

Early Career Fellowship Guidance for Applicants

The Leverhulme Trust Board, through its Research Awards Advisory Committee, is offering approximately **145 Fellowships in 2023**. These provide career development opportunities for researchers with a proven record of research. The Fellowships are intended to assist those at a relatively early stage of their academic careers, and it is hoped that the appointment would lead to a more permanent position for the individual, either within the same or another institution. The objective is for Fellows to undertake a significant piece of publishable research during the tenure of the award, and the project put forward should therefore not be a reworking or mere extension of the candidate's doctoral research project.

Eligible applicants

- Applicants **must not** yet have held a **full-time permanent academic post in a UK university or comparable UK institution**

the closing date if they can make a case for their work having been impacted by the pandemic. Hence **those who formally submitted their doctoral thesis for viva voce examination between 23 February 2018 and 23 February 2019 are eligible to apply if their work has been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic** and they should explain their case in their application.

- Applicants must **either** hold a degree (any degree) from a UK higher education institution at the time of taking up the Fellowship **or** at the time of the application deadline must hold an academic position in the UK (e.g. fixed-term lectureship, fellowship) which commenced no less than 4 months prior to the closing date. Hence, **those who do not hold a UK degree and whose UK academic position commenced after October 2022 are not eligible.** The Trust will consider candidates without a UK degree. The f846661d18020d18(5)2m-006(0050-61)2m)6(c-

There are two reasons for this: substantial funding is available from other sources for applied medical research; the Trust's priority is to support investigations of a fundamental nature.

teaching hours. A modest amount of examining associated with any teaching undertaken is permissible, but if the Fellow is asked to undertake any administrative tasks, these should relate directly to the teaching and/or research (s)he does. **The total time spent on teaching duties (i.e. preparation, teaching, examining, marking and administration) should not exceed one day per teaching week in term time.** It is important that an award holder's teaching does not hinder progress on his or her research project. The Fellow or head of department should provide the Trust with details of the Early Career Fellow's teaching duties at the start of each year or term.

Additional commitments

The scheme is based on a pattern of joint support whereby the Leverhulme Trust will contribute **50% of the Fellow's total salary costs**

