Fellowship in Biological Science

The Governing Body of Downing College, Cambridge, invites applications for election to a non-stipendiary Fellowship in the Biological Sciences starting on 1 October 2020 and continuing until 30 September 2023, when the Fellow will be eligible for re-election in line with the College Statutes. Applications will be considered from established researchers employed by the University of Cambridge (or affiliated institutions) and working in any area of Biological Sciences.

The College wishes to strengthen its teaching provision in Biology and is seeking to attract individuals interested in joining a small, friendly and dedicated Fellowship, committed both to research and to undergraduate and postgraduate education. Downing usually accepts approximately 26 students each year to study for the undergraduate Natural Sciences Tripos (of whom about half will choose predominantly biological options) and 18 students for the Medical and Veterinary Sciences Tripos.

Fellows take a full part in the life of the College which includes attendance at the meetings of the Governing Body and supporting events for both senior and junior members. All Fellows are entitled to seven meals a week in College, either lunch or dinner, at College expense. Further benefits to Fellows include an annual academic expenses allowance, invitations to social events and the opportunity to join the College health and dental schemes and College gym at subsidised rates. Car parking is available for all Fellows on the Domus.

The Fellowship carries with it an expectation to undertake supervisions (small group teaching) for at least 80 hours per year, or make equivalent contributions. Supervisions are paid at the standard intercollegiate rate; however, subject to teaching the minimum of 80 hours per academic year, an enhancement of 20% is paid at the end of the year. Furthermore, the Fellow will be expected to take an active interest in management of the teaching of Biological Sciences in the College, including recommending further supervisors in cognate areas and advising the Directors of Studies.

Applicants will be considered on the basis of their ability to contribute to teaching in the College, their research profile, and their interest in more general contributions to the College community.

Applications and references must be submitted online by 12.00 noon on Monday 8 June 2020 via this link https://app.casc.cam.ac.uk/fas_live/dowfellowship.aspx.

Candidates must submit a CV, list of publications and statement of interest in the Fellowship as part of their online application, as well as providing the names and contact details of two referees who will be contacted automatically. Informal enquiries should be emailed to fellowship-recruitment@dow.cam.ac.uk.

The successful applicant must provide satisfactory evidence of eligibility to work in the UK. Applications are welcomed from a diverse range of backgrounds.