

GONVILLE & CAIUS

COOK-CRONE RESEARCH BYE-FELLOWSHIP 2022

Further Particulars

Founded in 1348, Gonville and Caius is one of the oldest and largest Colleges in the University of Cambridge. The College offers a one-year Bye-Fellowship for research in one of the following fields:

- Biblical studies, including rabbinics and patristics
- The comparative study of religion
- Ancient Eastern languages and literature
- The History and Social Anthropology of West Asia and/or the Middle East prior to c1750

APPLICATIONS

Applications should be submitted to the Master's Office Administrative Assistant (anne.altarelli@cai.cam.ac.uk) to arrive not later than Monday 28 February 2022.

Late applications will not be accepted.

Applications should contain

1. A curriculum vitae.
2. A covering letter indicating
 - (a) Education, qualifications and publications.
 - (b) Appointments and awards held.
 - (c) Stipend or other financial assistance expected after 1 October 2022.
 - (d) Appointments or awards applied for and not yet decided.
 - (e) Subject of proposed research and outline of programme (no more than 1,000 words).
 - (f) Any plans for travel or publication, with estimated cost.
 - (g) Any other evidence that the candidate may wish to submit (no more than 500 words).
3. Please arrange for TWO referees to send a reference for you DIRECTLY to the Master's Office Administrative Assistant (anne.altarelli@cai.cam.ac.uk) by the closing date of 28 February 2022. (References will not be accepted if they are received directly from candidates.)
4. Candidates are not asked to submit any written work.
5. Candidates will not be called for interview.

BENEFACTORS

Stanley Arthur Cook (1873-1949) was admitted to the College in 1891 and elected to a Drosier Fellowship in 1900. He was Regius Professor of Hebrew at Cambridge from 1932 to 1938, and one of the founding editors of the Cambridge Ancient History.

Patricia Crone (1945-2015) took her PhD at the Warburg and a few years later was appointed university lecturer at Oxford and Fellow of Jesus College. On her move to Cambridge in 1997, she became university lecturer in Arabic and a Fellow of Caius, progressing in 1994 to a University Readership. Among her many research interests, the strongest was a fundamental questioning of the historicity of Islamic sources about the beginnings of Islam. Patricia was to become an Honorary Fellow of the College in 2013. However in 1997, she left Caius to become Andrew W. Mellon Professor at the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton, where she remained until her death in 2015. Her very generous bequest to Caius has made it possible to upgrade the S.A. Cook Bye- Fellowship from an occasional to an annual appointment.

Eligibility

It is expected that the successful candidate will have done a minimum of three years research, and produced significant published work. Research students not yet approved for the PhD are not eligible.

Bye-Fellowship details

1. The intended starting date is 1 October 2022.
2. This is a fixed-term appointment for the purpose of carrying out a specific research project free of other commitments.
3. It is open to established researchers, including those on leave or on secondment from university posts.
4. The post cannot be held in conjunction with any other appointment or award, but a limited amount of paid College teaching and occasional lecturing and examining are normally allowed.
5. Candidates should not at the time of application be employed by Cambridge University or by a Cambridge College. But a relevant Faculty may at its discretion offer the Bye-Fellow a visiting position.
6. The Bye-Fellowship comes with a possible stipend of up to £30,000. This can be paid as a stipend to cover expenses, or to be used towards replacement teaching costs at the candidate's own university, or in other ways to be agreed.
7. Up to ten meals per week will be provided free of charge where available.
8. The College offers free or subsidised accommodation (some of it suitable for double occupancy).
9. The Bye-Fellow will receive the full benefits of a Fellowship without obligation to sit on committees or take on administrative work. Bye-Fellows are not formally admitted to the College, and do not attend the termly General Meeting.
10. The successful candidate will be expected to take part in the academic and social life of the College.