

UCD School of Archaeology/UCD College of Social Sciences and Law Research Scholarships

General Terms and Conditions 2023/24

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1. The UCD School of Archaeology/UCD College of Social Sciences and Law Research Scholarships awards are intended to underline UCD School of Archaeology's, UCD College of Social Science and Law's, and University College Dublin's commitment to research excellence. The overall aim is to attract applicants of the highest academic standards to participate in and expand School-based structured PhD programmes in the College of Social Sciences and Law (CoSSL)
2. All applicants (EU and non-EU) will be considered. Both MLitt and PhD students may apply.
3. The total value of the scholarship will be equivalent to the EU fee rate for the relevant School to which an application is being made. Scholarships will be awarded for a period of one year, with the possibility of renewal for a further three years (or less). Any such continuation of the fee waiver is subject to satisfactory progress in the PhD
4. The UCD School of Archaeology/UCD College of Social Sciences and Law Research Scholarship cannot be combined with any other scholarship.
5. Applicants must have previously applied to the Irish Research Council's PhD scholarships (or other funding agency), and have been unsuccessful. It is a condition of awards that all recipients of UCD School of Archaeology/UCD College of Social Sciences and Law Research Scholarship will apply again for an IRC PhD Scholarship in the next available funding round.
6. Application process: Students must apply to the School Graduate Director (graeme.warren@ucd.ie) copying archaeology@ucd.ie . In their application, students should supply:
 - o Student's IRC application as previously submitted
 - o Student's IRC score/feedback as received (if received by deadline)
 - o A letter of support from proposed/existing PhD/MLitt supervisor, describing how the application can be/will be improved/made stronger (this can be worked on together)
7. All Applications will be evaluated by the School on the basis of their merit and relevance to School research priorities. The applications will be reviewed by a panel composed of School Graduate Committee and/or TAP members. A scoring system will be used. EDI will be considered. The scoring system will take this form.
 - o Student's IRC application as submitted - worth 60%
 - o Student's IRC score/feedback - worth 20%
 - o A letter of support from proposed/existing PhD/MLitt supervisor, describing potential improvements to new application - worth 20%
8. Once scholarship awards are issued, students must indicate acceptance in writing within two weeks of the formal notification being distributed by the committee. It is the student's responsibility to formally accept the scholarship offer. A non-response by the deadline will be considered as declining the offer.
9. Successful applicants to this Scholarship Scheme will be designated as 'UCD School of Archaeology & UCD College of Social Sciences and Law Research Scholars'.

10. Applications may be made in either Irish or English. In order to facilitate evaluation by the Selection Board, UCD may have to provide a translation of an application where such has not been provided by the applicant. Applicants are free to submit their own translations with their applications.

11. Scholarships will be awarded only to those who are full-time students and who will engage full-time in research during the period of the Scholarship.

12. Should a Scholar be unable for any reason (including medical reasons) to pursue his/her studies in accordance with the Terms and Conditions of the Scholarship, they must inform the relevant School Graduate Director (via his/her supervisor) within two weeks of such a situation coming to their attention. However, given the basis on which Scholarships are awarded, UCD reserves the right to withdraw, suspend, reallocate or seek reimbursement of all or part of the Scholarship.

13. All publicity, including public lectures, publications, print materials and press releases, television and radio advertisements, websites, film, video and audio recordings associated with or arising from the research undertaken by a Scholar while in receipt of a Scholarship must contain acknowledgment of funding received from the 'UCD School of Archaeology & UCD College of Social Sciences and Law Research Scholarship'.