College Lectureship in German (part-time)

Further Particulars

St Peter’s College and Hertford College invite applications for a College Lectureship in German available for one year with effect from 1 April 2019. Applicants should have submitted, or be close to submitting, a doctoral dissertation/thesis in German.

St Peter’s College has three Tutorial Fellows in Modern Languages (French, Portuguese and German) while Hertford College has two (French and Spanish). The Tutorial Fellowship in German at St Peter’s, a joint post with Hertford College, is held by Dr Joanna Neilly who will be on maternity leave for a year from late April 2019. The two colleges participate in the intercollegiate German Lektor/Lektorin scheme sponsored by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), and the Lektor is currently hosted by St Peter’s College.

In the current academic year there are 20 undergraduates across the two colleges reading for degrees involving German, including four currently on their Year Abroad.

Full information about St Peter’s College is available at www.spc.ox.ac.uk and information about Hertford College is available at www.hertford.ox.ac.uk. Information about the Sub-Faculty of German can be accessed here: www.mod-langs.ox.ac.uk/german.

1. General

The person appointed to the post will fulfil the role of organising tutor in German for the two Colleges and be expected to teach the equivalent of six hours of tutorials or classes for the two Colleges each week during term time, or the annualized equivalent of this amount, depending on variable demand across the academic year.

The post-holder will also be expected to deliver 24 hours of teaching for the Sub-Faculty of German (which may include lectures, seminars, and other classes) and to assist with some administrative duties (probably relating to schools liaison activities) in the Sub-Faculty.

2. Tutorial Responsibilities of the Lecturer

The main responsibilities of the Lecturer will be as follows:

For St Peter’s and Hertford Colleges:
(a) To hold organisational responsibility for the teaching of undergraduate German students in the two Colleges, keeping in close touch with the German Sub-Faculty and working in association with the Tutorial Fellows in Modern Languages, the German Lektor and any non-stipendiary lecturers in German.

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.) The post is remunerated as an 8-hour post while having six hours of tutorial/class teaching for the College because of the additional teaching for the Faculty (24 hours over the period of the appointment).
(b) To plan and provide tutorial teaching for an average of six weighted hours in each week of full term, teaching an appropriate selection of the following papers:

- Prelims (first-year) Paper II: Translation from German
- Prelims Paper III: Commentary (on an extract from one of the Paper IV set texts and on a range of prescribed poems)
- Prelims Paper IV: German prose, drama and film from 1890 to 1937(8 set works)
- FHS (2nd & 4th year) Paper II: Translation from German
- FHS Paper VIII: Modern German Literature (1770 to the Present): Texts, Contexts and Issues (taught in 8 hour-long tutorials)
- Selected authors from FHS Paper X: Luther, Schiller, Hölderlin, Kleist, Hoffmann, Heine, Rilke, Thomas Mann, Kafka, Brecht, Grass, Wolf, Bernhard, Jelinek, Herta Müller, Petzold. The successful candidate would not be required to teach all of these authors; three or four is the standard. It is strongly desirable that the postholder would have particular teaching expertise in a range of eighteenth- or nineteenth-century authors from this list. In addition to this, there is a whole paper dedicated to the works of Goethe: depending on expertise the successful candidate may offer some teaching for this paper.
- In addition, for 4th year undergraduates across the colleges, selected subjects from the Paper XII special options, within the postholder’s area of expertise. As above, teaching expertise within the late eighteenth and/ or the nineteenth century is desirable.
- Supervision of optional extended essays (Paper XIV).

Further information about these Papers can be found in the relevant Course Handbooks, accessible at: https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/access/content/group/modlang/general/handbooks/index.html

(c) To ensure that students receive timely feedback on their work during term, both week by week and in termly reports, and to set and mark internal examinations (‘Collections’).

(d) To lead the Colleges’ undergraduate admissions procedures in German including reading UCAS forms, marking written work samples, and interviewing.

(e) To undertake academic administration (e.g. the planning and organisation of students’ subject options; the endorsement of applications made by students for travel grants and other College assistance; the writing of references; the selection of books for the College Libraries etc.).

(f) To undertake pastoral responsibilities in liaison with the Colleges’ Welfare Teams. Attendance is very strongly encouraged at College events to which Lecturers are invited.

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2 The set texts are: Arthur Schnitzler, Liebelei; Frank Wedekind, Frühlings Erwachen; Bertolt Brecht, Aufstieg und Fall der Stadt Mahagonny; Fritz Lang, M; Theodor Fontane, Effi Briest; Thomas Mann, Der kleine Herr Friedemann; Franz Kafka, Die Verwandlung; Irmgard Keun, Nach Mitternacht.
A more detailed guide to tutorial responsibilities and other information will be provided to the successful candidate by the Senior Tutor on appointment.

*For the German Sub-Faculty:*

The successful candidate will provide 24 hours of central teaching for the German Sub-Faculty. This will include lectures on nineteenth-century topics, including on Paper X authors, which are delivered as a four-lecture series per author. They may additionally be required to teach central Sub-Faculty seminars for the Prelims German Sole Paper XII, ‘Key Texts in German Thought’ (Kant, Marx & Engels, Nietzsche, and Freud).

As part of his / her duties for the German Sub-Faculty, the appointee will be expected to take part in the Sub-Faculty’s Schools Liaison programme. This will include: assisting with the organisation of Oxford’s ‘UNIQ’ summer school programme in Modern Languages (see [www.uniq.ox.ac.uk](http://www.uniq.ox.ac.uk)); and providing taster sessions and information at Open Days; these activities may count in part against the Faculty teaching stint.

3. **Criteria for appointment**

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

(i) To have completed (or be close to completing) a doctorate in German, and to show evidence of a developing research profile, as appropriate to career stage, in German Studies, preferably with an expertise in nineteenth-century literature (which may be understood as the ‘long’ nineteenth century).

(ii) To have experience in teaching German language and literature at a level that would enable her/him to teach Oxford undergraduates in some of the courses listed above.

(iii) To demonstrate the ability to be an effective and inspiring teacher of German, particularly to undergraduates of high ability in a tutorial system.

(iv) To have the potential to discharge willingly and competently the full range of academic administrative duties, besides teaching, upon which the effective operation of German as a subject within the two Colleges depends.

(v) To be able to contribute to the work of the team of academic staff in Modern Languages at St Peter’s and Hertford.

(vi) To be prepared to undertake admissions training if necessary.

4. **Remuneration and Conditions**

*Term of appointment*

The appointment will be for a fixed term of one year, from 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020.

*Remuneration and other conditions*

The salary will be pro rata on the Senior Tutors Committee scale for Stipendiary Lecturers. The rate for an 8-hour post is £18,017 to £20,263 per annum (£1,501 to £1,689 per month). Stipendiary Lecturers of the College have access to an Entertainment Allowance at the rate paid to Official Fellows calculated pro rata according to stint. The allowance for this post will be £185 over the
period of the appointment.

**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 of St Peter’s and will be entitled to eight free lunches or dinners per week in Full Term and two lunches per week during the vacation, provided 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.

The Lecturer will also be an associate member of Hertford’s Senior Common Room, with an entitlement to free lunches while undertaking teaching duties in term time and during vacations, along with one dinner each week during term time (weeks 0–9) without cost.

### 5. Application procedure

Candidates should send a letter of application describing their teaching experience, together with a curriculum vitae and the names and contact details of two referees (one of whom should be the current doctoral supervisor if applicable) electronically to academic.appointments@spc.ox.ac.uk (contact telephone 01865 278857) by **12noon on Thursday 31 January 2019** (There is no application form.)

Candidates should ask their referees to write on their behalf to academic.appointments@spc.ox.ac.uk by the closing date.

Please include the words ‘German Lectureship’ in the subject line of all email correspondence.

It is expected that shortlisted candidates will be invited to attend an interview on Thursday 14 February 2019.

General queries can be sent to Dr Joanna Neilly (joanna.neilly@spc.ox.ac.uk).

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

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