

## BRANDON RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP 2024-2025

### Guidance Notes for Applicants

The Lauterpacht Centre for International Law is pleased to invite applications for the 2024-2025 Brandon Research Fellowship, funded by generous gifts by Mr Michael Brandon MA, LLB, LL.M (Cantab), MA (Yale) (1923–2012) and by Mr Christopher Brandon.

The Lauterpacht Centre provides a base for research in Cambridge for legal practitioners and academics from around the world. The Brandon Fellow will be welcomed as part of the community of visiting scholars at the Centre. Whilst in Cambridge, visiting scholars will have the opportunity to meet with other researchers in their field and are encouraged to participate fully in the activities of the Centre, including the Friday lectures and the work-in-progress seminars of the visiting fellows/scholars. Visiting scholars have access to the Centre's library, the University Library (on application) and the Faculty of Law's Squire Law Library.

Candidates working in areas connected to LCIL fellows' projects and activities are given particular consideration.

Fellows must produce a report of their work in English at the end of their Fellowship and deposit with the Lauterpacht Centre any publication resulting from the work undertaken during the Fellowship. The support received from the Brandon Research Fellowship at LCIL should be acknowledged in the publication.

Preference will be given to candidates who are nationals of members of the European Union; members of the Commonwealth; Argentina; Brazil; Chile; China; Japan; Panama; Serbia; Switzerland; and the United States of America.

Preference will be given to candidates who do not have the means to come to the Centre, and who have not yet been to the Centre. Applications from regions or countries underrepresented among former LCIL visiting fellows are particularly welcome.

Deadline for Applications: **Friday 5 April 2024**

## 1. Eligibility

- (a) Candidates for the Brandon Fellowship must be fluent in English and at least one of French, German or Spanish.
- (b) Candidates must specify a project on some aspect of public or private international law or international arbitration on which they will work while resident at the Lauterpacht Centre.
- (c) The Fellowship is intended to cover a stay of at least once acceptance period of 11–13 weeks (term) at the Lauterpacht Centre between October 2024 and September 2025
- (d) This is a post-graduate research fellowship. Persons currently enrolled in PhD programs (in the UK or elsewhere) are not eligible to apply unless their final thesis has been submitted prior to the closing date for applications.

## 2. Preference

Preference will be given to candidates who are nationals of any of the following:

- Members of the European Union;
- Members of the Commonwealth;
- Argentina, Brazil, Chile, China, Japan, Panama, Serbia, Switzerland and the United States of America.

## 3. Research Project

The Brandon Fellow must undertake a project on some aspect of public or private international law or international arbitration while resident at the Lauterpacht Centre. Candidates must specify a project in their application.

Fellows must produce a report of their work in English at the end of their Fellowship and deposit with the Lauterpacht Centre any publication resulting from the work undertaken during the Fellowship.

## 4. Award

The Fellowship will be to a maximum value of £5,200 (GBP).

Payment of the award will be made after arrival in Cambridge via bank transfer unless a UK bank account is held. Please see the schedule of fees below. Any additional travel or other expenses incurred in excess of the Fellowship amount will be the responsibility of the Fellow. Awards will be made pro rata if a visit of less than 11 weeks is agreed to.

## 5. Applications

Applications for the Brandon Fellowship should consist of:

- (a) A completed application form including outline of proposed research (available on the Lauterpacht Centre website: <https://www.lcil.cam.ac.uk/research/research-expertise-lcil>);
- (b) Curriculum vitae (maximum four pages);
- (c) Two letters of reference sent directly by the referee.

All documents should be prepared in English.

Applicants must ensure that their application and reference letters are sent by email to [communications@lcil.cam.ac.uk](mailto:communications@lcil.cam.ac.uk) by the deadline, **Friday 5 April 2024**

## 6. Facilities

The Lauterpacht Centre provides visiting scholars with IT facilities (laptop docking station and monitor, desktop on request), office space, access to the Centre's library and an introduction to the University Library and Squire Law Library. The costs of provision of these facilities are covered by the Centre fee. If additional (i.e. computer) support is required, this may be subject to an additional charge.

## 7. Involvement in the Centre's activities

It is expected that the successful candidate will pursue their own research projects whilst in Cambridge. However, should the successful applicant's research project be within an area connected to LCIL fellows' projects and research activities, candidates may be invited to contribute to or collaborate in those projects.

Visitors to the Centre are encouraged to attend Friday lunchtime lectures in term, as well as any of the Centre's open seminars that may be of interest. By arrangement, they may also attend lectures and talks on international law and related subjects elsewhere in the University. However, the Faculty of Law does reserve the right to levy charges for attendance at courses run by the Faculty.

The Centre is not a teaching institution and does not award diplomas or certificates. Those interested in enrolling for Cambridge University degree or diploma courses in international law or international relations should contact the relevant Departments.

## 8. Terms and Conditions

The award of a Fellowship is subject to the acceptance by the Brandon Fellow, and if appropriate their employer, of any terms and conditions set generally by the University for visitors, and the standard *Terms and Conditions for Visiting Fellows and Visiting Scholars at the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law*.

**9. Acceptance periods: 2024-2025**

<b>LCIL</b>	<b>Summer Research Period</b>	<b>08/07/2024</b>	<b>13/09/2024</b>
<b>LCIL</b> <i>University term:</i>	<b>Michaelmas Term</b>	<b>23/09/2024</b> <i>08/10/2024</i>	<b>13/12/2024</b> <i>06/12/24</i>
<b>LCIL</b> <i>University term:</i>	<b>Lent Term</b>	<b>13/01/2025</b> <i>21/01/2025</i>	<b>04/04/2025</b> <i>21/03/25</i>
<b>LCIL</b> <i>University term:</i>	<b>Easter Term</b>	<b>28/04/2024</b> <i>29/04/2025</i>	<b>04/07/2025</b> <i>20/06/2025</i>
<b>LCIL</b> <i>University term:</i>	<b>Summer Research Period</b>	<b>14/07/2025</b>	<b>19/09/2025</b>

## 10. Centre fees/accommodation rents:

All visitors are allocated desk space. The availability of a preferred type of desk space or preferred acceptance period cannot be guaranteed. Centre accommodation is limited to four single occupancy ensuite bedrooms in Bahrain House available on a “first come” basis. If Centre accommodation is not available for the period of the visit, the University’s Accommodation Service may be able to assist in securing an alternative. Centre fees/accommodation rents given below are for the academic year 2024-2025. There is no reduction in Centre fee for arrival after the beginning date or departure before the end date.

### Centre fees

(Please be aware that these fees may increase from September 2024 onwards)

	Per term for student visitors	Including VAT @20% for non-student visitors
<b>Individual office</b>	£1614	£1937
<b>Bahrain Study (office shared between four)</b>	£1380	£1656
<b>Bahrain House First Floor (individual or between two)</b>	£1500 (£1614 individual occupancy)	£1800 (£1937 individual occupancy)
<b>Bahrain Library (office shared between five)</b>	£1176	£1411
<b>Snyder room window (office shared between nine)</b>	£1092	£1310
<b>Snyder room other (office shared between nine)</b>	£894	£1073
<b>Summer Research Period (SRP), returning visitors, minimum visit length and payment of fees</b>	<p>If the length of visit during the Summer Research Period is shorter than the whole period, the Centre fee will be charged pro rata of the above rates according to the length of visit plus an administrative charge of £150.</p> <p>The minimum length of visit is usually one term if during Michaelmas, Lent or Easter terms. Shorter visits can be accommodated during the Summer Research Period in line with the guidance above. Visitors are required to pay a deposit on confirmation of visit; the deposit will be deducted from the final balance payment of the Centre fee. The full amount must be paid prior to arrival at the Centre. There is no reduction in Centre fee if your arrival is after the beginning date of term or departure before the end date of term.</p>	

### Accommodation at the Lauterpacht Centre

The Lauterpacht Centre has four ensuite bedrooms which are rented out on a single occupancy basis only.

The cost is **£250 per week** and full payment of accommodation fees are expected before the start of the tenancy. The rooms are on the second floor of Number 7 Cranmer Road with stair access only. The weekly rent includes:

- Bed linen and towels on arrival
- All utilities (water, electricity, gas)
- Wi-Fi
- Use of a large kitchen shared between all tenants with refrigerators, oven, hob, cutlery and crockery
- Access to a washing machine and tumble drier
- Weekly clean of kitchen and bedroom