

Regent's Park College Oxford



Post

Lillian Goldman Non-Stipendiary Junior Research Fellowships (x2)

Overview of Role

The College seeks to elect two non-stipendiary Junior Research Fellows from Hilary Term 2026 for a period of 5 terms. These posts are funded through a benefaction from the Lillian Goldman Charitable Trust.

The aims of the Fellowship are to:

- enhance the College environment for graduate students
- enrich the College's research culture
- broaden the range of academic disciplines represented in the College's Senior Common Room

Candidates must be engaged in research work within an Oxford University Faculty or Department, to spend the greater part of the academic year in Oxford, and to notify the College of any changes to their circumstances. Candidates should be associated with one of the following University of Oxford Faculties or Departments:

- Archaeology
- Blavatnik School of Government
- Economics
- Geography and the Environment
- Interdisciplinary Area Studies
- International Development
- Law
- Politics and International Relations
- Social Anthropology
- Said Business School
- Social Policy and Intervention and Sociology

Applicants should normally be early career researchers who are in the final years of their DPhil or within three years of receipt of a doctorate. Preference may be given to those who are already in possession of a doctorate. This Fellowship is not suitable for someone at an early stage of doctoral study. No more than three years should have elapsed since receipt of a doctorate.¹ It is anticipated that holders of the Fellowships still on course will normally migrate to Regent's Park College to take up their Fellowship

The Fellowships are non-stipendiary and it is expected that successful candidates will have other funding in Oxford for the duration of their appointment. Successful applicants will receive a stipend of £1,424 per annum and an allowance of £900 per annum for meals in College. They will be eligible to apply for conference bursaries of up to £300 to enable them to attend one conference relevant to their discipline per year.

¹ (Exceptions will be made only for candidates whose postdoctoral academic career has been interrupted by, for example, childbirth, family commitments, illness or compulsory military service. A statement giving reasons why an exception should be considered must be included with the application.)

The Lillian Goldman Junior Research Fellows are not eligible to be elected members of the College's Governing Body, nor are they eligible to attend the Fellows' Meetings. The Junior Research Fellows may be asked to act as a College Advisor for graduate students. They may be offered a small amount undergraduate teaching in College for which they will be separately remunerated.

Application procedure

1. Persons considering applying who would like an informal conversation with the Vice-Principal about the Fellowships may arrange such a conversation by human.resources@regents.ox.ac.uk.
2. Applications are welcome from all suitably qualified candidates, including those from backgrounds which are under-represented in academic posts in Oxford.
3. There is no separate application form for these Fellowships. Those wishing to apply for the Fellowships should submit their materials by email to human.resources@regents.ox.ac.uk. Applications should include:
 - a covering letter, addressed to the Research Committee, demonstrating their interest in and suitability for the Fellowship
 - a curriculum vitae, including a list of publications and the names and contact details of two referees
 - a statement about current and future research (maximum 2 pages)
 - a sample of their academic writing
4. Candidates should ask their two referees to send their reference letters directly to human.resources@regents.ox.ac.uk before the closing date for applications. It is the responsibility of the candidate to ensure that their references are received on or before the deadline.
5. The closing deadline for applications is **noon Thursday 20th November**.
6. All applicants will be asked to complete an Equal Opportunities Monitoring (EOM) form. This is voluntary. The information is used for monitoring purposes only and will not be seen by any member of the selection committee.
7. If required, Interviews may be held in the week beginning **1st December**
8. The starting date for the fellowships will be 2nd January 2026
9. Successful candidates will be required to provide satisfactory evidence of their Right to Work in the UK. This is a requirement for 'unpaid' positions as well as paid employment.. This will include right-to-work and proof of identity.

Equality of Opportunity

The policy and practice of Regent's Park College require that all applicants are afforded equal opportunities. Election will be determined only by personal merit and the application of criteria which are related to the requirements of the Fellowship. Subject to statutory provisions, no applicant will be treated less favourably than another because of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage or civil partnership, pregnancy or maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, or sexual orientation.

Appendix 1

Regent's Park College, Oxford

The University of Oxford comprises 39 Colleges and 4 Permanent Private Halls which are collectively associated with the academic departments and central offices. Regent's Park College was founded in Stepney, London, in 1810, incorporating a Baptist Education Society formed in 1752 to which the College traces its roots. It became a Permanent Private Hall of the University of Oxford in 1957, with full rights to matriculate undergraduate and postgraduate students in the University and with its Fellows as teaching members of the University Faculties.

Regent's Park College is the largest of Oxford's four Permanent Private Halls, with in the region of 200 full-time and 70 part-time students. These include approximately 115 undergraduates, 115 postgraduates, 30 candidates on vocational theology and ministry courses and 15 FTE visiting students who come for between one and three terms as part of their home degree, many from the USA and the EU. Undergraduates study on courses in the Humanities and Social Sciences including, English, Geography, History, Human Science, Politics, Law, Philosophy, Theology and Economics and associated joint degrees. Postgraduates study a wide range of courses and programmes.

The College is committed to enabling all students who so desire to make connections between their academic disciplines and religious faith. It has particular interest in developing inter-disciplinary approaches to teaching and research engaging with theology. As a Baptist foundation in membership of the Baptist Union of Great Britain, an indispensable part of the work of Regent's Park College is the training of candidates for the Baptist ministry in the United Kingdom and abroad, through both residential and church-based courses.

The College occupies an historic site in the centre of Oxford on the corner of St. Giles and Pusey Street, an advantageously located between the Ashmolean Museum and the University's Radcliffe Observatory Quarter. Regent's Park College is committed to academic excellence and has a reputation as a friendly and supportive community.

Further information can be found on the college's web site: <http://www.rpc.ox.ac.uk>.