Whitworth Research Fellowship 2018

The Governing Body of Downing College, Cambridge, invites applications for election to a Research Fellowship starting on 1st October 2018 and continuing until 30th September 2021 when the Fellowship will terminate. The Fellowship will be open to graduates working in any area of Human Geography.

When applications have been reviewed the competition will involve assessment of selected candidates’ submitted work, which may be a published paper(s), manuscript in press or a thesis chapter(s), but must not exceed 10,000 words. A small number of candidates will then be invited for interview. Anyone interested in applying for the Fellowship should note that the standard needed to progress to the later stages of the competition is high.

The Fellowship is open to graduates of any university with no age limit, but is intended to support those at an early stage in their academic careers, and will normally be awarded to a candidate within five years of, or who is close to, completing their PhD. The emolument of a pre-PhD Fellow not holding such paid employment is £21,581 if resident in College and £24,286 if living out of College. The emolument of a post-PhD Fellow not holding paid employment is £22,876 if resident in College and £25,728 if living out of College. (These figures are reviewed annually and standard increments awarded during the coming academic year will be included before October 2018). A non-stipendiary Fellowship will be offered to the successful applicant if they already hold a funded research position.

The successful applicant will become a Fellow of the College and will be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a Fellow. All Fellows are entitled to seven meals a week in College, either lunch or dinner, at College expense. Other Fellowship benefits include an academic expenses allowance of £550 per annum and a Fund administered by five senior Fellows to which application can be made for further help with academic and conference expenses. The successful applicant is also eligible to receive the College’s benefit package, including membership of USS and subsidised membership of the College’s health and dental schemes. For a small membership fee the successful applicant will have use of the College gym. The new Research Fellow will be expected to undertake up to four hours of small group teaching per week in term time (remunerated separately), and may be requested to act as a Director of Studies in Geography for the College if required. The Research Fellow will be a member of the Governing Body of the College, participating in the governance and communal life of Downing College.

Applications must be submitted online by 12.00 noon on Monday 27th November 2017 via this link https://app.casc.cam.ac.uk/fas_live/whitworthrf.aspx

Candidates must submit a CV, Statement of Research, Project Summary and Summary of Teaching Experience as part of their online application. The names of two referees, who will be contacted automatically to provide references by 12.00 noon on
Monday 27th November 2017, will also be required. If you have any queries please email: research-fellowship@dow.cam.ac.uk

It is hoped that the Governing Body of the College will make an election in May 2018. The successful applicant must provide satisfactory evidence of eligibility to work in the UK in the capacity offered, together with proof of entry clearance/leave to remain for the duration of the tenure before taking up the position.