The Professorship of Medieval and Renaissance English
Faculty of English

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Background to the role

The Chair of Medieval and Renaissance English is one of four established professorial chairs in the Faculty of English. The first holder of the Chair was C.S. Lewis, followed more recently by Jill Mann, James Simpson, Helen Cooper, and Nicolette Zeeman. The post will become vacant on Professor Zeeman's retirement in September 2024. It is one of only three established Chairs in Medieval English literature in the UK. Among these it is distinctive in prioritising literary and critical scholarship, and in its turn towards the Early Modern, a recognition of the foundational role of the medieval in British literature, culture, and society.

The Faculty seeks a world-class academic with the ability to engage in ground-breaking research, to motivate and support academic colleagues, and to challenge undergraduate and postgraduate students. The successful candidate will be expected to collaborate with their immediate colleagues in the Faculty (Jessica Berenbeim, Alex da Costa, Orietta Da Rold, Philip Knox, and Jacqueline Tasioulas), and with a substantial group of other colleagues across Cambridge, to develop new pedagogical and intellectual initiatives.

Medievalists in the Faculty of English are all in different ways committed to practices of careful reading, interpretative and theoretical innovation, and rigorous research. Their interests include studies in multilingualism, the wider geographies of the Middle Ages, the history of thought and science, the body, gender and identity, the material and visual artefact, manuscripts and the history of the book. The work is supported by and engages with superb library resources in the University Library and colleges libraries (such as the Parker Library at Corpus Christi College, and the Fitzwilliam Museum).

They are part of a thriving community of Medievalists across Cambridge. The Department of Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic, which sits within the Faculty of English, is a major centre for the study of the earlier Medieval world. Colleagues also work in other Faculties (Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, Divinity, History, History of Art, Modern and Medieval Languages and Linguistics, and Philosophy) and in research centres (including the Centre for Visual Culture, Cambridge Digital Humanities, and the Cambridge University Library Research Institute).

The appointee will help ensure that the Faculty's research culture in earlier periods is forward- and outward-looking, promoting collaboration, taking opportunities to apply for external research funding, and contributing to emerging developments in the field.

The successful candidate will also provide leadership for the Faculty’s teaching in earlier literature at every level, bringing students with diverse interests and backgrounds into Medieval studies. A course on English Literature and its background 1300-1550 is compulsory for all (c. 200) undergraduates, and a very high proportion also take a course on English Literature 1500-1700. In the final year, four or five specialist papers on medieval and early modern literature are typically available. In MPhil and PhD work the Faculty has flourishing programmes, offering practical and methodological introduction to research, and research-led specialist teaching.
Standard Duties

2) Teaching and research
The Professor will be required to deliver lectures and give instruction in the field of Medieval and Renaissance English, and in particular to perform the following duties:

(i) to give between 30 and 35 hours of Faculty lectures or seminars per annum;

(ii) to undertake original research and the general supervision of research and advanced work in their subject area, and to assist postgraduate and undergraduate students in their studies, whether by supervision or informal instruction.

3) Examining
The Professor will be required to undertake such university examining as may be required by the Faculty Board.

4) Supervision
The Professor will be required to act as the supervisor of postgraduate and undergraduate students as and when requested.

1) Administration
Administrative duties are shared equitably among the teaching members of the Faculty. The postholder would be expected to play a significant role by taking their turn in the senior offices of the Faculty, including Chair of the Faculty Board, as well as from time to time being a member of Faculty Committees dealing with such matters as planning and resources, academic and other appointments, admission of graduate students, research and teaching, the libraries and computing arrangements. Colleagues are also encouraged to accept appointment to University Committees.
**Person Specification**

Candidates will be considered for the Professorship on the basis of the following selection criteria, which they are asked to address in their application.

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<td>• An internationally outstanding record of innovative research in the field of Professorship.</td>
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<td>• The vision, leadership, experience and enthusiasm to develop the Faculty’s research profile, and a record in, or plans for, attracting research grant support to further research activities.</td>
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<td>• The ability to further the academic study and strategic development of research and teaching in Medieval literature.</td>
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<td>• The ability to manage and interact with students and staff at all levels, and to contribute to the administrative and strategic development of the Faculty.</td>
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<td>• An awareness of the importance of, and willingness to be involved in, the training of the next generation of researchers, from undergraduates and research students to postdoctoral research fellows; the ability to attract and develop talented researchers into the field.</td>
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**Preferences**

The Faculty would welcome the appointment of a candidate with interests that range from the medieval period to the later renaissance, but would expect the new holder of the Chair to provide leadership in teaching and research in the period 1066-1550.
The Faculty of English

The English Faculty was founded in 1919. It was the first Department of English in the country to encourage the study of English Literature to the present day and the first to approach English literature from a 'literary-critical' point of view, rather than as a manifestation of the history of the language. Notable members of the Faculty who have made a lasting impression on how Anglophone literature continues to be studied include I.A. Richards, William Empson, F.R. Leavis, Muriel Bradbrook, Raymond Williams, Frank Kermode, John Barrell, Gillian Beer, Marilyn Butler, Ato Quayson and Jill Mann. The research and theoretical orientations of the Faculty are many and diverse, but its teaching places particular emphasis on the ability to read literary texts closely and attentively.

The establishment of the Faculty is currently 49 University Teaching Officers (UTOs), most of whom also have an affiliation to a College; there are also 37 Teaching Officers in English employed by Colleges (CTOs), who are also members of the Faculty; there are also 23 Research Fellows and Early Career Researchers. In addition, there are currently 12 administrative, secretarial and computing staff. The Faculty currently has around 200 postgraduate students and 620 undergraduates.

The Faculty’s academic work and teaching programmes are supervised by the Faculty Board of English, which elects a Chair to serve as Head of the Faculty for a minimum of two years. The Faculty is located at 9 West Road in a building opened in October 2004. The building holds a library, teaching and research facilities, offices for University Teaching Officers and a social area.

The Faculty is active in all major areas of Anglophone literature and culture; our research and teaching are cross-disciplinary, historical and international in reach. In the latest QS University rankings, the Faculty ranked second, while in the 2021 UK Research Excellence Framework it was awarded 4* ('world-leading') 58%, 3* 28%, 2* 13%, 1* 1%.

The undergraduate BA in English consists of two incrementally structured parts: a two-year Part IA/B, which introduces undergraduates to a range of British and world literature from 1066 to the present day, along with a wide range of critical methods and practices; and a one- (or in some cases two-) year Part II, which offers an extensive choice of options in addition to compulsory papers on Tragedy and Practical Criticism / Critical Practice and a dissertation on a topic of choice. Most of the Faculty's papers are capacious and inclusive, enabling students to study many kinds of text and artefact and to develop a wide range of critical and theoretical approaches.
The University, the faculties, departments and the colleges are linked in a historical relationship that is mutually beneficial. Students (both graduate and undergraduate) are admitted by one of the 31 colleges, although in the case of postgraduate students the faculties and departments determine admissions before the colleges are involved. Almost all undergraduates, and many postgraduate students, live in a college. Most academic staff will also be invited to join a college as a teaching or professorial fellow. College teaching is remunerated separately from University teaching, and appointment to a college is a separate matter from a University appointment. Membership of a college adds an important social and intellectual dimension for many of the academic staff. The Chair of the Faculty or senior colleagues can give more advice.

Teaching for both parts of the undergraduate programme is conducted through lectures and seminars, which are the responsibility of the Faculty, and supervisions (that is, small-group teaching), which are mostly organised through the colleges. The undergraduate teaching programme is co-ordinated by the Faculty Director of Undergraduate Studies in collaboration with the appropriate UTOs and CTOs.

At postgraduate level teaching is organised by the Faculty. We have a flexible and wide-ranging MPhil in English Studies offering students many options and pathways through the course. Those who wish to specialise (for example in a particular historical period) are able to do so, while others choose from varied options. The teaching programme offers both introductions to key frameworks for research, and specialist research-led courses. PhD students receive a broad training programme and specialist support from expert supervisors and advisors from within and beyond the Faculty.

The areas of research interests of individual members of the Faculty together with information on the Faculty's current activities may be found on the Faculty's website: http://www.english.cam.ac.uk/.
The School of Arts and Humanities is one of six schools in the University and it is currently comprised of:

- Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies
- Faculty of Architecture and History of Art
- Faculty of Classics
- Faculty of Divinity
- Faculty of English
- Faculty of Modern and Medieval Languages and Linguistics
- Faculty of Music
- Faculty of Philosophy
- Centre for Research into the Arts, Social Sciences and Humanities
- University of Cambridge Language Centre
- Leverhulme Centre for the Future of Intelligence

Combined, these institutions have a total annual budget in excess of £45 million, 700 staff and 3,500 students.

The School has recently agreed a new strategic plan, which sets out its overarching vision and objectives.

**Vision**

The Strategic Vision of the School of Arts and Humanities is to retain its position in the world top five. We see this not as a simple metric but as a challenge for which we must foster a culture and practice of openness: to countries and traditions around the globe, to major themes, to new ways of teaching, to diversity in our student intake and staff recruitment, to inclusiveness in our career development, and to the breaking down of structures that prevent us achieving the ambitious goals we set ourselves.
Terms of Appointment

All appointments to University Offices are subject to the Statutes and Ordinances of the University.

Salary
Salary on appointment will be determined by the Vice-Chancellor at an appropriate point on the University’s salary spine for grade 12, taking into account the criteria for the respective contribution band. Professorial salaries are reviewed periodically, on the basis of research, teaching and general contribution, by the Vice-Chancellor with the assistance of a small Advisory Committee.

Headship of the Department
Should a Professor be appointed to the Headship of a Department, a pensionable payment is made in addition to salary.

Recruitment Incentive
The University has a scheme whereby a single recruitment incentive payment may be made on appointment at the Vice-Chancellor’s discretion.

Tenure
Appointments are to the retiring age for established academic positions.

Working Pattern
The appointment is full-time.

Annual leave
Subject to compliance with the Statutes and Ordinances relating to leave, full time officers are entitled in any holiday year to take a minimum of 28 days annual paid holiday. These periods are inclusive of public holidays that fall outside Full Term.

Sabbatical leave
Cambridge has a generous statutory provision for leave of absence of one term for every six terms of service. Academic staff use this opportunity for study and research.

Pension
You will automatically be enrolled to become a member of USS (Universities Superannuation Scheme), a defined benefits pension scheme. If you are already a member of the NHS Pension scheme, you may be eligible to continue in the scheme and should contact the Pensions section of the University: www.pensions.admin.cam.ac.uk/

College membership
Membership of a College adds an important social and intellectual dimension which many of the University’s academic community find attractive. Further details about a Professorial Fellowship are set out below and more details about college membership are provided in a separate section of this document.

The Scheme for newly-appointed University Officers seeking a College Fellowship is set out at: UTO Scheme | Office of Intercollegiate Services (cam.ac.uk)

Residence
It is a requirement of the role that you are resident in the University during term-time. Further information can be found here: Chapter XI - University Offices and Grants of Title (2021 edition of Statutes and Ordinances of the University of Cambridge)
Removal Expenses
If the person appointed is not resident in Cambridge, a contribution from University funds will be made towards expenditure incurred in removal to Cambridge to take up a University office.

Consultancy Work
The University’s policy on consultancy work is that consultancy arrangements must be entered into privately between the employee and the organisation concerned. The consultancy work must not interfere with the duties required of the officer under the officer’s contract of employment with the University. Consultancy work is not covered by the University’s insurances, even when the University has knowledge that such work is being done. The University must not be regarded as being directly or indirectly involved in any consultancy arrangement through the use of University letterheads, advice given or work done in the individual’s capacity as an employee of the University. Individuals undertaking private or consultancy work are advised to take out personal insurance.

Alternatively, professional indemnity cover may be obtained by channelling private work through the University company Cambridge Enterprise Ltd. Anyone wishing to do so should, in the first instance, contact them at www.enterprise.cam.ac.uk.

Professorial Fellowships
The great majority of Professors at Cambridge hold a professorial fellowship of a college. Although election to a fellowship is a matter for an individual college, the University takes active steps to draw the attention of Heads of House to the names of those Professors eligible for election. The Scheme for newly-appointed University Officers seeking a College Fellowship is set out at: https://www.ois.cam.ac.uk/uto-scheme/guidance-for-applicants/view

General information

Pre-employment checks
Right to work in the UK - We have a legal responsibility to ensure that you have the right to work in the UK before you can start working for us. Accordingly, shortlisted candidates, whatever their nationality, will be asked to provide such evidence at an appropriate stage in the recruitment procedure. If you do not have the right to work in the UK already, any offer of employment we make will be conditional upon you gaining it.

Health Declaration - Offers of appointment made to prospective University officers whose work will fall within certain categories are conditional on the completion of a medical questionnaire and, if necessary, on a satisfactory health check by the Occupational Health Service. Only the person elected will be asked to complete the questionnaire, at the time of election.

References – References will be requested prior to the final meeting of the Board of Electors. Please note: references are not required from your current employer.

Equal Opportunities
The University of Cambridge appoints solely on merit. No applicant for an appointment in the University, or member of staff once appointed, will be treated less favourably than another on the grounds of sex (including gender reassignment), marital or parental status, race, ethnic or national origin, colour, disability (including HIV status), sexual orientation, religion, age or socio-economic factors.

**Equality, Diversity and Inclusion**
The University has a vibrant and varied community, and is an equal opportunities employer. We strongly encourage applications from candidates with a Black and Minority Ethnic background, including those of African and Caribbean heritage. Our recruitment and selection procedures follow best practice, and more details are available here: http://www.equality.cam.ac.uk/

**Information if you have a disability**
The University welcomes applications from individuals with disabilities. We are committed to ensuring fair treatment throughout the recruitment process. We will make adjustments to enable applicants to compete to the best of their ability wherever it is reasonable to do so and, if successful, to assist them during their employment. Information for disabled applicants is available at: http://www.admin.cam.ac.uk/offices/hr/staff/disabled/

We encourage you to declare any disability that you may have, and any reasonable adjustments that you may require, in the section provided for this purpose in the application form. This will enable us to accommodate your needs throughout the process as required. However, applicants and employees may declare a disability at any time.

Applicants wishing to discuss with or inform the University of any special arrangements connected with their disability can, at any point in the recruitment process, contact Dr Gosia Wloszycka, who is responsible for the administration of the recruitment process for this position, by email on: mw425@admin.cam.ac.uk.
The University

The University of Cambridge is one of the world’s oldest and most successful universities. We are a renowned centre for research, education, and scholarship that makes a significant contribution to society. The University is consistently ranked amongst the top universities in the world. Our affiliates have won more Nobel Prizes than any other University.

Our sustained pursuit of academic excellence is built on a long history of first-class teaching and research within a distinctive collegiate system. For eight centuries our ideas and innovations have shaped the world. Our principal goal is to remain one of the world’s leading universities in an increasingly competitive global higher education sector. Today the University of Cambridge is at the centre of a cluster of over 4,300 businesses employing 58,000 people.

Our capital investment projects include the West Cambridge site, the North West Cambridge development and the growth of the Biomedical Campus in the south of the city. The North West Cambridge development includes the opening of a primary school – the first in the UK to be managed by a University. So we are deeply embedded in, and committed to serving, our local community. These are all conspicuous signs of a University that is not only adapting to new needs, but also anticipating the future.

Our mission is to contribute to society through the pursuit of education, learning, and research at the highest international levels of excellence. Our core values are:

- freedom of thought and expression; and
- freedom from discrimination.
About Us

The University is one of the world’s leading academic centres. It comprises 150 faculties and departments, together with a central administration and other institutions. Our institutions, museums and collections are a world-class resource for researchers, students and members of the public representing one of the country’s highest concentrations of internationally important collections.

The University has an annual income of £2 billion. Research income, won competitively from the UK Research Councils, the European Union (EU), major charities and industry, exceeds £500 million per annum and continues to grow.

The Colleges and the University remain committed to admitting the best students regardless of their background and to investing considerable resources both in widening access and financial support. The 31 Colleges are self-governing, separate legal entities which appoint their own staff. Many academic staff are invited to join a College as a Teaching Fellow, which provides a further social and intellectual dimension. The Colleges admit students, provide student accommodation and deliver small group teaching.

The University awards degrees and its faculties and departments provide lectures and seminars for students and determine the syllabi for teaching and conducting research.

Our instinct for seeking out excellence and setting up enduring and mutually beneficial collaborations has led us to establish strategic partnerships across the globe. Whether it is the successful Cambridge-Africa Programme involving universities in Ghana, Uganda and elsewhere on the African continent; or the close association with the government of India to pursue new research in crop science; or the creation, with Germany’s Max Planck Institutes, of a Cambridge-based centre for the study of ethics, human economy and social change — international partnerships are now an inextricable part of the University’s make-up.

“Cambridge graduates and researchers have made – and continue to make – a colossal contribution to human knowledge and the understanding of the world around us. Their work touches on the lives and livelihoods of everyone from patients diagnosed with life-threatening diseases, to residents of areas critically affected by climate change, to children growing up in conflict zones. It has a lasting impact on our society, our economy and our culture: the world is truly a better place thanks to their efforts.”

Stephen Toope, Vice Chancellor 2019
Working at the University

Working at Cambridge you will join a diverse, talented and innovative community, with more than 18,000 students and over 16,000 staff from all walks of life and corners of the world.

The University continually explores strategies to attract and retain the best people. It is committed to supporting its staff to achieve their best. We are a fair, diverse and inclusive society and we believe our staff are our greatest asset. There is strong commitment to developing institutional leadership and supporting and encouraging staff development at all levels.

We offer a variety of roles including academic, research, professional, managerial and support roles. We also offer extensive benefits and excellent learning opportunities within a stimulating working environment.

The University’s estate is undergoing the most significant transformation in its history. Cambridge has been able to create a new science and technology campus to the west of the city centre, and is now expanding further to the north west of Cambridge including investing in affordable homes for University key workers and community facilities. Even with our continued development, the University remains within walking or cycling distance across the campus. The University is a major partner on the Cambridge Biomedical Campus and we continue to redevelop our historic city centre sites demonstrating our determination to ensure that we can offer the best facilities and opportunities for our staff and students.

Equality & diversity
The University has built its excellence on the diversity of its staff and student community. We aim to be a leader in fostering equality and inclusion, and in promoting respect and a sense of belonging for all. We encourage applications from all sections of society. All appointments are made on the basis of merit. We have an Equal Opportunities Policy, along with a range of diversity networks for women, black and minority ethnic and lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender staff. More details are available here: http://www.equality.admin.cam.ac.uk/

The University has a bronze Race Equality Charter aware, with framework for improving the representation, progression and success of minority ethnic staff and students within higher education. Furthermore, the University’s Athena SWAN award recognises and celebrates good practice in recruiting, retaining and promoting women.
Living in Cambridge

Cambridge is rich in cultural diversity. From beautiful University and College buildings, museums and art galleries, quaint gardens and punts on the River Cam, to a vibrant restaurant and café scene, our employees are surrounded by the wonderful features of this unique city.

You can find a wide-range of high street shops and 3 shopping centres, with independent alternatives at the historic market and nestled within the passageways in the city centre. You will find a cinema, bowling alley, a nightclub and various live performances at the Cambridge Leisure Park, with further entertainment options at the Corn Exchange, Arts Theatre and the ADC Theatre. Further information can be found on the Visit Cambridge website.

If you prefer the faster pace of life, London is a 45 minute train journey away. For those travelling from overseas, Stansted Airport is just 45 minutes away and Heathrow Airport under 2 hours away. The University is a short distance from a host of other attractions such as Ely Cathedral, Newmarket Races and various wildlife parks and stately homes. Cambridge is also within easy reach of the beautiful Broads and coastlines of Norfolk and Suffolk.

Relocation Support
The University recognises the importance of helping individuals to move and settle into a new area. We provide support and guidance to those relocating internationally or domestically to take up a post at the University of Cambridge, liaising with other University offices and selected partners to ensure comprehensive relocation support is available. This includes: accommodation, childcare, schools, banking, immigration and transport. If you would like further information, please visit https://www.accommodation.cam.ac.uk/relocation. The Shared Equity Scheme and the Reimbursement of Relocation Expenses Scheme provide financial assistance to qualifying new members of staff with the costs of relocating to Cambridge.

Accommodation Service
The University Accommodation Service helps staff, students and visiting scholars who are affiliated to the University in their search for suitable accommodation in Cambridge. The dedicated accommodation team can provide access to a wide range of University-owned furnished and unfurnished properties, and has a database of private sector accommodation available for short and long-term lets. For further information and to register with this free service please visit https://www.accommodation.cam.ac.uk/
What Cambridge can offer

We offer a comprehensive reward package to attract, motivate and retain high performing staff at all levels and in all areas of work.

The University offers a wide range of competitive benefits, from family leave entitlement, to shopping and travel discount schemes. Our generous annual leave package contributes to the positive wellbeing of our University employees. Sabbatical leave enables academics to focus on research and scholarship, whilst still maintaining their full salary. The University also has a career break scheme for academic and academic-related staff, with additional flexible working policies for all other staff.

Pay and benefits
The University salary structure includes automatic service-related pay progression in many of its grades and an annual cost of living increase. In addition to this, employees are rewarded for outstanding contribution through a number of regular pay progression schemes. The University offers attractive pensions schemes for employees, with an additional benefit of a salary exchange arrangement providing tax and national insurance savings. Payroll giving is also a simple, tax-efficient way for employees to make monthly donations to charity.

CAMbens employee benefits
We offer a CAMbens scheme for University employees, providing access to online and in-store shopping discounts and cashback. With more than 2,000 participating retailers, employees can save money on a wide range of household expenses, from groceries and clothes, to holidays and insurance and much more. A range of local discounts are also available, helping employees to save money whilst also supporting local Cambridge businesses and a CAMbens Cycle to Work salary sacrifice scheme is also available, which enables employees to save money on transport costs. A 10% discount rate on the purchase of train season tickets, bulk buy tickets and an interest free travel to work loan are also available for staff of the University.
What Cambridge can offer

Family-friendly policies
The University recognises the importance of supporting its staff. We have a range of family-friendly policies to aid employees' work-life balance including a generous maternity, adoption and shared parental leave entitlement of 18 weeks full pay, and paid emergency leave for parents and carers.

Other family-friendly support includes:

Our highly regarded workplace nurseries, a childcare salary exchange scheme and a high quality holiday Playscheme may be available to help support University employees with caring responsibilities (subject to demand and qualifying criteria). Further childcare information can be found here: https://www.childcare.admin.cam.ac.uk/

The Newcomers and Visiting Scholars Group is an organisation within the University run by volunteers whose aim is to help newly arrived wives, husbands, partners and families of Visiting Scholars and members of the University to settle in Cambridge and give them an opportunity to meet local people. The Postdoc Academy supports the postdoctoral community within Cambridge. Further details are available here: https://www.postdocacademy.cam.ac.uk/

Your wellbeing
The University’s Sport Centre, Counselling Services and Occupational Health are just some of the support services available to University employees to promote their physical and mental wellbeing. There are many societies in Cambridge catering for almost every taste and interest. Whether you want to take part in a sport, participate in music or drama, pursue a hobby, or join a political group, you will almost certainly find that a society exists for this purpose. The University also hosts the Cambridge Science Festival and Cambridge Festival of Ideas, as well as Open Cambridge weekend, which together attract over 50,000 visitors per year. The festivals are a great opportunity to get your first taste of public engagement, through volunteering, supporting hands-on activities or proposing a talk.

Development opportunities
We support new employees to settle in through various activities. The encouragement of career development for all staff is one of the University's values and we put this into practice through various services and initiatives. Our Personal and Professional Development Department provides development opportunities and courses for all University employees. These include face-to-face sessions, online learning modules and webinars. Employees may also apply for financial support to undertake training that will lead to a qualification. We offer reduced staff fees for University of Cambridge graduate courses and the opportunity to attend lectures and seminars held by University departments and institutions. The CareerStart@Cam programme also supports employees in assistant staff roles who do not hold higher education qualifications to develop their skills, experience and qualifications.
College Membership

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The teaching of undergraduate students is shared between the Colleges and the Faculties and Departments, with the Colleges arranging small group teaching ("supervision") and the Departments providing lecturing, laboratory classes, and advanced supervisions. Most academic staff will also be invited to join a College as a teaching or professorial fellow.

Membership of a College adds an important social and intellectual dimension which many of the University's academic community find attractive. Most colleges expect their fellows to take part in undergraduate supervision and College administration. Appointment to a College fellowship is a separate matter from a University appointment, for which the College provides modest remuneration additional to University salary. It is not compulsory for academic staff to be a member of a College.

Further advice can be obtained from The Chair of the Faculty/Head of Department or senior colleagues.

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How to Apply

Applications, consisting of a letter of application together with a statement of current and future research plans, a curriculum vitae and a publications list, should be made online no later than: 30 November 2023.

Applications should be submitted online via the University of Cambridge jobs page www.jobs.cam.ac.uk by clicking “Apply online” in the job advert. You will need an email address to register for our online system. Conversations about flexible working are encouraged at the University of Cambridge. Please feel free to discuss flexibility prior to applying (using the contact information below) or at interview if your application is successful.

If you have any queries regarding the application process please contact: Dr Gosia Wloszycka at: professorships@admin.cam.ac.uk and/or mw425@admin.cam.ac.uk

Procedure for Appointment

The appointment will be made by a Board of Electors, chaired by a representative of the Vice-Chancellor, with a membership which includes members of the Faculty, members of cognate faculties or departments and external experts.

All applications will be acknowledged. The Board of Electors will decide how they wish to proceed towards making an election, which may include interviews and/or presentations. Short-listed candidates may be invited to visit the Faculty to give a seminar on their work and meet prospective colleagues in the course of the process.

The University has a vibrant and varied community, and is an equal opportunities employer. We strongly encourage applications from candidates with a Black and Minority Ethnic background, including those of African and Caribbean heritage. Our recruitment and selection procedures follow best practice, and more details are available here: http://www.equality.cam.ac.uk/

Candidates will be informed of the progress of their applications as agreed by the Electors.

It is anticipated that the successful candidate will take up the appointment on 1 October 2024 or as soon as possible thereafter.

Informal Enquiries

Informal enquiries about this Professorship are welcomed and should be directed to:

Professor Raphael Lyne
Convenor of the Board of Electors
Email: rtrl100@cam.ac.uk