



## **COLLEGE LECTURER IN ANTHROPOLOGY**

### **Further Particulars**

St. John's College invites applications for a 1.0 FTE College Lectureship in Anthropology. The appointment is available for the period 1<sup>st</sup> October 2026 – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2027. This is a temporary, fixed-term position offered for one year.

### **About the College**

Established in 1555 as a constituent college of the University of Oxford, St John's College fosters excellence in education and research. It is one of the largest among Oxford Colleges and nearly every subject studied at the University has its representation. Today, St John's is home to approximately 390 undergraduates, 250 graduate students, 100 fellows and 25 College lecturers. A vibrant international community, it fosters intellectual rigour, creativity, and independence in its students, teachers, and researchers. The College supports a range of research activities including discussions, seminars, workshops, public lectures and visiting scholar schemes, as well as the Research Centre, which particularly emphasizes interdisciplinary approaches. While scholarly publication is naturally at the heart of our research endeavours, the fellowship is also committed to informing policy and public debate, and to teaching that is informed by research findings.

Further information about the College is available at <http://www.sjc.ox.ac.uk>

### **Anthropology at St John's**

Anthropology at St. John's is taught to undergraduates on two degrees: the BA in Archaeology & Anthropology, and the BA in Human Sciences, totalling 5-6 students per year across both degrees. These students make up a vibrant community together with postgraduate students, early career researchers and tutors across the range of subjects that comprise these degrees.

### **About the School of Anthropology & Museum Ethnography (SAME)**

SAME is a leading academic department that provides high-quality teaching and research in anthropology, archaeology, museum ethnography, and human sciences. It supports a diverse international community of undergraduate, postgraduate, and research students and is dedicated to delivering an excellent student experience. The lecturer will become a member of the lively intellectual community of the School, including being part of the early career/fixed

term researcher community.

Further information about the School is available at <https://www.anthro.ox.ac.uk/>

## **Main duties and responsibilities**

The successful candidate will be required:

### **Duties in St John's College:**

- (i) to provide up to an average of 6 hours of tutorial teaching in Anthropology and revision support during each week of Full Term, as directed by the Senior Tutor. This will primarily be for the Honour Moderations (first-year) paper Introduction to Anthropological Theory, as well as the Finals (second- and third-year) papers Social Analysis and Interpretation, and Cultural Representations, Beliefs and Practices. Further tutorial teaching may be agreed with the Tutors for Human Sciences for undergraduates on that degree, not exceeding the 6-hour stint;
- (ii) to contribute to pastoral care and administration for students on the BA in Archaeology and Anthropology, and to contribute to the delivery of the subject and needs of the College as directed by the Senior Tutor and Tutors in Archaeology and Anthropology, and/or take on other College duties as required;
- (iii) to set (and mark) start of term collections (i.e. internal, College exams) as required;
- (iv) to participate in the undergraduate admissions process in College, including interviews;
- (v) to contribute as appropriate to the College's access and outreach initiatives;
- (vi) to conduct scholarship commensurate with their career stage.

### **Duties in the School of Anthropology and Museum Ethnography:**

- (i) to lead a postgraduate seminar accompanying the lecture series on Theories, Approaches and Themes in Social Anthropology taught by Dr. David Pratten;
- (ii) to supervise MSc or MPhil students in Social Anthropology if required, as agreed with the Course Director and Director of Graduate Studies;
- (iii) to contribute to the postgraduate admissions process, postgraduate examining, and administration for the MSc/MPhil in Social Anthropology as required;
- (iv) to contribute one or two lectures to the core lecture series for the degree.

### **Selection criteria**

The appointee will be able to demonstrate:

- (i) an ability to provide a high standard of teaching to very able undergraduate and postgraduate students, particularly in anthropological theory;
- (ii) the ability to undertake pastoral responsibilities for undergraduate students;

- (iii) good communication skills and evidence of the sensitivity required to deal effectively with pastoral duties;
- (iv) willingness to take part in Open Days, schools visits and other access and outreach activities;
- (v) an excellent academic track record in the subject, commensurate with career stage.

### **Remuneration and benefits**

The salary is based on a 1 FTE of point 1 of the University scale, grade 7, currently £39,424 per annum (inclusive of Oxford weighting) and is dependent on experience and qualifications; this figure will be adjusted to the equivalent of university scale point 1, grade 6 for candidates who do not hold a doctorate.

The appointee may have paid by College or reclaim teaching & scholarship expenses of up to £500 per term during the course of their appointment, subject to approval in advance by the Senior Tutor. There is an entertainment allowance, currently £357 per year. The post will carry some SCR dining privileges, subject to availability. A teaching room, which may be shared, may be provided, subject to availability.

There is no entitlement to sabbatical leave.

### **Application procedure**

There is no application form. Candidates should email a covering letter and a curriculum vitae with details of qualifications and experience to [academic.vacancies@sjc.ox.ac.uk](mailto:academic.vacancies@sjc.ox.ac.uk). Applications should be in the form of a single PDF file. Candidates must also provide the names of two academic referees who should be asked to email their references to the same address.

Both applications and references should reach the College no later than 12pm on Friday 26th June 2026. Late applications will not be accepted. It is anticipated that interviews will be held in the week commencing 6 July 2026.

Candidates are encouraged to include a completed equal opportunity monitoring form with their application. Your information will not form part of the selection process and will not be disclosed to the selection panel. Please send this electronically as a separate PDF document to [academic.vacancies@sjc.ox.ac.uk](mailto:academic.vacancies@sjc.ox.ac.uk).

### **Right to work in the UK**

The appointment will be subject to the provision of proof of the right to work in the UK. The role will not meet the requirements to obtain a Skilled Worker visa for new entrants to the UK, however applications are welcome from candidates who don't currently have the right to work in the UK, but who would be eligible to obtain a visa via another route. It might be possible for a Tier 2 or Skilled Worker visa holder to engage in this role as supplementary employment. Please contact the HR team to discuss this possibility before applying.

## **Equal Opportunities**

St John's College is an Equal Opportunities Employer and has a duty to secure freedom of speech within the law for all College members, and the academic freedom of our academic staff. See our Code of Practice on Freedom of Speech for further details. Further information can be obtained on the College website at: <https://www.sjc.ox.ac.uk/discover/about-college/legal/college-policies/>