

## IAS Residential Fellowships

The Institute of Advanced Studies is delighted to announce a major new initiative, the **IAS Residential Fellowship** programme, which will begin from September 2020. The Residential Fellowship programme adds significantly to the current portfolio of opportunities offered by the Institute to bring leading international scholars to the University as IAS Fellows.

**IAS Residential Fellowships** are open to outstanding international researchers from across all disciplines and career stages who wish to pursue a month-long research residency within the scholarly community of Loughborough University and its Institute of Advanced Studies. In addition to established academics, we welcome applications from scholars, artists, writers, public intellectuals and policy-makers outside the academy, whose research profiles resonate with areas of specialism at LU. The University is committed fully to equality, diversity and inclusion in all areas, and the IAS encourages applications from international scholars from any field whose work contributes to our active promotion of interdisciplinary knowledge, intercultural understanding and social responsibility.

**IAS Residential Fellowships** are intended to enhance and extend Loughborough's international research collaborations and networks, encourage innovative interdisciplinary research, and catalyse new and emergent directions for future research projects. To fulfil these ambitions, applicants for the IAS Residential Fellowship programme will be required to nominate EITHER one of our IAS Annual Themes, OR an academic colleague/research group at the University with whom they would like to work during their tenure as a Fellow. To ensure a lasting legacy of international scholarly exchange through our Fellowships, we encourage applicants to our IAS Residential Fellowship programme to incorporate in their proposals, plans for joint publications, joint applications for research funding and/or the development of future collaborative research activities with Loughborough colleagues.

**Timing:** IAS Residential Fellowships are for a period of one month, tenable at any point between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021, as agreed between the IAS and Fellow. During the period of the Fellowship, Fellows are ordinarily expected to be in residence at the IAS on the University's main campus in Loughborough. Where a Fellow's research programme is linked to the work of a colleague or group at Loughborough's London campus, the IAS will facilitate periods of stay at both campuses. Fellowships for longer or shorter periods of residence will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

We regret that the scheme is not open to applicants currently undertaking doctoral research.

## If you are offered an IAS Residential Fellowship:

### *The IAS provides*

- Return travel for the Fellow to Loughborough (we can provide support for visa applications if required, please indicate this on your application form);
- Bespoke IAS accommodation in the heart of Loughborough's Midlands campus (please indicate on your application whether any family members will be travelling with you);
- A fixed stipend of £1000 to offset subsistence, local travel and/or incidental costs during your month-long stay;
- A flexible working base in International House, the home of the IAS, and access to the University Library (NB: we can explore access to more specialist equipment/facilities on a case-by-case basis as required, but cannot guarantee granting every request);
- Collegial support for your research project, including a lively intellectual environment, and the arrangement of formal and informal networking opportunities across the University;
- Provision for research collaborations with LU colleagues, including assistance in organising seminars, roundtables or other events agreed as part of the application.

### *IAS Residential Fellows are expected to*

- Be in residence at LU, participate in IAS activities, and engage with staff and research students to develop ongoing intellectual collaborations and research outcomes;
- Share their research through presentations at the IAS, such as seminars, workshops or public-facing events (NB: All Fellows are expected to deliver at least one work-in-progress seminar, one workshop for doctoral researchers, and attend IAS Friends and Fellows Coffee Mornings, during their tenure);
- Write a short report on activities and achievements against objectives outlined at application stage (within 3 months of the end of the Fellowship);
- Acknowledge IAS support in any publications resulting from their Fellowship;
- Become a member of our Loughborough IAS Alumni community.

**Application Process:** The IAS Residential Fellowship scheme is a competitive process and we expect to award between 6 and 10 Fellowships per academic year. Prospective Fellows must complete the required application form, and submit this, along with a CV (4 pages max) to the IAS Team at [ias@lboro.ac.uk](mailto:ias@lboro.ac.uk) by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2020. Decisions will be made by end June 2020.