

CaribOx FAQs

Applicants to the CaribOx schemes must be enrolled at, or employed by, an academic institution located in one of the eligible Caribbean countries listed below:

Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Aruba, the Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Monserrat, Netherlands Antilles, Puerto Rico, St. Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Turks and Caicos

What does the Visiting Fellowship include?

- Ten months of virtual engagement with the nominated Oxford collaborator and the CaribOx Project Officer.
- A two month in-person visit to Oxford between Sunday 26 April to Saturday 20 June 2026.
- A University Card for access to online resources available through the University of Oxford, valid for 1 calendar year.
- A per-diem towards the cost of subsistence while in Oxford.
- The full cost of return economy-class flights to/from the UK.
- Association and accommodation through All Souls College during residency in Oxford. This will include membership of the Common Room (which gives access to a common space reserved for the use of academics and members of the teaching staff, as well as the right to eat lunch and dinner without charge).
- Visa application and logistical support for travel to/from Oxford.
- Visa costs
- Support and facilitation for virtual events and activities through TORCH.
- Please note that the Fellowship does not cover health insurance.

When does the Visiting Fellowship start and end?

The elected fellows will be affiliated with the University of Oxford for twelve months starting from January 2026. This will include a ten month-long virtual engagement, and a two month in-person visit to Oxford, which will take place between Sunday 26 April to Saturday 20 June 2026 (Trinity Term).

Will the fellowship cover the costs of bringing my family to Oxford during the in-person part of the fellowship?

No. The fellowship only covers the elected fellow.

Do I have to work in the humanities to apply for the Travel Grant and Visiting Fellowship?

No. We welcome applicants from all disciplines.

Do I need to be working on Caribbean-focused research?

No. We welcome all areas of research.

Am I eligible to apply if I am from the Caribbean but based at a UK institution?

No. The Visiting Fellowship is for researchers who are legal residents of a Caribbean country (including the Windward and Leeward Islands) *and* fully employed by an academic/research

institution based in the Caribbean (including the Windward and Leeward Islands). The applicant's contract of employment should cover the length of the Fellowship.

Do I need an Oxford collaborator?

Yes, for the Visiting Fellowship Scheme. It is necessary for the applicant to have established contact with a researcher, affiliated with the University of Oxford, before applying. The applicant and Oxford Collaborator do not need to have worked together before the start of the fellowship but have the potential to do so during the fellowship.

Do I need to be in the same discipline as the Oxford collaborator?

No, but the applicant and Oxford Collaborator need to have research crossovers that they can build upon during the fellowship.

How do I get an Oxford collaborator?

If you do not already have an Oxford collaborator in mind, please consult the Oxford website to find a potential collaborator and contact them before submitting your application:

<https://www.ox.ac.uk/about/divisions-and-departments>.

When you have identified a potential collaborator, we encourage you to send an email:

- Introducing yourself and your project
- Outlining your proposed project in one paragraph
- Explaining how you share similar research interests

If your potential Oxford Collaborator agrees to support your application, please ask them to complete the statement of support form, and submit it via email to: caribox@torch.ox.ac.uk before the deadline, **Friday 19 September 2025, 17.00** UK time.

My potential Oxford Collaborator is not responding to my emails. What do I do?

Please email caribox@torch.ox.ac.uk and we will do the best we can to help you.

What do I need to include in the project proposal?

In this section of the application form, please introduce the research you wish to undertake while in Oxford, and any potential outcomes of your project, including longer-term opportunities for collaboration outcomes of working with your Oxford Collaborator. Please include a proposed timeline of activities, and any specific resources at the university you intend to make use of during your Fellowship. The proposal should not be more than 1000 words.

When will the outcome of the fellowship be announced?

We aim to announce the outcome at the beginning of November.

How do I submit my application for the Travel Grant and Visiting Fellowship?

Please send your application to caribox@torch.ox.ac.uk. Include your name and 'CaribOx Visiting Fellowship' or 'CaribOx Travel Grant' in the subject title.

Is it one fellowship and travel grant being offered per disciplinary area?

No. A total of two Visiting Fellowships are offered per year, regardless of disciplinary area. There are two Travel Grants available for 2026 research visits.

Can I apply for both the Travel Grant and the Visiting Fellowship?

Yes, you can apply for and be considered for both.

Will the Travel Grant and Visiting Fellowship also be available next year?

Yes. Closing deadlines for applications have not been confirmed yet, but both Travel Grants and Visiting Fellowships will be offered for Trinity Term (April-June) 2027 and subsequent years.

Will recipients of the Travel Grant be housed at All Souls College, like the Visiting Fellow?

No. The awardees will not be housed at All Souls College but the stipend will cover accommodation elsewhere.

Can the research conducted as part of the Travel Grant be for a PhD project?

Yes. The Travel Grant supports already-existing research projects, which will benefit from the resources available at the University of Oxford.

Who do I contact if I have a question that is not answered in the FAQs?

Please email caribox@torch.ox.ac.uk