ROBINSON COLLEGE in association with the FACULTY OF MODERN AND MEDIEVAL LANGUAGES AND LINGUISTICS of the University of Cambridge

Fellowship in Modern or Early Modern Peninsular Spanish Literature and Culture

Robinson College in association with the Faculty of Modern and Medieval Languages and Linguistics seeks to appoint a Fellow in Spanish for a fixed term of three years with effect from October 2021.

The Fellowship is tenable for a fixed term of three years and is designed as a 50:50 teaching/research position. It is envisaged that the successful candidate will be an outstanding researcher in the early stages of their career with an infectious enthusiasm for the teaching of their subject. They should hold a PhD on a subject within modern or early modern peninsular Spanish literature or culture, or be on track to submit their dissertation by the end of June 2021 at the latest.

The successful candidate will join existing MML Fellows Dr Rory Finnin (Slavonic Studies), Dr Emily Price (French) and Dr Joanna Page (Spanish), and will be expected to play a full part in the teaching and administration of the subject within Robinson. The College admits roughly 7 undergraduate students per year for MML; they typically perform extremely well.

Research (50%)
The Research Fellow is expected to pursue leading-edge research in their chosen field and to contribute to the intellectual life of the College. The College’s academic environment provides favourable conditions for research, which will be undertaken freely and without supervision on the part of the College. The results of this research are expected to be presented by the appointee at international conferences and meetings and in prestigious publications.

Teaching (50%)
The post-holder will be required to teach for an average of 6 hours per week during Full Term, including 4 hours for Robinson College and 2 hours for the Faculty. Further information about the teaching expectations is given below.

College expectations

The successful candidate will make a major contribution to the teaching of their subject within the College. This will include:

- teaching undergraduate students in small groups (supervisions) or seminars for the College. Supervisions may be taught for other Colleges by arrangement to make up the expected average of four hours per week.
- assisting other Fellows in the direction of studies for MML
- playing a full part in the recruitment and admissions process
• developing innovative methods of teaching, working closely with students to understand how they learn
• facilitating broader engagement with their subject on the part of MML students, by organizing cultural events and/or setting up a student MML society

Informal enquiries about College-related aspects of the post can be addressed to Dr Joanna Page (email jep29@cam.ac.uk) and/or Dr Rory Finnin (email ref35@cam.ac.uk).

Faculty expectations

The successful candidate will be expected to give around two hours of lectures or classes in the Faculty each week during Full Term, to a maximum of 30 hours over the year. The papers to be taught will be decided on the basis of the post-holder’s expertise and the specific teaching needs of the Faculty, but it is expected that they will contribute to EITHER SP4 and SP9 OR SP3 and SP7, and teach translation into English at Part IA and/or Part II. There may also be opportunities for the post-holder to contribute to the Faculty’s MPhil programmes. Arrangements for Faculty teaching will be agreed each year with the Undergraduate Teaching and Examining Officer for the Spanish and Portuguese Section within the MMLL Faculty. The post-holder may be asked to undertake a small amount of examining, for which additional payment would be made at the usual rate.

It is hoped that the successful candidate will want to engage with the wide range of events and activities in MMLL, and the Faculty will assign a local mentor to ensure good integration.

Informal enquiries about Faculty aspects of the post can be addressed to Dr Ioanna Sitaridou, Director of the Spanish and Portuguese Section (directorspanport@mmll.cam.ac.uk).

The pensionable stipend for the post will be in the range £30,046 - £31,865, being Steps 38-40 on the University scale.

The Fellowship associated with the post entails membership of the Governing Body of Robinson College and the rights and responsibilities therewith. The Fellowship carries with it a number of associated benefits, which include free meals taken in College, an annual research allowance of £700 and a small entertainment allowance.

Applications should be sent via email to the Senior Tutor, Robinson College, Cambridge CB3 9AN, using the address ks610@cam.ac.uk, no later than 29 March 2021. Applicants should send a completed application form (application form), a covering letter (which should include an outline of current research interests and teaching experience) and a detailed curriculum vitae. They should also include a sample of written work (published or unpublished, of approx. 10,000 words in length) and arrange for two referees to send references directly to the Senior Tutor by the same date.
At interview, applicants will be asked to give a 10-minute presentation on their research. Shortlisting will take place in late March and interviews will be held on 21 April 2021.

Robinson College and the University of Cambridge actively support equality, diversity and inclusion and encourage applications from all sections of society.

Candidates are responsible for checking their eligibility to take up the post under UK immigration rules. Unfortunately, the College can only accept applications from candidates who are already eligible to work in the UK, as the College does not hold a sponsor licence.