MURRAY EDWARDS COLLEGE

Fixed Term (3 years) College Lectureship and Fellowship in Economics, held in association with research post in the Faculty of Economics

Further Particulars

Murray Edwards College invites applications for a College Lectureship in Economics from 1st September 2017. The post is for three years in the first instance, but there may be possibility for renewal. The person appointed will be elected to an Official Fellowship for the period. This post will be held in association with a Research Associate post in the Faculty of Economics.

Murray Edwards College was founded as New Hall in 1954 for the purposes of educating women students. It has a community of around 350 undergraduates and 170 postgraduates, and a mixed Fellowship of about sixty.

The College admits around 4 students to read Economics every year, and has a history of excellent results in the subject. The students form a strong community within the College. The College has another Fellow in Economics, Dr Sara Horrell, who is a Senior Lecturer in Economic History in the Faculty of Economics.

The person appointed will be expected to teach (‘supervise’) undergraduates for six hours per week for the twenty teaching weeks of the year, and will direct studies for students taking Economics in the College (for which there is separate remuneration). College supervision involves setting and marking work which is then discussed in meetings with small groups of students. Directors of Studies are formally responsible for advising students on the course and for reviewing their progress with them (particularly through individual meetings at the beginning and end of each term) and for finding appropriate supervisors for each course. They also play a major role in selecting students from amongst those applying for places: participation in interviews in December and January each year, and in the cross-College moderation meetings (the Winter and Summer pools) is essential. It is also hoped that the successful applicant will play a part in promoting and supporting Economics within the College and more broadly, for example through outreach activities, and will play a role in promoting issues surrounding women in Economics.

The successful applicant will also be expected to continue with their own research. S/he will be appointed to a Research Associate position in the Faculty of Economics which will enable them to pursue their own research. We would be happy to receive applications from candidates in one of the following core research areas in the Faculty: Macroeconomics, Microeconomic Theory, Applied Microeconomics or Econometrics. We would be particularly keen to appoint someone showing research strength in one of the areas supported by INET.

We will welcome applications from male or female applicants with a Ph.D. in Economics and an excellent track record in research and publication. Given the nature of the post, the successful candidate will also have experience of teaching at undergraduate level at Cambridge or at another University;
and/or have an interest in developing high-quality teaching. Experience of supervision of topics that form part of the Economics Tripos would be a distinct advantage.

This position would suit an early-career academic. The post-holder will be expected to supervise for six hours a week (for the twenty teaching weeks of the academic year), leaving the remaining time for research activities within the Faculty of Economics. The appointment will be made at spine point 47-49 (currently £37,075-£39,324), depending on experience. This arrangement is guaranteed for the three years in which the College and Faculty will collaborate on funding the position.

The person appointed will be elected to an Official Fellowship at Murray Edwards College, co-terminous with the qualifying office of College Lecturer. Fellows share collective responsibility for the governance of the College, as members of the College’s Governing Body and normally contribute to the running of the College through membership of its Council or the supporting committee structure. The person appointed will have an office in the College with computer and IT facilities, and will enjoy a range of benefits including full dining rights and access to other facilities including College gym and parking. All Fellows can apply for a research grant of up to £700 p.a., and accommodation at advantageous rates may be available.

Application letters including a curriculum vitae and statement outlining interest and plans for the position should reach the College Administrator (Ms Sarah Greaves - skg22@cam.ac.uk) by noon on Friday 9th June 2017; 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 (Dr Juliet Foster - jlf1000@cam.ac.uk).