



## **LONDON MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY**

### **Women in Mathematics**

#### **Student Placement Description**

**Placement:** Equality and Diversity Student Placement

**Location:** De Morgan House or other suitable location in the UK

**Responsible to:** Chair of LMS Women in Mathematics Committee/Society Communications Officer (London). An appropriate supervisor to be agreed with the Chair of the LMS Women in Mathematics Committee (outside London)

#### **Main purpose of Placement:**

Work on the outreach project, [Success Stories in Mathematics](#). The goal is to research and post new content online that celebrates diversity in mathematics, in particular, diversity in who mathematicians are, what mathematics careers are like, and what constitutes success in mathematics. The resource consist of a set of curated photos and profiles of mathematicians discussing their backgrounds, what they do, and how they are successful.

If time permits within the placement there will be work with the Society's IT Consultant on a revitalisation of the Society's webpages relating to equality and diversity. This is an ideal placement/post for someone looking for practical experience in popular science writing and outreach. It would suit someone intending to apply for a relevant postgraduate course or who has recently completed one.

#### **Main Tasks:**

1. Keeping a record of the individuals who have submitted profile data and photographs, including a range of possible search criteria that may be relevant for the site.
2. Compiling and editing profiles based on the submitted information, and checking finalised versions with the profiled individuals.
3. Writing profiles of some historical mathematicians who demonstrate various aspects of diversity.
4. Soliciting further suggestions of mathematicians (in any career area) it would be good to profile, and contacting these mathematicians to request either that they submit a profile, or that they permit a profile to be written about them, subject to their approval.

5. Collaborating with the IT Consultant at the LMS to create the final resource.

**Further Information:**

- Short-term role, 2 days per week (between Monday and Friday) for a period of up to 10 weeks.
- Hours of work: 10-5 with 1 hour unpaid lunch break.
- Remuneration: £8.50 per hour

**Student Background Requirements**

**Essential:**

- Educated to degree level
- Ability to work unsupervised and as part of a small team.
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills
- Organised approach to work
- Excellent writing skills
- Commitment to equality and diversity issues

**Desirable:**

- Previous experience of popular science writing
- Previous experience in a role related to equality and diversity

**To apply:** Please complete the application form and return the form to India Sivyer at [india.sivyer@lms.ac.uk](mailto:india.sivyer@lms.ac.uk)

**Location:** If you wish to be located outside London you need to state clearly where you would like to be located and provide an accompanying letter of support from a proposed supervisor.

**Enquiries:** For further information about the role, please contact Dr John Johnston at [john.johnston@lms.ac.uk](mailto:john.johnston@lms.ac.uk)

**Deadline:** 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2019

**Interviews to be held:** June 2019

**Placement start date:** To be determined