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**NOTICES****Calendar**

- 30 June, *Wednesday*. Congregation of the Regent House at 10 a.m. (General Admission). Scarlet day.  
 1 July, *Thursday*. Congregation of the Regent House at 10 a.m. (General Admission). Scarlet day.  
 2 July, *Friday*. Congregation of the Regent House at 10 a.m. (General Admission). Scarlet day.  
 3 July, *Saturday*. Congregation of the Regent House at 10 a.m. (General Admission). Scarlet day.  
 6 July, *Tuesday*. Discussion via Videoconference at 2 p.m. (see below).

Discussions (at 2 p.m.)	Congregations (at 10 a.m.)	
6 July	16 July (Friday)	10 September (Friday)
13 July	17 July (Saturday)	11 September (Saturday)
	23 July (Friday)	17 September, (Friday)
	24 July (Saturday)	18 September (Saturday)
	30 July (Friday)	
	31 July (Saturday)	

**Discussion on Tuesday, 6 July 2021**

The Vice-Chancellor gives notice that an additional Discussion has been added to the schedule of Discussions for 2020–21 to be held via videoconference on Tuesday, 6 July 2021 at 2 p.m. Members of the Regent House, University and College employees, registered students and others qualified under the regulations for Discussions (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 105 as amended by Grace 2 of 28 April 2021) are invited to attend. The following Reports will be discussed:

1. Joint Report of the Council and the General Board, dated 23 June 2021, on the discontinuation of the public display of class-lists and other matters (*Reporter*, 6623, 2020–21, p. 715).
2. Report of the Council, dated 23 June 2021, recommending allocations from the Chest for 2021–22 (*Reporter*, 6623, 2020–21, p. 717).

Those wishing to join the Discussion by videoconference should email [UniversityDraftsman@admin.cam.ac.uk](mailto:UniversityDraftsman@admin.cam.ac.uk) from their University email account, providing their CRSid (if a member of the collegiate University), by 10 a.m. on the date of the Discussion to receive joining instructions. Alternatively, contributors may email remarks to [contact@proctors.cam.ac.uk](mailto:contact@proctors.cam.ac.uk), copying [ReporterEditor@admin.cam.ac.uk](mailto:ReporterEditor@admin.cam.ac.uk), by no later than 10 a.m. on the day of the Discussion, for reading out by the Proctors,<sup>1</sup> or ask someone else who is attending to read the remarks on their behalf.

<sup>1</sup> Any comments sent by email should please begin with the name and title of the contributor as they wish it to be read out and include at the start a note of any College or Departmental affiliations they have.

**Additional ‘Scarlet Days’ in July and September 2021**

The Vice-Chancellor wishes to inform members of the University that on the recommendation of the Senate-House Syndics and in accordance with the relevant regulations, he is designating 16 and 17 July and 10 and 11 September as extra ‘scarlet days’. These are days when Congregations are due to take place in replacement for General Admission to Degrees 2020 (the days of General Admission being ‘scarlet days’, when Doctors wear their festal gowns in public under those regulations and also, with certain exceptions, when the academical dress of other universities may in general be worn). Members of the University are reminded that apart from Honorary Degree Congregations, other Congregations are not currently held on ‘scarlet days’, so Doctors attending should wear their black gowns.

## Report of the General Board, dated 17 May 2021, on the establishment of certain Professorships: Notice in response to Discussion remarks

28 June 2021

The Council has received the remarks on the above Report made at the Discussion on 1 June 2021 (*Reporter*, 2020–21: 6618, p. 662; 6619, p. 669; and 6621, p. 698). It has consulted with the General Board in providing this response.

The Council notes the remarks made by Professor Gelsthorpe and Professor Sir Anthony Bottoms commending the establishment of the proposed Andreas von Hirsch Professorship of Penal Theory and Ethics in perpetuity and the Fund to support it, thanks to the generosity of Emeritus Honorary Professor Andreas von Hirsch. The General Board takes the opportunity to note that the title of the Professorship in Recommendation I of the Report should read the ‘Andreas von Hirsch Professorship of Penal Theory and Ethics’.

The Council also notes the remarks made by Mr Allen and Professor Evans about the proposed MRC Professorship of Statistics for the tenure of Dr Jaki, and by cross-reference, to the establishment of a Professorship of Magnetic Resonance Physics for Dr Graves for the duration of the external funding that was recently approved by Grace 1 of 28 April 2021. The General Board has separately published a Notice setting out its policy on the establishment of personal Professorships (p. 729 below). This response focuses on the other points made in the remarks. It agrees with the underlying sentiment of both speakers that it is sensible to step back and take stock occasionally, to avoid policy drift.

Professor Evans lists a number of changes concerning Professorships that have been documented in the *Reporter* in the last twenty years or so. Notwithstanding those changes, the following criteria have remained constant in determining whether to establish a Professorship in the University:

- (i) there is an academic case for establishing the office;
- (ii) there is sufficient funding to cover the costs of employing the Professor and to provide support for the role in a broader sense;
- (iii) normally that funding must be sufficient to maintain the office to the retiring age; if the proposal is to establish the office for a period less than to the retiring age, there must be good reasons for establishing the office for a shorter period.

Professor Evans suggests that fixed-term funding, where it depends on the willingness of the funder for its extension, provides room for that funder to exercise a potentially unacceptable degree of control. Whilst it is usually desirable to establish an office until the retiring age, there are circumstances in which it is appropriate not to do so. Those circumstances include co-terminous appointments to which Professor Evans refers, where the individual will continue to be employed as a Professor until the retiring age unless, for example, that individual ceases to hold a specified other role. They also include cases where external funders offer such funding in good faith to support new areas of research activity, often ones in which they are working in collaboration with the University, such as these two recent examples. The General Board is careful only to put forward proposals where the advantages conferred by accepting funding for a period less than to the retiring age make a fixed-term role worthwhile for both the appointee and the University.

The Council is submitting a Grace for the approval of the recommendations of this Report (Grace 1, p. 731).

### VACANCIES, APPOINTMENTS, ETC.

#### Electors to the Dolby Professorship of Theoretical and Experimental Physics

The Council has appointed members of the *ad hoc* Board of Electors to the Dolby Professorship of Theoretical and Experimental Physics as follows:

Professor David Cardwell, *F*, in the Chair, as the Vice-Chancellor’s deputy

(a) *on the nomination of the Council*

Professor Charles Marcus, *University of Copenhagen*

Professor Andrew Millis, *Columbia University, USA*

(b) *on the nomination of the General Board*

Professor Claudia Felser, *Max Planck Institute for Chemical Physics of Solids*

Professor Valerie Gibson, *T*

Professor Caroline Ross, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA*

(c) *on the nomination of the Faculty Board of Physics and Chemistry*

Professor Michael Andrew Parker, *PET*

Professor Nigel Peake, *EM*

Professor Charles Smith, *CL*

## Vacancies in the University

A full list of current vacancies can be found at <https://www.jobs.cam.ac.uk>

**University Lectureship in Propulsion and Power in the Department of Engineering;** salary: £41,526–£52,559; closing date: 1 August 2021; further details: <https://www.jobs.cam.ac.uk/job/30012/>; quote reference: NM26872

*The University values diversity and is committed to equality of opportunity.*

*The University has a responsibility to ensure that all employees are eligible to live and work in the UK.*

## NOTICES BY THE GENERAL BOARD

### Personal Professorships

28 June 2021

In recent Discussions, there have been remarks on two Reports that include recommendations for the establishment of Professorships for named individuals (*Reporter*, 2020–21; 6614, p. 534; 6621, p. 698). The Board has agreed to provide a policy statement setting out the circumstances in which it will consider a proposal for the establishment of a personal Professorship, for submission to the Regent House, outside the senior academic promotions exercise (and its appeal procedure), whether under the research and teaching, or the teaching and scholarship, pathway. It has taken the opportunity to review its policy and its related procedure to ensure all proposals receive careful and consistent consideration. A response to the other points made is published separately (p. 728 above).

When deciding whether to put forward a Report proposing a Professorship for a named individual, the Board needs to be satisfied that the individual is demonstrably of the calibre expected of a holder of the office of Professor at the University, in addition to the proposal otherwise meeting the general criteria for establishing a Professorship. That calibre can be demonstrated in a number of different ways; for example, the person for whom the Professorship is to be established:

- (a) has been successful in a prestigious and external competition, for example, the Leverhulme Research Professorships, MRC Research Professorships, Royal Society Professorships, which require the University to establish a Professorship for the individual concerned;
- (b) has been successful in a prestigious and external competition, for example, the Wellcome Trust Principal Research Fellowships, which the Board has agreed should be treated in the same way as those under category (a);
- (c) is the head of an institution which is transferring into the University and the offer of a Professorship is part of the proposed transfer arrangements;
- (d) is a leading researcher in an area of research activity on which the University is working in collaboration with external partners;
- (e) already holds an external position that is commensurate with a Professorship at the University;
- (f) already holds another Professorship in the University of Cambridge (for example, in the scenario where a donor has agreed to endow a Professorship provided that the first incumbent is the individual concerned).

With the exception of those cases falling within the last category listed above, an advisory committee is specially constituted to make a recommendation to the Board on whether to support the establishment of a personal Professorship for the individual concerned. The membership and operation of that advisory committee follows the template set out for Boards of Electors in Part B of Special Ordinance C (vii) (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 78), as adjusted by the Board where appropriate when approving the advisory committee's membership.

The Board included a statement of policy on this and other matters in its Report of 23 May 2001 (*Reporter*, 5850, 2000–01, p. 814). The only material changes to the Board's policy since then are to recognise a broader range of circumstances in which a personal Professorship will be considered, and to set up an *ad hoc* advisory committee in each case when such an appointment is contemplated. The Board is content that this policy and the procedure underpinning it provide appropriate scrutiny of the proposals concerned.

## REGULATIONS FOR EXAMINATIONS

**Theology, Religion and Philosophy of Religion Tripos***(Statutes and Ordinances, p. 427)***With effect from 1 October 2022**

The Faculty Board of Divinity gives notice of the following amendments to the supplementary regulations for the Theology, Religion, and Philosophy of Religion Tripos, to replace Paper D1(b), currently titled ‘New Testament special subject’, with a new paper, ‘Christianity, Hellenism and empire’.

## SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

## PART IIB

By replacing the current description of Paper D1(b) with the following:

*(b) Christianity, Hellenism and empire*

This paper focuses on the ‘manifestation’ of early Christianity in the Roman empire. The earliest Christian texts, the so-called ‘New Testament’ writings, are entirely written in Greek. Indeed, the body of Christian literature surviving from the Roman empire vastly surpasses the size of the classical canon. Yet somehow this body of texts and the culture that generated them are perceived as if they belonged to a different world to the one inhabited by non-Christian contemporaries. This paper examines the place of Christianity in the Graeco-Roman world in all its historical, religious, and philosophical complexities.

## NOTICES BY FACULTY BOARDS, ETC.

**Computational Biology for the M.Phil. Degree, 2021–22**

The Degree Committee for the Faculty of Mathematics gives notice that the modules to be offered in 2021–22 and their methods of assessment for the examination in Computational Biology for the degree of Master of Philosophy (*Statutes and Ordinances, p. 522*) will be as set out below. Candidates for the degree must offer all modules for examination unless otherwise stated.

<b>Term offered</b>	<b>Module</b>	<b>Abbreviation</b>
<i>Michaelmas Term</i>	Genomics I	G1
	Deep learning	DL
	Scientific programming	SP
	Genome sequence analysis (half module)	GSA
<i>Lent Term</i>	Genomics II	G2
	Cancer evolution	CE
	Population genetics	PG
	Biological image analysis (half module)	BI
	BioDesign (half module)	BD
<i>Easter Term</i>	Systems biology	SB

Each module is assessed by no more than two or three coursework assignments, each involving an element of computational or theoretical work. The expected maximum submission length for each piece of work is twenty pages, excluding any appendices.

In addition to the offered modules, candidates will sit a two-hour general examination in the Easter Term on the material taught within the modules.

Candidates are also required to complete an internship project which is assessed by a report of no more than 15,000 words and a presentation.

The weighting for the examination in Computational biology is out of 12, divided as follows: each module is weighted at 1, and half modules at 0.5, meaning a total weighting of 8 for the modules. The general examination is weighted at 1. The internship project is weighted at a total of 3, with 2.5 for the report and 0.5 for the presentation.

**GRACES****Graces submitted to the Regent House on 30 June 2021**

The Council submits the following Graces to the Regent House. These Graces, unless they are withdrawn or a ballot is requested in accordance with the regulations for Graces of the Regent House (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 105) will be deemed to have been approved at **4 p.m. on Friday, 9 July 2021**. Further information on requests for a ballot or the amendment of Graces is available to members of the Regent House on the Regent House Petitions site.<sup>§</sup>

1. That the recommendations in paragraph 4 of the Report of the General Board, dated 17 May 2021, on the establishment of certain Professorships (*Reporter*, 2020–21: 6618, p. 662; 6619, p. 669) be approved.<sup>1</sup>

2. That Regulation 1(c)(ii) in the Ordinance for University Composition Fees (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 149) be amended to read as follows:<sup>2</sup>

(ii) for each term in which the student has been in residence, or has been engaged in a course of study in the University, for twenty-one days or more of Full Term;

3. That notwithstanding the Fitness to Practise Procedure (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 225):<sup>3</sup>

(a) in a case where fitness to practise concerns are raised about a student's actions prior to 1 September 2020, the student will be given the choice of following that current procedure or the procedure in force at the time of those actions; and

(b) the following be appointed to serve as members of the Veterinary Fitness to Practise Appeal Panel to hear appeals under the Procedures to Determine Fitness to Practise of Preclinical and Clinical Veterinary Students (*Statutes and Ordinances*, 2019, p. 233) in such transitional cases:

Ms LOUISE ANN MERRETT, *T*, Faculty of Law, in class (a) (persons who are legally qualified or who have had experience of acting in a judicial capacity, not being members of the Council);

Dr MATTHEW RUSSELL JONES, *DAR*, Cambridge Judge Business School, in class (b) (members of the Regent House not being members of the VFTP Committee, VFTP Support Panel, or VFTP Adjudication Panel, or of the Faculties of Biology or Veterinary Medicine);

Professor ADRIAN BOSWOOD, Professor of Veterinary Cardiology, Royal Veterinary College, University of London, in class (c) (members of the academic staff of a UK Veterinary School, being practising RCVS-registered veterinary practitioners, who are not members of the Regent House).

4. That the first sentence of Regulation 3 in the regulations for the Smith-Knight Prizes and Rayleigh-Knight Prizes (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 985) be amended to read as follows:<sup>4</sup>

The Adjudicators of the Prizes shall be a panel of at least eight Professors appointed by the Faculty Board of Mathematics from among those assigned to the Faculty of Mathematics or to a Department within the Faculty.

<sup>1</sup> See the Council's Notice, p. 728.

<sup>2</sup> The Council, on the recommendation of the General Board, is proposing a change to confirm that, for the purpose of assessing liability for a fee, the twenty-one days that a student has been in residence will be during Full Term.

<sup>3</sup> By Grace 7 of 29 July 2020, a new Fitness to Practise Procedure was approved, to take effect from 1 September 2020. The above Grace proposes transitional arrangements to hear an appeal that has since been received in relation to a case, initiated in March 2020, and to cover other such cases. The Council, on the recommendation of the Office of Student Conduct, Complaints and Appeals, is also proposing the appointment of the above three members to hear that appeal and any further appeals under the procedures previously in force.

<sup>4</sup> The Council, on the recommendation of the General Board and the Faculty Board of Mathematics, is proposing that the Adjudicators of the Prizes be a subset, rather than all, of the Professors in the Faculty.

§ See <https://www.governance.cam.ac.uk/governance/key-bodies/RH-Senate/Pages/RH-Petitions.aspx> for details.

E. M. C. RAMPTON, *Registrar*

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**COLLEGE NOTICES****Elections***Darwin College*

Elected into the Munby Visiting Fellowship in Bibliography, under Title E, for one year from 1 October 2021:

Dr Heather Wolfe, M.Phil., Ph.D., *N*

Elected into a Research Fellowship, under Title D, for three years from 1 October 2021:

Mr Arthur Harris, *R*, M.Phil., *CAI*

*Fitzwilliam College*

Elected to a Fellowship in Class C with effect from 1 October 2021:

Emily Lees, M.B.Ch.B., *Sheffield*, Ph.D., *F*, MRCPC

**Vacancies**

*Girton College*: College Lectureship and Fellowship in Medicine; tenure: permanent, part-time (four to six hours teaching per week); stipend: £4,126 (four hours) or £6,188 (six hours) plus additional stipend for Director of Studies; closing date: 19 August 2021 at 12 noon; further details: <https://www.girton.cam.ac.uk/work-at-girton>

*Peterhouse*: Outreach Manager and Schools Liaison Officer; part-time or full-time (from 25 to 36.25 hours per week); salary: £25,434–£28,081 pro-rata; closing date: 1 August 2021; further details: <https://www.pet.cam.ac.uk/news/outreach-manager-schools-liaison-officer>

*Trinity College*: Junior Research Fellowships; stipend: up to £30,000 plus collegiate benefits; tenure: up to four years; closing date: 26 August 2021; further details: <https://www.trin.cam.ac.uk/jrf>

**EXTERNAL NOTICES****Oxford Notices**

*St Catherine's College*: Stipendiary Lectureship in Engineering (three-hour); tenure: three years from 1 October 2021; stipend: £6,878 plus collegiate benefits; closing date: 19 July 2021 at 12 noon; further details: <https://www.stcatz.ox.ac.uk/stipendiary-lectureship-in-engineering-closing-date-19-july/>

*Merton College*: Schools Liaison and Access Officer; tenure: permanent, full-time; salary: £25,000–£30,000; closing date: 21 July 2021 at 12 noon; further details: <https://www.merton.ox.ac.uk/vacancies>

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