EARLY CAREER RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP IN SCIENCES (NON-STIPENDIARY)

Murray Edwards College invites applications for a non-stipendiary Research Fellowship in Science subjects, which will normally be tenable for three years from 1 October 2024, or earlier if desirable. Applications are welcome from any individual who has already secured funding from any source to work on a post-doctoral project within the Sciences at Cambridge University, or who is currently under consideration for such funding and expects to hear the outcome shortly.

Murray Edwards College was founded as New Hall in 1954 for the purposes of educating women students. It has a community of around 380 undergraduates and 200 postgraduates, and a mixed Fellowship of 60.

Candidates would normally be expected to have completed no more than five years full time equivalent post-doctoral research. Research Fellowships will not normally be awarded to people who have held comparable post-doctoral positions. Successful candidates will normally have submitted their theses by the commencement of the Fellowship.

The prime duty of a Research Fellow will be to pursue research and they will be expected to provide a written report on the progress of their research each year.

All Research Fellows are members of the Governing Body and receive a Fellowship stipend, as well as full dining rights entitling them to seven free meals a week. Research Fellows can also apply for up to £800 a year to support research expenses. Additionally £300 of book grants are available to Research Fellows on application. There is also College accommodation at advantageous rates, subject to availability.

Statement of Research
The statement of research should be no more than 1,000 words outlining their work to date, and the research they propose to do if elected.

Written Material
Written material is not required at application stage, but it is essential to have written work readily accessible; those candidates whose applications are selected for further assessment will be invited to submit a copy of their chosen written work electronically. The College is concerned with the quality, rather than quantity, of the work submitted but, in order that an informed assessment may be made, it is important that sufficient material should be available. The work for submission to external assessors should be in the region of 12,000 words and no more than 20,000 words at the absolute maximum. This limit does not include references or figure legends, but does include footnotes and endnotes. Submitted work should normally be in English but if candidates intend to submit work in a foreign language, they should give notice by indicating this at the time of applying.

Application letters including a curriculum vitae and statement outlining interest and plans for the position should reach the College Administrator, Ms Sarah Greaves by noon on Friday 8 December 2023; candidates should also arrange for three confidential references to reach the College Administrator by the same date. Informal enquiries can be made to the Senior Tutor of Murray Edwards, Dr Andrew Rudd.

Interviews will take place during the week of 25 March 2024.

Candidates are asked to note that they are responsible for checking their eligibility to take up the post under UK immigration rules. If you are not a British or Irish citizen, you will need to provide a share code.