (economy fare) will be paid by the College.

The Fellow is expected to play an active part in the life of the College and Faculty, contributing to the organization of dinners and events promoting the language and culture of the Catalan-speaking areas.

There will be opportunities to attend University lectures and, if appropriate, lecturers in the relevant subjects in College will be willing to be consulted occasionally on research issues.

Method of Application

Applicants should send by email attachment both to the HR Manager at Fitzwilliam College (recruitment@fitz.cam.ac.uk) and also to the Institut Ramon Llull (seleccioprofessorat@llull.cat), the following documents:

- a specimen unit of teaching of some aspect of the Catalan language relevant to the beginners' course
- a copy of their *curriculum vitae*, in both English and Catalan
- a detailed statement of their research proposal (not exceeding 1,000 words) in both English and Catalan

They should also ask three referees to ensure that their references reach the HR Manager at Fitzwilliam College before the closing date. Candidates will be required to demonstrate a knowledge of Catalan and Spanish at native or near native level and an excellent command of written and spoken English. Selected candidates will be called for interview, via Skype, Zoom or similar, at a mutually convenient date towards the end of June/ beginning of July.

The closing date for applications and references is **Tuesday 16 April 2024**. Queries about the application process should be directed to the Master's Assistant, Alice Bevington (masters.assistant@fitz.cam.ac.uk).

Anyone wishing to discuss the position informally is welcome to contact Dr Isaias Fanlo at ifg22@cam.ac.uk.