ST HUGH'S COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD



Fixed-Term Stipendiary Lecturership in Classics (1 year, 8 hours per week)

St Hugh's College invites applications for a fixed-term (one-year) Stipendiary Lecturer in Classics from 15 September 2022. The appointment is to cover Professor Timothy Rood's sabbatical leave.

The salary will be between £18,616 and £20,937 per annum (current rates), according to qualifications and experience.

The successful candidate will be expected to deliver an average of eight hours per week during term of high-quality undergraduate tutorial teaching in Classics.

Applicants should have evidence of the skills needed for higher education teaching in tutorial or small group settings, underpinned by a research record commensurate with the stage of their career. They should have, or be close to completing, a doctorate in a relevant field.

The papers for which teaching is sought by the college are:

- For the First Public Examination (Honour Moderations or 'Mods'): Homer *Iliad*; Texts & Contexts; Greek and Latin Language; Aristophanes' Political Comedy.
- For the Final Public Examination ('Greats'): Greek Core; Early Greek Hexameter Poetry; Greek Tragedy; Second Classical Language (Greek).

Paper descriptions are available online here: https://www.classics.ox.ac.uk/paper-descriptions.

• There will also be a need for language support, generally in the form of reading classes for other text-based papers for Mods and Greats.

Classics at St Hugh's

St Hugh's was founded in 1886 and has around 440 undergraduates and 530 graduate students. Its Governing Body consists of some 50 Fellow Trustees and a further 20 Fellows (including Senior and Junior Research Fellows and Visiting Fellows). Teaching is supported by almost 60 college lecturers, and a non-academic staff of 90. The College has a beautiful, spacious site in North Oxford, a short walk from the University science area, with some of the finest gardens in Oxford at its heart. St Hugh's enjoys a thriving culture of research and intellectual engagement and is widely recognized to be friendly and supportive to students and staff.

The College's Tutorial Fellow in Classics is Professor Timothy Rood, who teaches a wide range of Greek literature and some Latin, as well as both Latin and Greek language. His research interests are in Greek historiography and in the reception of ancient Greek history and culture in the modern world. He is supported by four College Lecturers, Dr Paolo Fait (Classical Philosophy), Dr Peta Fowler (Latin Literature), Professor Christina Kuhn (Roman History), and Dr Panico Stylianou (Greek History). The College admits 4 students each year to read Classics or Joint Schools with Classics.

More information about St Hugh's can be found at www.st-hughs.ox.ac.uk.

The Role

The appointee will

- teach Classics for an average of eight hours per week to current undergraduates at St Hugh's for the papers listed above;
- offer pastoral support to students of Classics in St Hugh's in conjunction with the College's welfare team;
- participate in the annual admissions exercise (late Michaelmas Term each year) and be prepared to undertake appropriate training for that;
- contribute to pedagogical initiatives aimed at supporting undergraduate students of Classics at St Hugh's and mark termly college exams (known as 'collections');
- take part as required in Open Days as well as outreach and access initiatives organised by the College;
- contribute to and support the promotion of Classics at St Hugh's, including initiatives with alumni and participation in adjudicating the Mary Renault Prize.

Selection Criteria

Essential

- a good undergraduate degree in Classics;
- a PhD or DPhil either complete or nearing completion;
- evidence of experience (commensurate with career stage) of teaching undergraduates in small groups;
- evidence of research interests and activity to underpin teaching, including (as appropriate to career stage) publications in prominent journals or with leading presses;
- evidence of strong organisational skills and the ability to manage, proactively and reactively, diverse and shifting priorities;
- good communication skills, as well as the sensitivity needed to deal effectively with pastoral duties;
- evidence of the ability to work cooperatively with academic and administrative staff in the delivery of student support;
- strong written and oral communication skills including fluent English and English for academic purposes (written and spoken, although not necessarily as a native speaker).

Desirable

• experience of working with students from groups currently under-represented in higher education and at Oxford and an understanding of how the College can recruit such students.

Terms and Conditions

The basic stipend will be according to the Senior Tutors' Committee recommended scale for full-time stipendiary lecturers with a teaching stint of 8 hours per week: between £18,616 and $\pm 20,937$ per annum (actual salary), depending on experience.

The appointee will share with the Tutorial Fellows the per capita student entertainment allowance, to be used to support community spirit in Classics in the College. They will be a member of the St Hugh's Senior Common Room.

Contributory membership of USS (the Universities Superannuation Scheme) is also offered.

The appointee will be entitled to five free meals per week at the common table when the kitchens are open.

The appointee will be allocated a teaching room in College and will be able to book larger spaces when necessary.

The College conforms to University policy over parental and adoptive leave arrangements.

Appointments will be subject to the provision of proof of the right to work in the UK. To comply with UK employment legislation successful candidates will be required to provide documentary evidence of their eligibility for employment before starting work with the College. Further information is available at <u>https://www.gov.uk/browse/visas-immigration</u>.

Application Process

Applicants should submit the following as a single PDF by email to the College Office (college.office@st-hughs.ox.ac.uk).

- An application cover sheet (available from the College website) this also asks for the names of two referees whom you should ask to submit references to the same email address by the closing date.
- An up-to-date *curriculum vitae*.
- A covering letter (maximum of two A4 pages) showing how the selection criteria are fulfilled and outlining the candidate's experience and understanding of the needs of this post.

Shortlisted candidates may be asked to submit one or two writing samples, and these should be ready to send by the closing date.

Informal inquiries may be made to the Senior Tutor (<u>robert.vilain@st-hughs.ox.ac.uk</u>) or to the Tutorial Fellow in Classics (<u>timothy.rood@st-hughs.ox.ac.uk</u>). Such inquiries will not influence the selection and appointment procedure in any way.

The closing date for receipt of applications and references is midday on 30 June 2022.

Interviews are provisionally scheduled for Friday 8 July 2022.

Candidates are encouraged to complete a Recruitment Monitoring Form which will assist the College with monitoring equal opportunities in recruitment. The information given is not used in recruitment decisions and is strictly confidential: is it used purely for statistical purposes and to ensure that policies are being applied fairly. The form should be emailed separately from your application to <u>hr@st-hughs.ox.ac.uk</u>.

As part of our diversity strategy, the College is actively seeking applicants from groups that are currently under-represented within our academic staff, in particular black and minority ethnic candidates, and women of all ethnicities.