



Further Particulars: Lumley and Nevile Research Fellowship Competition for entry October 2027

1. Details of how to apply can be found via the College website:
<https://www.magd.cam.ac.uk/about/vacancies/academic>
2. During your appointment you will be required to devote yourself to academic research.
3. Please note that it is the responsibility of candidates to give their referees sufficient notice so that the references can be submitted by the **competition deadline of 9am GMT on Tuesday 29th September**. When nominated by candidates, referees will receive an automated email from the CASC Fellowship Application System (FAS) explaining how to submit their references. **Candidates are advised to check the completeness of their application a week in advance of the competition deadline (9am GMT Tuesday 29th September) to ensure their two references are submitted. Late references, beyond 12 noon GMT Wednesday 30th September, will not be accepted.**
4. On the application form, candidates are asked how much time they have spent in full time research. Any element of research that is not taught counts as research. Therefore, a taught Masters course would not count, but a Masters obtained through a research thesis would. Research time spent as a MPhil, PhD student or postdoc would count.
5. 2027-28 Lumley Fellowship subjects/ disciplines: the successful candidate for the Lumley Fellowship will work in one of the following fields:
History, History of Art, Classics.
Please note that candidates who applied in the 2026-27 *Lumley* Fellowship round are not eligible for this competition.
6. 2027-28 Nevile Fellowship subjects/ disciplines: the successful candidate for the Nevile Fellowship will work in one of the following fields:
Biology, Biochemistry, Medical Sciences, Psychology.
Please note that candidates who applied in the 2026-27 *Nevile* Fellowship round are not eligible for this competition.
7. If you are selected for the initial long-list of candidates whose work is to be read by expert assessors you will be asked to provide 2-3 published articles or a chapter (s) of similar length from your dissertation (*the total submission to be up to a maximum of about 15, 000 words excluding footnotes and bibliography*) which you specified in your application. Please note that written work **must** correspond with the titles on your application form. Please **do not** submit written work unless you are asked specifically to do so.
8. Written work will be read by experts in the field, who will report to the Committee. We regret that reports cannot be shared with candidates. On the basis of the information provided in your application form, references, and the reports of the readers, a short-list will be drawn up of 3-4 people for each Fellowship.
9. Short-listed candidates will be called for interview. It is anticipated that interviews will take place on **Wednesday 16th December 2025** at Magdalene College.
10. If you are asked to come for interview, please note you:
 - (i) will be asked to make a 7-minute presentation, which will be followed by a 15-minute discussion;
 - (ii) should aim to make your exposition intelligible to the members of the Board some of whom will have no detailed knowledge of your subject; however, the panel will probably also include

- an invited expert in your discipline;
- (iii) will be expected to explain what you believe to be your personal, new contribution to your research field;
- (iv) will be asked at the end of the interview whether, if you were to be offered a Research Fellowship, you would accept that offer. Upon acceptance of any offer it would be assumed that the applicant would withdraw from any other competitions.
- (v) will have an opportunity at the end of the interview to ask a question about the College or the University, though you are also encouraged to make any pertinent enquiries beforehand.
- (vi) Depending on speciality and research needs, may need to obtain a Research Fellow letter of appointment in order to access some facilities within the University.

Interview travel policy: interview candidates are expected to take reasonable care to minimise the expense and the carbon footprint of their travel plans to Magdalene College for interview. Car or motorcycle mileage can be reclaimed at 30p per mile. Please travel by public transport where possible. The College can contribute towards 2nd class standard travel to Cambridge up to £200 and will require relevant receipts or copies of e-tickets for reimbursement. Candidates who do not live in Cambridge may stay in a college guest room for one night, if these are available. Please let us know if you would like to book a room if you have been shortlisted for interview. If we are unable to offer college accommodation, candidates will need to find alternatives at their own cost. Where transport within this budget is not possible, candidates can request an interview by teleconference such as Zoom/Teams.

11. If you accept an offer, you will be required to supply the Bursar with a statement of any external funding and of your earned income from all sources and to notify the College of any change in funding during the tenure of your Fellowship. Please also note that it is a legal requirement for the College to receive from prospective Research Fellows confirmation of entitlement to work in the UK or whether a visa will be required. Magdalene College is an Equal Opportunities Employer.
12. The **current** gross stipend (2026-2027) for a Research Fellow is £31,180 p.a. A service charge will be payable if the Fellow is resident in College. The level of service charge varies according to the allocated accommodation and is likely to be in the region of around £1600-£2200 per annum. If a Fellow chooses to be resident in College estate accommodation outside the College precincts, then rent, council tax and utility bills will be charged. There is no payment in lieu of accommodation for a Research Fellow who chooses to take private accommodation. The net stipend paid to a Research Fellow will take into account any grant or stipend which the Fellow receives from other sources. Research Fellows are automatically enrolled into the USS pension scheme. More details of this scheme can be found here <https://www.uss.co.uk/> A Research Fellow will receive all the social and dining privileges associated with an Official Fellowship.
13. Should you need any assistance with the online application please contact the President's Secretary via the research fellowship **email:** research-fellows@magd.cam.ac.uk