

CHURCHILL FELLOWSHIP INTERVIEW WEBINAR

Abigail Campbell, Programmes Manager:

Welcome

Sian Herschel, Co-director of Programmes:

How to get here and What to expect

Liam McAleese and Laurelle Brown, Fellows and interview panellists:

How to prepare and Top Tips

Q&A

Please use the Q&A function to ask questions. If you have a query after the event please email applications@churchillfellowship.org

We will be recording this webinar and afterwards the recording will be available in the 'How to Apply' section of our website.

Purpose of the interview

- To give Fellowship candidates an opportunity to talk through your project
- To give our panellists an opportunity to understand how you propose to carry out your projects
- To give our panellists an opportunity to meet the individuals behind the projects



“The process of application for the Churchill Fellowship was extremely helpful and challenging for me and made me focus on how to implement the project, still in very formative stages, and where to start my research.... It was lovely to meet you and such an excellent panel.”
2023 applicant

Location of the interview: in person



Arriving at the interview

- Nearest stations: St James / Westminster
- South Door of Church House
- Reception area on first arrival
- Waiting room and quiet space prior to interview

Location of the interview: Zoom



- Ensure that you are using your full name (first and surname) when you log into Zoom
- Join the waiting room
- If the panel are running late you will receive a message in the chat from one of our team
- You'll be let directly into the interview room itself when the panel are ready
- If you are having technical problems call us on 020-7799-1660

Structure of interview

- Interviews last **20 minutes**
- You are not allowed to bring or show slides, demonstration objects or handouts for panellists unless agreed as a reasonable adjustment
- You **are** allowed to bring your own notes
- Each interview starts with the panel asking you to talk through your project for approximately 3 minutes
- Panellists will then ask questions about you and your project
- One of our team will ask questions about e.g. budget, travel plans, reasonable adjustments and safeguarding
- You will be given an opportunity to ask questions at the end of the interview.





Examples of panel questions

- What do you hope to achieve in the UK?
- How will you use the Fellowship to bring wider benefits to the community and the UK?
- How will you share your findings to benefit others?
- What difference will your project/report make to your community and to the UK?
- How will this help your personal development?
- Why do you need to research overseas to do this?
- What additional benefits or experience will this give you that you could not gain in the UK?
- Why have you chosen these countries and continents?
- Where do you want to be in 5 years' time and how will this help you?

Our Guiding Principles for selecting Fellows

- **Passion** for your subject;
- **Drive** to carry out your Fellowship;
- **Intention** to create benefit for others within your community – of interest, geography, profession, or sector;
- **Clarity** on what success looks like in delivering your project;
- **A well thought-through and realistic delivery plan** for overseas learning and commitment to dissemination;
- **Potential** to be a good ambassador for the Fellowship and the UK.

