COLLEGE TEACHING ASSOCIATE IN HISTORY
Further Particulars

Requirement

Peterhouse, Cambridge seeks to make a fixed-term appointment of a College Teaching Associate in History for up to one year from 1st October 2018, ending no earlier than on 30th June 2019 and no later than on 30th September 2019. This appointment is to fill a vacancy occasioned by the success of Scott Mandelbrote in gaining research leave funded by the Isaac Newton Trust during 2018-19. The successful applicant must have a completed PhD and have experience in university-level undergraduate teaching. It is expected that the successful applicant will offer 120 hours of teaching for the College in the field of early modern history broadly defined (up to 20 hours of which may be commuted into up to 8 University lectures or classes at a rate of 2.5:1). The successful applicant should be able to teach at least two of papers 4, 5, 9, 10, 16 in Part I of the Historical Tripos and will be expected to contribute to the College’s teaching of Historical Argument and Practice. It would be an advantage also to be able to contribute to the teaching (supervision, lectures, classes) for Paper 17 in Part II of the Historical Tripos. Additional hours of teaching will be remunerated at the normalised supervision rate for paired supervisions. Admissions interviewing in History may be required, in which case it will remunerated at the College’s standard rates (the first 8 hours to be regarded as contracted; payment beyond that to be at the normalised supervision rate for paired supervisions).

Peterhouse
Peterhouse is the oldest of the constituent colleges in the University of Cambridge. It was founded in 1284 by Hugo de Balsham, Bishop of Ely, on its current site close to the centre of the City.

As a charitable institution, dedicated to the pursuit of excellence in education, religion, learning and research, Peterhouse has made its own distinctive contribution to society for over 700 years.

It is one of the smaller Colleges, housing an intellectual community of some 45 Fellows, 260 undergraduates and 110 graduate students.
History at Peterhouse

Each year the college admits between 70 and 80 undergraduates. Of these, about 8-10 read History, normally chosen from around 20-25 applicants. The Historical Tripos is a three-year course which embraces almost all aspects of ancient and modern history. The first and second years of study (examined in Prelims and in Part I of the Historical Tripos) include a paper on Historical Argument and Practice, and a choice of outline papers in British Political History, British Economic and Social History, European History, American History, World History, and the History of Political Thought, as well as faculty-taught Themes and Sources papers. The third year (Part II of the Tripos) comprises a Special Subject, one or two Specified Subjects (one of which may be replaced by a dissertation), and a paper in Historical Argument and Practice. Details of the courses and examination options in the Historical Tripos can be found here: https://www.hist.cam.ac.uk/prospective-undergrads/history-course.

Peterhouse historians such as Herbert Butterfield, Maurice Cowling, David Knowles, Hugh Trevor-Roper and Tony Wrigley have played a prominent role in the intellectual development of the modern historical profession. The College currently has four Fellows in History and allied subjects who cover, between them, ancient, medieval, early modern, and modern history, and who teach a number of papers in British and European history, and the history of political thought. As a result, many supervisions in the first and second year, and some in the final year, take place in College. Sophie Lunn-Rockliffe specializes in late Roman history, with a focus on early Christian life and thought; Magnus Ryan works on the history of political ideas, especially in the Middle Ages, and the relationship between law and politics between roughly 1100 and 1600; Scott Mandelbrote’s interests range across early modern British and European intellectual history, in particular the history of scholarship and the history of science; Brendan Simms works on modern European history, with interests in the German Question, Britain and Europe, humanitarian intervention and state construction. Scott Mandelbrote will be on leave; the postholder will work most closely with Sophie Lunn-Rockliffe (who directs studies in Part I) and Magnus Ryan (who directs studies in Part II). The postholder may also assist with the teaching of History and Politics and/or History and Modern Languages.

The Peterhouse History Society meets regularly and is organized by our undergraduates. It invites distinguished speakers from outside Cambridge to talk about their work in an informal setting. The Ward Library – named after one of the editors of The Cambridge Modern History – houses one of the most complete collections of modern historical literature in the University, tailored to the needs of undergraduate historians.

The standards achieved by students from Peterhouse in the university History exams are consistently high.
PRINCIPAL RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES

Job title: College Teaching Associate

Responsible to: the Senior Tutor, Directors of Studies in History

Job Purpose: To provide teaching in English for an average of six hours per week during the teaching weeks of the Cambridge academic year (120 hours in total)

Responsibilities: In addition to teaching and taking part in the intellectual, educational, and social life of the College the successful candidate will be expected to engage in research.

Teaching

- To provide teaching (supervisions and group classes) on Historical Argument and Practice for first-year students in College.
- To provide teaching (supervisions) for first- and second-year students in early modern history (broadly defined)
- To be willing to offer supervision on dissertations if they fall within the post-holder’s area of expertise.
- It is desirable that the postholder will also offer teaching (supervisions, lectures and classes) in Paper 17 (The Politics of Knowledge) in Part II of the Historical Tripos.
- To provide clear guidance to students at the beginning of a set of supervisions about what is expected of them in terms of preparation, participation in supervision discussions, deadlines for submission of work and the arrangement of supervision times.
- To ensure that students receive timely feedback on their supervision work during term, both week by week in supervisions and through reports made in a timely way using CAMCORS.
- To liaise regularly with the relevant Directors of Studies regarding the welfare of the students.

Admissions

- To participate in admissions assessments and interviews.
- To assist with Open Days and other visits of prospective candidates and school teachers, if asked to do so.

Additional responsibilities

- To attend a training session in admissions interviewing, if asked to do so.
- To contribute to the academic community in the College, fostering and promoting excellence in the cultural environment for History and engaging in societies, seminars and other events and activities relating to History.
**Person specification**
Candidates must have an exceptional academic record. Previous teaching experience is desirable. The post would suit a post-doctoral researcher who is interested in gaining additional teaching experience. Candidates will also be selected by reference to their ability to contribute to the intellectual, educational, and social life of the College.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

**Length of contract:**
This is a fixed-term non-renewable post which will be offered for a period of one year from 1 October 2018 until 30 September 2019, and is to provide cover during a period of leave.

**Stipend and Pension:**
The annualised remuneration will be between £21,750 and £24,667 depending on accommodation requirements. The postholder will be eligible for single occupancy residential accommodation in College free of charge. Double accommodation may be available but is subject to contributions to rent and bills for a partner. The post is pensionable under the Universities Superannuation Scheme (USS).

In addition to the salary, the post-holder will be offered a Research Allowance of £1,389 which can be used to cover expenses incurred in pursuing the post-holder’s research interests and an Entertainment Allowance of £613 which is to be used to keep up the Peterhouse tradition of entertaining undergraduate students within the College.

**Other benefits include:**
- Membership of the College;
- Category I Dining privileges which includes up to seven meals a week (either lunch or dinner) at College expense;
- Use of the College Library, with associated borrowing privileges;
- Invitations to various College entertainments and events;
- Use of certain College facilities, including the gym and Parlour;
- A College room for teaching and research;
- Parking in the College car park subject to availability.

**Recruitment Process**
Those wishing to be considered for the post should apply by email to college.secretary@pet.cam.ac.uk, including a letter of application and curriculum vitae, by 5pm on Friday 22 June 2018. Applicants should arrange for two letters of support to have been received by the College Secretary by the same deadline. It is expected that interviews will be held on Monday 9 July 2018.