

## Birmingham Invests in Global Talent

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The University of Birmingham has launched a global search to appoint up to 50 Birmingham Fellows to enhance the University's existing academic strengths and to contribute to a growing culture of collaboration.

The Birmingham Fellowships represent a major investment in early-career researchers of the very highest calibre. The Fellowship scheme will enable these outstanding post-doctoral researchers to establish themselves as rounded academics who will become the next generation of research and academic leaders at Birmingham.

The Fellowships will last for five years and lead to permanent academic posts at the University. Fellows will be mentored by senior members of the academy and provided with a tailored package of financial and development support to become leading independent researchers and PhD supervisors.

As the five-year term progresses, Fellows will be given the opportunity to contribute to undergraduate and postgraduate teaching.

Professor Adam Tickell, the University of Birmingham's Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Research and Knowledge Transfer, said, 'This is a very exciting time for Birmingham. We are delighted to be able to hire such a large cohort of outstanding post-doctoral researchers. This is a prestigious opportunity for early-career scholars from around the world to join a vibrant academic community and to establish their academic careers at Birmingham. Birmingham Fellows will be the most outstanding early-career researchers of this generation, and we fully expect them to become the academic and research leaders of tomorrow.'

The University welcomes and will fast-track applications from candidates with independent fellowships from research councils, the Royal Society and other funding bodies.

### Notes to Editors

1. The new appointments to the scheme will normally be made at Lecturer level (indicative starting salaries of £36,862 to £49,539). In exceptional cases, the appointments may be made at a higher grade.
2. The areas listed below have been identified as priority areas for recruitment, but exceptional candidates in other fields will be considered.

- Socio-Legal Studies and Criminology
- Twentieth-Century Music
- Transnationalism and Superdiversity
- Memory and Exile
- Engineering and Physical Sciences for Biomedicine and Imaging
- Computation, Mathematics and Theory
- High-Energy Physics
- Materials and Manufacturing
- Sustainable Energy
- Cognitive Psychology
- Microbiology
- Molecular Cell Biology
- Environmental Pollution
- Health, Well-Being and Ethics
- Genetics and Personalised Medicine
- Immunology and Inflammation
- Liver and Blood Disease-Related Biology
- Hormones / Metabolism
- Health and Population Sciences
- Conflict and Security
- Household Wealth and Personal Finance
- Global Economy
- Public Services and the Third Sector
- Europe

3. Candidates must demonstrate outstanding academic achievement in their discipline and have a demonstrable account of excellence and an accelerating record of publications in journals and conferences. Candidates must possess a breadth and depth of specialist knowledge in their identified discipline and relevant research methods and be of the calibre to enter 3-4 publications ranked at 3\* (of international quality) or 4\* (world-leading) to the next UK Research Excellence Framework (by the end of 2013).

4. Clinical scientists are eligible and welcome to apply.

5. The call for applications will remain open until the available places have been filled, but the deadline for consideration in the autumn selection round will be 5 September 2011.

**To apply for a Birmingham fellowship - visit the [website](#)**

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