British Academy Postdoctoral Fellowship scheme 2021/2022
School of Archaeology – Expressions of Interest

Deadline for receipt of EOs is 5pm on Thursday 19 August 2021

The School of Archaeology welcomes interest from applicants to this scheme.

Before submitting an Expression of Interest, please check (contacting research@arch.ox.ac.uk) that the School is the most appropriate department through which to apply, especially if your field of research also intersects with other disciplines (e.g. Classics, Anthropology, etc.).

Submitting an Expression of Interest

The British Academy Postdoctoral Fellowships are highly competitive, and the School sets a limit on the number of applications that can be supported. We therefore run a selection and ranking exercise to identify those that we are able to support. This is unlikely to be more than three per round.

If you are interested in making an application, the first step is to identify a mentor who is an academic member of the School of Archaeology. Potential applicants should then submit a formal Expression of Interest (EoI) to the School by 5pm on Thursday 19 August 2021. The EoI should be sent as a single pdf document to research@arch.ox.ac.uk, and contain the following:

1. A summary of the intended project (maximum length 2 A4 pages). Candidates should ensure that this summary covers both the specific research questions of the project and its broader archaeological relevance. It should also address the feasibility of completing the project within the scheme’s timeframe, and the project’s fit to the School of Archaeology.
2. A list of what would be required from the host institution within the project (e.g. scientific analyses/facilities/equipment/space/supervision).
3. A CV.
4. A statement of support from the mentor within the School, indicating the relevance of the research to the broader interests of the School and their support of the proposal and applicant.

EoIs will be assessed and ranked on academic merit, the viability of the proposed research project and its feasibility at Oxford, and the extent to which the research fits within the interests of the School. The School will consider its research priorities and resource/pace implications when reaching a decision.

Those who do not submit an Expression of Interest by the above deadline cannot be considered for this round.

Candidates who are invited to proceed to the full application stage will be required to submit a full draft to the School by Thursday 23 September 2021, for review. Please note that we cannot guarantee that all applications will ultimately be approved for submission. Final applications must be submitted to the University’s Research Services by Thursday 07 October.

Should you have any queries, please contact research@arch.ox.ac.uk.

For further information about the scheme, please see the funder’s website at this link. The funder deadline for full applications is Thursday 14 October 2021.