**CDAS Visiting Fellows and Professors**

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**What are the benefits of being a CDAS Visiting Fellow or Professor?**

We welcome applications to become a CDAS Visiting Fellow or Professor. These visiting posts are unpaid. As part of this three-year visiting position (renewable) we can offer:

* Opportunities to become part of the CDAS inner workings, including research and events
* A University of Bath email address
* Access to the University of Bath library resources
* Access to CDAS resources, including funding opportunities
* A mentor within CDAS

**Who can be a CDAS Visiting Fellow or Professor?**

CDAS visiting fellows commonly include people who:

* Work in academia and research, and want to build a strong relationship with the death studies field
* Work outside academia and want to retain an academic identity and community
* Work in a death-related sector and want to build relationships with academics

Nb. You do not need to hold a PhD to become a fellow.

A visiting professor is usually someone who:

* Works in academia as a professor already in a related field
* Is an international leader in their area

**What are the criteria for becoming a CDAS Visiting Fellow or Professor?**

1. **The applicant has fostered a connection to CDAS.**

For example, this could include attendance at public seminars, conference presenter, worked with a member, recently completed their PhD as a member of CDAS. You will be expected to indicate this in your application to the centre.

1. **The applicant is willing to contribute to CDAS over a three-year period.**

The applicant must outline a clear scheme of work for three years that benefits both the scholar and CDAS. It could be work you are already engaged in, but it needs to be clear how you will link this work to CDAS for its benefit. Benefit could include but is not limited to: research outputs, public engagement activities, income, knowledge exchange with non-academic partners, relationship and networking building, regularly contributing to core CDAS activities (seminars, conference, publications), and potential guest lectures in our UG and PGT teaching.

1. **Nominate a sponsor who must be an existing member of CDAS (not another visiting fellow).** The sponsor needs to write a 150-word statement supporting the application outlining the benefits for CDAS.

The sponsor is expected to act as the main contact point for the visiting fellow/professor and will represent their progress to the CDAS team via CDAS business meetings as and when appropriate. They are **not** a mentor or supervisor to the Visiting Fellow/Professor.

**As a Visiting Scholar you will be expected to:**

* Make all reasonable efforts to complete the scheme of work outlined in your application over the three-year period.
* Attend at least one CDAS business meeting per year (we hold three, all are hybrid, dates and times planned at the beginning of each academic year)
* Attend at least one CDAS public event per year
* Present your work via CDAS during your fellowship
* Write a final report up to 500 word (one side of A4) outlining work completed and the benefits realised for both the scholar and CDAS.

**To become a CDAS Visiting Fellow or Visiting Professor we require:**

1. An up-to-date CV
2. A completed application form. Please email [cdas@bath.ac.uk](mailto:cdas@bath.ac.uk) for a copy of this.

The application form needs to:

* 1. Include a paragraph long statement (approx. 250 words) on the project you want to work on during your time as a Visiting Fellow/Professor.
  2. Find a sponsor and discuss the application with them. They will also need to contribute to the application.

1. A sentence in an e-mail outlining your connection-to-date with CDAS.

Please submit these three items to [cdas@bath.ac.uk](mailto:cdas@bath.ac.uk) and we will endeavour to get back to you as soon as we can.

The application will be reviewed by two CDAS members (one director and one other member, whether an existing visiting fellow or a core member, but not the academic sponsor).

If these reviewers agree, the application will be forwarded to the Head of Department for Social and Policy Sciences and then to the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences Board of Studies. These bodies make the final decision about fellowship appointments.