

Visiting Fellowship in History of Mathematics at St Andrews

The School of Mathematics and Statistics at the University of St Andrews invites applications to its bi-annual Non-Stipendiary Visiting Fellowship scheme for the academic year 2020-21. The fellowship is open to all interested researchers, whether or not affiliated to a university. Junior and senior applicants are equally welcome, though applicants should have submitted a PhD.

The Visiting Fellowship provides an opportunity for applicants external to the University of St Andrews to participate in the research life of the History of Mathematics Group within the School, and to research a topic in the University Library's Special Collections. St Andrews hosts the well-known MacTutor Archive, a biographical database of mathematicians with nearly 3000 entries (<http://mathshistory.st-andrews.ac.uk>). The University Library's unique Special Collections contain an outstanding collection of books, archives and photography, accumulated throughout the six hundred years since the University's foundation. They are especially rich in the History of Mathematics (<https://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/library/specialcollections/>).

The Fellow will be expected to:

- Collaborate with staff from Mathematics and Statistics on at least one research output
- Contribute to MacTutor

In addition, the Fellow should be willing to deliver one or more seminars to our staff, the student mathematical society, or the general public.

They may, optionally, also choose to interact with other Schools in the University (e.g. Philosophy, History, Museum Studies), but should keep the primary focus of their activities in Mathematics & Statistics.

The Fellowship will be for a period of up to two months, the majority of which should be during the St Andrews teaching semester (roughly mid-September to end November, or end January to end April). This will maximize the opportunities for interaction with staff and students.

The Fellow will receive:

- financial support *up to* a maximum of £1500 per month towards travel, accommodation and subsistence costs;
- the opportunity to draw on the Special Collections of the University of St Andrews Library for research;
- office space in the Mathematical Institute;
- full library and information systems access.

To apply, please email mathshos@st-andrews.ac.uk:

- a CV, including full publication list;
- a description of the research project that you would pursue during the fellowship period (1000 words max);
- your preferred start and end dates;
- Please also arrange for an academic letter of reference to be sent to mathshos@st-andrews.ac.uk.

Applications, including letters of reference, should be received by noon British Summer Time on 31 ~~March~~ May. We expect to inform the successful applicant by 30 ~~April~~ June.

Further information about the School of Mathematics & Statistics, and the University of St Andrews is at <https://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/math/> and <https://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/>.

Informal inquiries about the Fellowship may be addressed to Isobel Falconer (ijf3@st-andrews.ac.uk).