

THE KALMAN VISITING FELLOWSHIP AT THE UNIVERSITY OF AUCKLAND

GUIDELINES FOR APPLICANTS

This Fellowship is named after John Kalman, who was a professor of Mathematics at the University of Auckland from 1964 to 1993, and a leading promoter of mathematics in New Zealand. The Fellowship is generously supported by a grant from the Margaret and John Kalman Charitable Trust.

This prestigious visiting position is awarded each year to an early career academic to enable them to visit the University of Auckland for a period of several weeks. The Kalman Visiting Fellow would be a faculty member of another University.

The purpose of the Kalman Visiting Fellowship is to enable a “rising star” in mathematics and its applications to visit the University of Auckland and to participate in the intellectual life of the University. The Visiting Fellow would be expected to participate in, and contribute to, research activity, give seminars and engage in informal discussions on research topics with staff and students in the Department of Mathematics (and other Departments within the Faculty of Science and University as appropriate).

Eligibility

The Fellowship will be awarded to a distinguished early career academic working in mathematics and its applications.

Applications should be made by a single electronic submission to eadeansoffice@sfac.auckland.ac.nz and should include:

- A one page proposal of the research to be carried out
- A letter of invitation from your proposed host in the Department of Mathematics (or Faculty of Science)
- A CV (including qualifications, appointments, awards and publications)
- The names and contact details of two potential referees

The closing date for applications is 17 July 2015.

Purpose

The award is to provide assistance with the costs of travel, accommodation, and other local expenses.

Value of the Award

The award will be NZ\$10,000.

Duties and Responsibilities of Visitor

It is expected that the visitor will interact with researchers on current and planned research projects, give lectures and/or seminars to staff and postgraduate students, and be available to lecture to the public or relevant professional groups. Awardees are expected to spend at least two weeks at the University of Auckland.

Assessment Process

Applications will be assessed by a selection panel comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Science (or nominee), the Vice-Chancellor (or nominee), the Head of the Department of Mathematics (or nominee) and one representative of the Margaret and John Kalman Charitable Trust.

Criteria for Assessment

The following criteria may be considered by the panel when assessing applications for funding:

- Rising star in mathematics and its applications within 10 years of having completed a PhD
- Acceptable proposed research activity and interaction
- Appropriate host and hosting department/school
- Acceptable time for proposed visit

Timing

Applications are to be submitted electronically to eadeansoffice@sfac.auckland.ac.nz by 17 July 2015.

Decisions will be announced in early August. Awards must be taken up within one year of offer, and are conditional on the visitor obtaining a visa or work permit to enter NZ.

REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE KALMAN VISITING FELLOWSHIP

1. The Kalman Visiting Fellowship may be awarded each year to a distinguished early career academic working in mathematics and its applications. An early career academic is defined as a graduate who is within 10 years of having completed their PhD.
2. The Kalman Visiting Fellow would be a faculty member of another University and may apply from any country.
3. A Kalman Visiting Fellowship will normally be for a period of several weeks (minimum of two weeks).
4. All fellowships must be completed within the 12 month grant period, and are conditional on the visitor obtaining a visa or work permit to enter NZ.
5. The Kalman Visiting Fellow will be selected by a panel comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Science (or nominee), the Vice-Chancellor (or nominee), the Head of the Department of Mathematics (or nominee) and one representative of the Margaret and John Kalman Charitable Trust.
6. The Kalman Visiting Fellow will be awarded a total of NZ\$10,000 to provide assistance with the costs of travel, accommodation, and other local expenses.
7. It is expected that all incoming Kalman Visiting Fellows will give a faculty seminar and engage in informal discussions on research topics with graduate students.
8. When planning the in-coming Kalman Visiting Fellow's schedule of lectures, the hosting department/school should consult with Pramilla Da Silva, ARD, extension 88113, in good time beforehand with a view to avoiding clashes with relevant lectures given by other visitors.
9. The Fellowship will be reviewed every three years by the Trustees of the Margaret and John Kalman Charitable Trust at which time a decision will be made either to continue, or discontinue, the Fellowship.