



## CALL FOR JOINT VISITING FELLOWSHIP APPLICATIONS OCTOBER 2015

### John Rylands Research Institute/Manchester Wesley Research Centre Joint Visiting Fellowship Application

**Deadline Monday 16 January 2017**

**Applications should be e-mailed to [jrri@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:jrri@manchester.ac.uk)**

#### Overview

The [Manchester Wesley Research Centre](#) (MWRC) promotes and supports research on the life and work of John and Charles Wesley, their contemporaries in the 18th century Evangelical Revival, their historical and theological antecedents, their successors in the Wesleyan tradition, and contemporary scholarship in the Wesleyan and Evangelical tradition. The MWRC is located on the campus of Nazarene Theological College in the Manchester suburb of Didsbury and is affiliated with the Methodist Archives and Research Centre at The John Rylands Library, part of the University of Manchester Library.

The John Rylands Research Institute (the Institute) is a unique partnership led by the University of Manchester Faculty of Humanities and the University of Manchester Library in which humanities scholars, scientists, curators, conservators and digital imaging specialists are brought together to uncover, explore, unravel and reveal hidden ideas and knowledge contained within the Library's world-leading Special Collections.

#### What is a Joint Visiting Research Fellowship?

The aim of this Joint Visiting Fellowship programme is to promote research in the Methodist and Wesleyan traditions by facilitating scholarly access to the internationally renowned Methodist Archives held at the John Rylands Library in Manchester and the MWRC and Nazarene Theological College (NTC) library. One Visiting Fellowship will be awarded per annum.

#### Assessment of applications

All applications are assessed by representatives of the Institute and the MWRC in consultation with expert curators and academics.

#### Essential Criteria

- Applicants, whether in established academic posts or not, should at least hold a doctorate at the time of application
- All activity must be based strongly on the Special Collections of the University of Manchester Library and must relate to Methodist/Wesleyan studies
- All activity must have clear outputs and be deliverable within the proposed timescale
- **Priority will be given to projects which lead to collaborative grant capture with the Institute**

#### Joint Fellowship Application Process

Applicants are required to complete and submit the Joint Fellowship application form available on the Institute website at: <http://www.jrri.manchester.ac.uk/opportunities/> the completed application form should include:

- Personal details
- Details of the intended project to include: title of project, proposed start and end date, vision, methodology and intended outputs
- An outline of the sources to be consulted in line with essential criteria above
- A summary on the sustainability of your project
- An up to date curriculum vitae
- An up to date list of relevant publications
- Details, including e-mail address, of two referees who can be contacted should the application be shortlisted



**What will the successful applicant receive?**

- Access to the collections of the Methodist Archives and Research Centre, the libraries of UML, MWRC and NTC, including access to UML electronic resources during the term of the Fellowship
- Reimbursement of expenses up to £150 per week to cover travel and living expenses during the Fellowship
- Accommodation on the campus of Nazarene Theological College in Didsbury
- Workspace and reading room provision at the Institute
- Administrative support
- Support from expert curators, conservators and imaging specialists
- Support from the Institute grant writer

**What will the Institute expect from the applicant?**

- The Visiting Fellow is encouraged to take up residency in July and August 2016. Consideration will be given to candidates undertaking the fellowship at another time
- To adhere to the agreed start date
- To produce a précis of the research undertaken during their Fellowship
- To collaborate with academics internal and external to the University to create partnerships and potential grant capture
- To present a paper to the MWRC/NTC Research Seminar, and/or regular JRRi seminars
- To contribute an article, where appropriate, on their research to *Wesley Methodist Studies* <http://www.mwrc.ac.uk/wesley-and-methodist-studies/> or *Bulletin of the John Rylands Library* <http://www.manchesteruniversitypress.co.uk/cgi-bin/scribe?showinfo=ip035>
- Expenses will be processed in arrears (on production of receipts and completed claim form) through the Institute Office
- All international expenditure, before being presented to the Institute office, must be converted to GB pounds sterling and include evidence of exchange rate on the day of transaction