

Trinity Long Room Hub
Arts and Humanities Research Institute
Visiting Research Fellowship Programme 2014-15

THREE MONTH FELLOWSHIPS

The Trinity Long Room Hub (TLRH) is Trinity College Dublin's research institute for the arts and humanities. It encompasses the Library and the Schools of Drama, Film and Music; Education; English; Histories and Humanities; Languages, Literatures and Cultural Studies; Law; Religions, Theology and Ecumenics; and the Department of Philosophy. The Institute's role is to:

- Offer a supportive world-class research environment that seeks to harness and expand the excellence of Trinity's arts and humanities research;
- Pioneer and facilitate cross-disciplinary collaborative projects;
- Increase the visibility and the impact of this research and demonstrate its relevance for contemporary and future societies;
- Provide a focal point for debates on the challenges facing the world today as well as for linking the university with the city and its educational and cultural institutions.

To provide focus for its programmes and activities and to help secure funding, the Institute champions the development of a small number of overarching priority research themes. Current themes are Identities in Transformation and Digital Humanities but it also has close links with new College themes on Creative Arts Practice, Making Ireland, and Manuscripts, Book and Print Cultures.

The Institute runs a Visiting Research Fellowship (VRF) programme each year to strengthen its international networks and to bring its researchers into intensive dialogue with the best of their respective fields.

Applications are now being considered for the Trinity Long Room Hub's 2014-15 Visiting Research Fellowship Programme. This is a closed but competitive nomination process driven by the Institute's member Schools (Heads and Directors of Research), the Library (Librarian and Director of Research), the Convenors of the College's Arts and Humanities research themes, and the TLRH Director. It offers:

- Up to ten 2-3 month fellowships
- Up to ten short term, 1-2 weeks, intensive and high impact fellowships

Terms & Conditions (2-3 month fellowships)

1. Eligibility

Fellows must be distinguished scholars of the highest standing in their respective fields, appropriate to their career stage. Fellowships are open equally to established and mid-career researchers but not normally to postdoctoral researchers.

2. Criteria

In order to ensure maximum strategic benefit to the Schools, the Library and the TLRH, VRFs must apply with a research project that supports one or more of the following strategic goals:

- TLRH research themes;
- College research themes;
- Hub Schools' research priorities;
- Interdisciplinary research projects;
- Use of the Trinity College Library collections.

3. Duration

Fellowships may be for a period of up to three months but no less than 2 months. Successful applicants must take up their awards between 1 October 2014 and 30 September 2015.

4. Benefits

Each Fellowship comes with the following benefits:

- An office in the Trinity Long Room Hub building;
- Free appropriate accommodation close to campus;
- Access to all relevant libraries and research collections;
- Membership of the Senior Common Room;
- Dining rights once a week at the formal Commons dinner in College;
- The cost of a return economy flight to and from Dublin;
- A stipend of €1,000 per month.

5. Obligations

In order to maximize interaction with the research community, Fellows are required during their stay to:

- Give a public lecture in the TLRH on their research;
- Participate in the research seminar(s) of their cognate discipline(s);
- Participate in the TLRH PG seminars;
- Be available for consultation for PG research students who work on related topics;
- Participate in at least one of the TLRH consultations;

- Meet at least once with Library representatives to discuss best practice and potential collaboration;
- In general participate in the academic life of the TLRH and its affiliated Schools;
- Submit a report at the end of their fellowship period;
- Credit the Trinity Long Room Hub Arts and Humanities Research Institute for all publications arising out of research undertaken during their fellowship.

6. Mentor

All nominators (Schools, Library, Art and Humanities Research Theme Champions and TLRH Director) are required to appoint a mentor for each nominee who will be responsible for assisting the Fellow to settle in, make contacts, integrate into College life and link up with colleagues and research students.

7. Application Deadline

Closing date for nominations is Friday, 28 March 2014.

8. Application Documents

As part of the application process, potential Fellows must submit the following information (in electronic format) to their relevant nominator:

1. The enclosed application form;
2. A 1,000 word description of the proposed research project that explains the significance and likely impact of the project and demonstrates how the research will meet the criteria under point 2 above (which is section 13 of the application form);
3. A Curriculum Vitae with publication list.

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2-3 MONTH FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION FORM

- 1. Full Name and Title:**

- 2. Current Academic Post:**

- 3. Name and full postal address of current academic institution:**

- 4. Postal address for correspondence (if different from address supplied above):**

- 5. E-mail address:**

- 6. Contact phone number (with international dial code):**

- 7. Details of doctoral degree: (title of dissertation; subject; date awarded):**

- 8. Nominating School/Library/Research Theme Convenor/TLRH Director:**

- 9. Name of mentor in host area:**

- 10. Title of proposed research project:**

- 11. Expected outputs:**

- 12. Suggested period of Fellowship (between 1 October 2014 and 30 Sep 2015):**

- 13. 1,000 word description of proposed research project:**