Applications are invited for a Research Fellowship starting on 1 October 2019 and tenable for three years following, ie to September 2022. This year’s competition covers Asian and Middle Eastern Studies; English; Linguistics; Medieval and Modern Languages; and Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic (the interdisciplinary study of the history, languages and literatures of Britain, Brittany, Ireland and Scandinavia in the early medieval period). Research in any subject covered by this description is eligible for the current Research Fellowship competition.

The Fellowship is open to graduates of any university and of any age, but it is intended to support those at the earliest stage of their academic career. It is not intended for anyone who has already held a substantial post-doctoral position of two years or more (excluding any 1-year teaching or research associate positions). Candidates must have submitted their PhD prior to interview but no more than five years before the start of the Fellowship in October 2019 (excluding career breaks). Potential applicants should note that the standard needed to progress to the later stages of the competition is extremely high.

The competition involves the assessment of candidates’ submitted work and an interview. Candidates will be asked to provide a 600-word summary of current and future research. Long-listed candidates will be invited to submit two pieces of written work, each of no more than 10,000 words, accompanied by a short note explaining how each fits into their overall research programme. Candidates travelling overseas should note that, should they be invited to interview, the College cannot pay for international travel. We shall, however, cover the costs of travel within the UK and offer overnight accommodation at Girton. Overseas candidates may be interviewed via Skype.

The emoluments of the Fellowship are reviewed annually. The present scale (from 1 August 2018) will rise by two annual increments from £19,850 to £22,214 p.a. for Research Fellows who have not yet obtained their PhD and from £20,989 to £23,557 p.a. for post-doctoral Research Fellows. The Fellowship is pensionable under the Universities Superannuation Scheme and emoluments are paid monthly in arrears by bank transfer. The post-holder is required to provide four hours of paid supervision teaching per week, but no more than six, during the twenty weeks of the teaching year; in some circumstances, this requirement may be reduced in the first year of Fellowship. Research Fellows may claim research expenses up to a total of £2,500 over the three years. Accommodation, if required, and all meals will be provided at Girton for the duration of the fellowship. As a research fellow, you will be a member of the College’s Governing Body.

The closing date for applications is 9am on Monday 7 January 2019. Long-listed candidates will be invited to submit work by Wednesday 30 January 2019, and interviews for short-listed candidates will be held on Thursday 7 March 2019.

Further details of the appointment and the online application process are available from the College website at www.girton.cam.ac.uk/vacancies. Applications should be made online using the Fellowship Application System https://app.casc.cam.ac.uk/fas_live/g_arts.aspx. Please note that the College has a responsibility to ensure that all employees are eligible to live and work in the UK.