TRINITY COLLEGE, OXFORD

Fixed-term Stipendiary Lecturership in Classics: Further Particulars

Trinity College invites applications for a Fixed-term Stipendiary Lecturership in Classics, for one year from 1 September 2018 to 31 August 2019, in the first instance. This post is to provide cover while Dr Gail Trimble, the College’s Fellow in Classics, is on leave.

Teaching of Classics at Trinity College

Trinity College admits six or seven undergraduate students a year to read Literae Humaniores or one of the joint schools with Classics (Classics and Modern Languages, Classics and English, Classics and Oriental Studies).

The Lecturer will take a leading role in the organisation of Literae Humaniores and the Classics side of these joint schools, collaborating with the College’s other organising tutors in Classics and Ancient History, and with the organising tutors in Philosophy, English and Modern Languages.

The core requirements for teaching under this Lecturership are as follows:

- at Mods level: Virgil, Aeneid; Texts and Contexts (Roman topics); Latin language, including unseens, prose composition, and preparation for the linguistic commentary element of the Mods language paper
- at FHS level: Latin Core; Ovid; Latin Didactic

The ability to teach other papers in Latin literature, especially the Latin texts set for CML Prelims, would also be helpful. The ability to teach some papers in Greek language and literature is not essential but may be taken into account.

Current syllabus details for the First Public Examination and Final Honour School in the various courses are at: [http://www.classics.ox.ac.uk/undergraduate.html](http://www.classics.ox.ac.uk/undergraduate.html). You are asked to indicate precisely in your application which parts of the syllabi you could cover.

Full information about the College, including Equality Policy documents, is available on the College website: [http://www.trinity.ox.ac.uk](http://www.trinity.ox.ac.uk).
Duties

- to teach eight weighted hours a week averaged over the three eight-week terms. (The weighting system means that actual contact hours may be somewhat lower where the teaching is of pairs or larger groups. Teaching a pair for one hour counts as 1.25 weighted hours, teaching a group of three counts as 1.5 hours, a group of four counts as 1.75 hours, a group of five or more counts as two hours.)
- to act as Director of Studies for one year group of undergraduates studying Classics and joint schools
- to participate in the undergraduate admissions exercise for Classics and joint schools, which takes place annually in December
- to undertake other duties connected with the administration of Classics in the College, such as liaising with other tutors, taking part in College Open Days, setting and marking collections (internal College examinations), participating in the College’s outreach programme in Classics, and recommending books on Classics for purchase by the College library

Selection criteria

- education to good first degree level in Classics, and research in a relevant area of Classics, with a doctorate or substantial progress towards a doctorate
- ability and willingness to provide the teaching required; experience of teaching in the relevant subject areas would be an advantage
- ability and willingness to undertake the organisational aspect of the post, and the other associated duties as specified above

Term of appointment

This is a fixed-term appointment for one year, in the first instance, to cover Dr Trimble’s period of leave.

Stipend

The current annual stipend (under review) on the Senior Tutors’ Register scale is £17,663-£18,190 for an eight-hour appointment. All other associated duties are covered by the stipend.

Other benefits

- Eligibility for membership of the USS pension scheme
- Use of a shared teaching room in Trinity College for tutorials
- Senior Common Room membership, entitling the Lecturer to four free lunches and one free dinner per week
- Eligibility to apply to a College fund for small grants associated with research and teaching

Other terms and conditions

*Equal opportunities.* Trinity College is an equal opportunity employer. The policy
and practice of Trinity College require that entry into employment within the Colleges and progression within employment will be determined only by personal merit and the application of criteria that are related to the duties of each particular post and the relevant salary structure. Subject to statutory provisions, no applicant or member of staff will be treated less favourably than another because of his or her age; colour; disability; ethnic origin; marital status; nationality; national origin; parental status; race; religion or belief; gender or sexual orientation. In all cases, ability to perform the job will be the primary consideration. You will assist us in the monitoring of this policy if you complete and return the Equal Opportunities Questionnaire for Academic Appointments with your application; this is also on the Vacancies page of the College website. This information will be separated from your application form and will not be used for selection purposes.

Data protection. All data supplied by applicants will be used only for the purposes of determining their suitability for the post and will be held in accordance with the College’s Data Protection Policy.

Work permits. The appointment will be subject to the provision of proof of the right to work in the UK. Applicants who would need a work-visa if appointed to the post are asked to note that they will need to demonstrate that they would meet the current criteria set by the UK Border Agency.

Application and interview procedure

Please send an electronic copy of each of the following to the Academic Administrator (academic.administrator@trinity.ox.ac.uk) by midday (UK time) on 22 May 2018:

- a covering letter, including a list of the subjects on the Classics and joint schools syllabi which you are able to teach, and those which you have taught before
- a CV, including details of career, research and teaching experience and the names and email addresses of two referees

Candidates are also required to ask the two referees to email references to the Academic Administrator by the closing date.

Interviews will be held in Trinity College on Thursday 31 May 2018. On arrival, candidates will be asked to study a short passage of Latin prose, taken from one of the texts (Caesar or Cicero) set for the Latin language paper in Mods: this will be discussed in the first part of the interview. In the next part of the interview, they will be asked to give a teaching presentation to the interview panel, lasting not more than ten minutes, on a topic of their choice: this should be from one of the subjects they are able to teach, and pitched at the appropriate undergraduate level. If appropriate, three copies of a brief handout may be distributed to the panel at the time of the interview. On this occasion, no access to PowerPoint or projection facilities will be available.