

Candidate Information

Position:	Research Fellow
School/Department:	School of Natural and Built Environment
Reference:	19/107234
Closing Date:	Thursday 21 March 2019
Salary:	£33,199 - £39,610 per annum (potential to progress to £43,266 per annum through sustained exceptional contribution)
Anticipated Interview Date:	Friday 5 April 2019
Duration:	18 months

JOB PURPOSE:

To undertake research, administration, and other activities supporting the John Templeton Foundation funded project Conjunctive Explanations: how Science and Religion can work together (CESAR): Area 1, History of Science and Religion, directed by Dr Diarmid Finnegan (PI) and Professor David Livingstone (CI). The aim of area 1 is to explore and examine the relations between evolutionary theory and philosophical theology in the early twentieth century.

MAJOR DUTIES:

1. Develop and pursue project aims through archival and primary research.
2. Prepare material for publication including one peer-reviewed journal article as lead author and one as third author.
3. Promote project findings through conference presentations.
4. Assist with the organization of one academic workshop and with associated outputs.
5. Assist with the organization of one public engagement workshop.
6. Promote project through social media and other popular platforms.
7. Read and report on relevant academic literature.

Planning and Organising:

1. To manage day to day activities in line with the project's aim.
2. To assist in the organization of academic and public events.
3. To prepare and present talks for academic conferences in the field.
4. To identify, collate and analyze relevant primary source materials, published and unpublished.
5. To prepare and submit articles for publication in a timely manner.

Resource Management Responsibilities:

1. To ensure research resources are used efficiently and effectively.

Internal and External Relationships:

1. Liaise regularly with the research team and other colleagues at Queen's University Belfast engaged in cognate research.
2. Cultivate internal networks of research staff interested in the history of science and religion.
3. Participate in and promote external networks with academics engaged in related research.

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:

1. Have or be about to obtain a PhD in Historical Geography, History or cognate discipline relevant to history of science and religion in the modern period. For those who have not yet submitted their thesis for examination official evidence should be provided to indicate that it will be submitted by 30 April 2019.
2. Sufficient breadth and depth of specialist knowledge in the history of science and religion and of methods and techniques to develop project research plan.

3. Strong organisational and time-management skills, particularly with reference to archival research, conference organisation, and public engagement.
4. Excellent command of spoken and written English, effective communication skills.
5. The ability to work effectively as a member of a research team and work independently.

DESIRABLE CRITERIA:

1. High quality research published (or in press) and evidence of other scholarly activity, such as conference presentations and funding applications.
2. Evidence of dissemination activities to non-academic audiences.
3. Expertise on the history of evolutionary theory and philosophical theology.