



ST PETER'S
COLLEGE
UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

College Lectureship in Physics (part-time)

Further Particulars

St. Peter's College invites applications for a fixed-term part-time College Lectureship in Physics for a period of one year (1 October 2026 to 30 September 2027).

Applicants should have completed, or have made substantial progress towards, a doctoral dissertation in this subject. The position will be particularly suitable for an early career scholar seeking experience in college teaching and administration.

The College currently admits around six undergraduate students a year to read Physics and also accepts one or two Visiting Students per year. The appointee will work alongside the College's Fellows in Physics (Prof Christopher Foot and Dr William Coulton) and other lecturers.

Full information about the College is available on the College website www.spc.ox.ac.uk.

1. Duties

The person appointed to the post will be expected to teach tutorials and classes covering the following subject areas:

Michaelmas term:

Y1: CP3 (Mathematical Methods 1) and CP4 (Mathematical Methods 2)

Hilary term:

CP3 and CP4

Trinity term:

CP3 and CP4, including revision for these papers.

Further information about the contents of these papers can be found in the relevant course handbook.

The successful applicant will be expected to:

- (i) provide an average of three hours¹ of undergraduate tutorials and classes per week for St Peter's College undergraduate and visiting students, and to provide feedback on students' work, both week by week and at the end of term;
- (ii) assist with the organisation of the tuition for students studying Physics (with particular responsibility for Y1 students), including marking college examinations ('collections') and mock examination questions in the subjects taught; and
- (iii) participate in the admissions procedures for undergraduate students, including the assessment of UCAS forms and interviewing (during December each year); and

¹ Teaching hours are calculated on the basis of teaching students in pairs. (Any hours spent teaching larger groups are counted as 1.2 hours, while any hours spent with individual students count as 0.8 hours.)

- (iv) undertake pastoral responsibilities in liaison with the College Welfare Team and the tutors in Physics.

A more detailed guide to tutorial responsibilities and other information will be communicated to the successful candidate by the Senior Tutor following appointment.

2. Selection Criteria

To be successful, candidates will need to show that they meet the following selection criteria:

- (i) be a dedicated and inspiring teacher of Physics, with demonstrable research potential (eg. a doctorate, or substantial progress towards one), and a willingness to contribute to the intellectual culture of Physics within the College;
- (ii) have experience of, or demonstrable commitment to, tutorial teaching and the ability to inspire students both individually and in groups;
- (iii) have the potential to discharge willingly and competently the full range of academic administrative duties, besides teaching, upon which the effective operation of Physics as a subject within the College depends;
- (iv) have good communication and interpersonal skills; and
- (v) be prepared to undertake admissions training and other training if necessary.

3. Remuneration and conditions

Term of appointment

The period of appointment will be from 1 October 2026 to 30 September 2027.

Remuneration and other conditions

Remuneration will be *pro rata* on the Senior Tutors Committee scale for Stipendiary Lecturers. The current (2025-26) rate for a 3-hour post is £8,453 to £9,335 pa (£704 to £778 per month). The appointee will have access to an entertainment allowance of £84 pa.

Pension scheme

The Lecturer will be automatically enrolled in the Universities Superannuation Scheme with effect from the start date of their employment; it is possible subsequently to opt out.

Senior Common Room

The successful candidate will be an associate member of the Senior Common Room and will be entitled to three free lunches or dinners per week during termtime and two lunches per week during the vacation, provided that the kitchens are open (they are occasionally closed for short periods, normally during the vacation). They will not be a member of the College's Governing Body.

College teaching rooms may be booked as necessary.

4. Application procedure

Candidates should send a letter of application that includes a statement of which options/courses they are able to teach, a CV and the name and contact details of one referee

electronically to academic.appointments@spc.ox.ac.uk (contact telephone 01865 278857) by **12noon on Monday 6 July 2026**, (There is no application form.) Candidates should ask their referee to write on their behalf to the same email address by the closing date.

Please include the words 'Physics Lectureship' in the subject line of all email correspondence.

It is expected that shortlisted candidates will be invited to attend an interview on **Thursday 16 July 2026**.

Informal queries can be sent to Prof Christopher Foot (christopher.foot@physics.ox.ac.uk).

St Peter's is an equal opportunities employer.

The appointment will be subject to the provision of proof of the right to work in the UK.

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