The applications form
APPLICATION FORM
Call for Bodleian Visiting Fellowships 2026-27

Please complete **every** section and provide **all** the requested information **in full**.

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PERSONAL DETAILS			
Title (e.g. Dr, Ms, Mr)		Forename(s)	
		Surname	
Home address			
Email address			
Telephone (or mobile)			
Institution of employment (include full address)		Job title	

DETAILS OF PROPOSED RESEARCH	
Name of Fellowship (please indicate which you are applying for)	☐ Gale Scholar Digital Humanities Oxford Fellowship
Project title	
Proposed start date* (*Monday-Friday only*)	Proposed end date* (*Monday-Friday only*)
Bodleian Special Collections to be consulted during the Fellowship	*Please be as specific as possible*

***NOTE**: Fellowship visits should last for 3 months. Non-EEA applicants not in full employment with an academic institution during the proposed visit period may require a sponsored UK visa, and must therefore apply for a visit of **a minimum of 3 months.**

Visits should take place during the 2026-27 academic year, between 1 August 2026 and 31 July 2027.

REFEREE DETAILS (including email addresses)

Referee #1	
Referee #2	

HOW DID YOU LEARN OF THE BODLEIAN VISITING FELLOWSHIPS?	
Please √ as appropriate	Times Literary Supplement print Times Literature Supplement online Online Search From a former Bodleian Visiting Fellow From an academic mailing list Other (please specify): _____

Please return this **completed form** to cds@bodleian.ox.ac.uk along with:

Your up-to-date **curriculum vitae**;
Two letters of recommendation: Your referees may email us directly;
A **statement of the proposed research** (1,200 words maximum):
This should directly address the selection criteria as specified in the particulars:
• The demonstrated need of the applicant to consult specific items or collections within the Bodleian Libraries' Special Collections or working in the Centre for Digital Scholarship.
• The potential of the applicant to contribute to the research culture of the Libraries and the University.
• Evidence that the project will increase scholarly or public understanding of the materials consulted, through publication or public dissemination, or by developing innovative research methods.
• the benefits of the award within the invited Fellow's research career.

STATEMENT OF PROPOSED RESEARCH
Criterion • Describe your research project Think about • Context of your research – what has been done before and how does your research add to this? • Questions – what are your research questions? • Methodology – how will you use sources or data to answer your questions? Which sources or data will you use? Which digital humanities methods might you apply or learn about? Your answer (c.300 words):
Criterion • The demonstrated need of the applicant to consult specific items or collections within the Bodleian Libraries' Special Collections or working in the Centre for Digital Scholarship. Think about • Why would you benefit from being in the Bodleian Libraries in Oxford?

- What collection/s might you consult in the Bodleian Libraries? And/or
- How would you benefit from working in and with the Centre for Digital Scholarship?

Your answer (c.250 words):

Criterion
- The potential of the applicant to contribute to the research culture of the Libraries and the University.

Think about
- What knowledge and skills do you have that you could share with digital humanists in Oxford?
- How would you engage with the digital humanities community in Oxford?
- Does your research contribute to any existing research networks or centres within the University? (look at Humanities Faculty websites, the TORCH website, and the Bodleian research pages for further information)

Your answer (c.250 words):

Criterion
- Evidence that the project will increase scholarly or public understanding of the materials consulted, through publication or public dissemination, or by developing innovative research methods.

Think about
- What will be the outputs of your research? eg journal articles, book chapters, conference papers or contributions to your teaching curriculum?
- How will people find out about your research? eg publications, conferences (name any you are thinking about), holding workshops or events at your home institution

Your answer (c.200 words):

Criterion
- the benefits of the award within the invited Fellow's research career.

Think about
- What would your fellowship help you deliver in terms of research outputs? And how would these help you progress?
- Are there any people or networks in Oxford that you would benefit from gaging with? What would you learn from them?

Your answer (c.200 words):

This document should be emailed to cds@bodleian.ox.ac.uk You should also send a curriculum vitae (CV) and, if you choose not to complete the research proposal section of this form, a proposal for the fellowship period, including an outline of the research to be carried out in the special collections of the Bodleian Libraries during the term of the fellowship (1,200 words maximum). This statement must directly address the selection criteria as listed under 'Terms & Eligibility'.

Applicants will also need two letters of recommendation from the referees named in this form. Applicants should ask the referees to comment on their professional knowledge of the applicant and the contribution the proposed research would make to scholarship. The referees should be asked to send their letters by email directly to the support officer for Digital Scholarship at Oxford (cds@bodleian.ox.ac.uk), to arrive by the application deadline.

Note: Each document must be sent as an **individual** pdf or Word file. Please do **not** combine all the documents into one pdf or Word file.

Please consult https://www.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/csb/fellowships/galefellowship for the dates of the Visiting Fellowship **deadlines**