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General Information

Application Forms are available to download from the NUI website: www.nui.ie/awards

To note: Some candidates for NUI awards will be eligible automatically and in such cases there are no special application procedures or entry requirements.

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Introduction

By the Chancellor, Dr Maurice Manning

Réamhrá ón Seansailéir, an Dr Muiris Ó Mainnín

Since its foundation in 1908, the National University of Ireland has sought to recognise and honour some of the brightest minds and talents across the diverse NUI community through its Awards. The University has been fortunate to receive a number of generous trusts and bequests that have supplemented its own resources to finance valuable and prestigious Fellowships, Studentships and Bursaries as well as numerous scholarships and prizes in a wide range of subject areas.

While the value of investments associated with these bequests has risen and fallen in parallel with Ireland's changing economic fortunes; the University, with the support of Senate and the constituent universities, has sought as far as possible to maintain the range of its awards, recognising their increased importance for students and scholars at this time, and will make every effort to continue rebuilding its funds for the future. NUI sees the encouragement of scholarship and recognition of academic distinction as one of its main goals.

The National University of Ireland, as a federal university, has lived through many changes in higher education and has faced many challenges. Now at the centre of a loose federation of independent universities and colleges, NUI as an organisation seeks to evolve and respond continually to changing educational, social and economic circumstances. In its awards, it seeks to reflect the diversity of disciplines studied across the member institutions, from the humanities and social sciences, to the sciences and technology, medicine and creative arts.

In 2017, the National University of Ireland will offer for competition a Post-Doctoral Fellowship in the Sciences, the Irish Historical Research Prize and the NUI Publication Prize in Irish History, all three of which have not been offered since 2015.

This publication gives details of the full range of NUI awards to be offered in 2017, including studentships and scholarships for NUI graduates; scholarships and prizes for current undergraduate students as well as supports for academic publishing.

This year, one of the Travelling Studentship awards will be offered in Economics, Politics and Social Policy and named the Dr T K Whitaker Travelling Studentship in honour of the third Chancellor of NUI to mark the centenary of his birth on 8 December 2016 and his recent passing on 9 January 2017.

Cuirfear duaiseanna Gaeilge in ainm an larsheansailéara ar fáil i mbliana freisin toisc an cion a bhí ag an Dr T K Whitaker ar an nGaeilge agus an obair a rinne sé ar a son i rith a shaoil. Bronnfar Duaiseanna an Dr T K Whitaker sa Ghaeilge ar mhic léinn atá i mbun Máistreachtaí Ealaíon sa Ghaeilge. Is é seo an chéad duais dá leithéid d'Ollscoil na hÉireann a bhronnfar ar mhac léinn i mbun cúrsa máistreachta.

The Senate is satisfied that through the 2017 NUI awards it is enabled to further the primary object of the University as a learning institution dedicated to:

- the enrichment of scholarship and research;
- the advancement and communication of knowledge;
- the promotion of cultural development, and particularly, the encouragement of Irish language and culture;
- the pursuit of equality of educational opportunity.

The Senate remains committed through its awards to recognising the excellence of the students and scholars on the campuses of NUI, creating opportunities for collaboration and partnerships, both national and international, and the formation of closer bonds between the members of the federation and developing a stronger sense of identification with the National University of Ireland.



Dr Maurice Manning
Chancellor of the University



Promotion of future NUI Awards

All award winners will be invited to participate in the 2017 Presentation of Awards Ceremony which will be held in November. Successful applicants in some cases will be required to meet NUI reporting requirements and some award winners may be asked to assist NUI in promoting these awards with potential future applicants.

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Téann mic léinn agus céimithe de chuid comh-ollscoileanna OÉ (COBÁC, Coláiste na hOllscoile Corcaigh, OÉG agus Ollscoil Mhá Nuad) agus ballinstitiúidí eile OÉ (RCSI agus NCAD san áireamh) in iomaíocht do dhuaiseanna Ollscoil na hÉireann gach bliain. Tugann na duaiseanna seo aitheantas agus tacaíocht do scoláirí den scoth ag tréimhsí éagsúla dá gcuid stáidéir acadúla, ó bhunchéimithe go scoláirí sinsearacha atá seanbhunaithe ina gcuid réimsí saineolais. Is bunaidhm de chuid OÉ é cur chun cinn scoláirí agus scoláireachta, agus leis na duaiseanna seo, tugann an Ollscoil onóir d'éacht acadúil a gcuid mac léinn agus céimithe agus féachann sí le deiseanna a chur ar fáil do mhic léinn dul i mbun breis stáidéir.

Gach bliain, bronntar roinnt duaiseanna ar mhic léinn atá i mbun stáidéir ar an nGaeilge ag Searmanas Bronnta na nDuaiseanna i measc na nduaiseanna uile. Bronntar Scoláireachtaí Liteartha an Dr. H H Stewart sa Ghaeilge ar mhic léinn Gaeilge i gcomh-ollscoileanna OÉ bunaithe ar thorthaí scrúdaithe na céad bliana. Chomh maith leis sin tugtar Scoláireacht agus Duais Chiste Theach an Ardmhéara sa Ghaeilge do mhic léinn Gaeilge i gcomh-ollscoileanna OÉ bunaithe ar a gcuid torthaí scrúdaithe deireanacha. Sa bhliain 2016, mar chomóradh ar Éirí Amach 1916, bronnadh dhá Chomhaltacht Iardhochtúireachta sa Léann Éireannach agus Ceilteach freisin. Sa bhliain 2017 bronnfar duaiseanna nua ar mhic léinn máistreachta Gaeilge den chéad uair, Duaiseanna an Dr T K Whitaker sa Ghaeilge, i gcuimhne ar larsheansailéir OÉ an Dr T K Whitaker. Leis na duaiseanna seo féachfaidh OÉ le haitheantas a thabhairt do mhac léinn faoi leith a bhfuil éacht bainte amach nó aici i staidéar iarchéime na Gaeilge.

Gheofar eolas sa leabhrán seo faoi na duaiseanna agus scoláireachtaí ar fad a bheidh ar fáil sa bhliain 2017, iad siúd a bronnadh anuraidh agus eolas eile faoi obair Ollscoil na hÉireann.

Cuireann Ollscoil na hÉireann seirbhísí trí Ghaeilge ar fáil i gcónaí. Bíonn leagan Gaeilge ar fáil de phreaseisiúntí i gcónaí, bíonn eolas ar fáil trí Ghaeilge ar na meáin shóisialta agus is féidir seirbhísí trí Ghaeilge a fháil trí theagmháil a dhéanamh leis an oifig. Is féidir breis eolais a fháil ar www.nui.ie nó ar na meáin shóisialta ar na naisc thíos.

NUI Awards on Social Media

The National University of Ireland seeks to promote the NUI Awards and all NUI Award recipients throughout the year on social media. Information on the 2017 NUI Awards and Award recipients can be found at #NUIAwards17. Follow us on Twitter and Facebook at the links below for up-to-date information about the application process and more.

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1. Graduate Funding Awards 2017

NUI graduates who wish to apply for an NUI award listed in this section will be required to make an application directly to NUI (with the exception of the Fulbright NUI Visiting Researcher Award).

The NUI Awards included in this section are:

- NUI Post-Doctoral Fellowship in the Sciences
- NUI Dr Garret FitzGerald Post-Doctoral Fellowship
- NUI Travelling Studentships
- NUI Denis Phelan Scholarship
- Fulbright NUI Visiting Researcher Award
- NUI Dr Mary L Thornton Scholarship in Education

NUI Post-Doctoral Fellowship in the Sciences

The NUI Post-Doctoral Fellowships are funded by a special NUI Fund. The main purpose of these Fellowships is to encourage and support doctoral graduates of proven academic excellence to advance their scholarly research. It is expected that the research undertaken will result in a substantial contribution to knowledge, worthy of publication, and contribute to the learning culture in the constituent institutions.



(L–R) Dr Deirdre Ní Chonghaile and Dr Niamh Wycherley, recipients of the 2016 NUI Post-Doctoral Fellowships in Irish and Celtic Studies; Dr Brian Hughes and Dr Bronagh McShane, recipients of the 2016 NUI Post-Doctoral Fellowships in Humanities.

In 2017, one **NUI Post-Doctoral Fellowship in the Sciences** is offered to NUI graduates in all branches of the Sciences. The value of the Fellowship will be €80,000 (€40,000 a year for two years).

The closing date for receipt of applications is Friday, 21 April 2017.
Regulations, conditions and application procedures, p. 42.

Recent Recipients of Post-Doctoral Fellowships in the Sciences

Dr Paul O’Callaghan, a graduate of UCC and UCD, is the 2015 NUI Post-Doctoral Fellow in Biology & Environmental Science



“I am now in the second year of my Postdoctoral research fellowship in the School of Biology and Environmental Science in UCD. My research is on the aquatic invertebrate diversity of tropical streams and the impacts of anthropogenic stressors on these ecosystems.

I have a long history with NUI universities having completed a bachelor’s degree in Applied Ecology in UCC as well as a masters degree in Environmental Science and my PhD in UCD. I applied for the Post-Doctoral Fellowship in the Sciences as I was eager to continue and expand on previous research I had initiated during my PhD studies while developing my research experience and publication portfolio. My field studies are based in a tropical cloud forest park which is one of the most endangered ecosystems worldwide. Their considerable biodiversity is not well catalogued and their ecology is not well understood. The NUI fellowship has given me the opportunity to expand this understanding as well as to grow my professional experience.

The Fellowship has facilitated research in an exciting and fragile environment which otherwise would simply not have been possible. It has allowed me to expand my experience as well as my professional network and no doubt enhanced my future research career prospects.”



NUI Dr Garret FitzGerald Post-Doctoral Fellowship in the Social Sciences

This Fellowship, established to honour the memory of the late Chancellor of the National University of Ireland, is used to provide research support for the NUI Education and Society Committee. In 2017, a one-year Fellowship valued at €40,000, will be offered for competition to NUI graduates in an area of higher education or social policy to be determined by the NUI Education and Society Committee. Interested candidates should note that it is expected that this Fellowship will be based in the NUI offices in Merrion Square, Dublin 2.

Further information on this competition will be made available on the NUI website later in 2017.

Dr Aline Courtois, a graduate of UCD, was the 2014 recipient of the Dr Garret FitzGerald Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Social Sciences.



Fellowship Research Project: *The Significance of International Student Mobility in Students' Strategies at Third Level in Ireland.*

Internationalisation has been characterised as one of the most significant transformations in the landscape of third-level education worldwide. One of its most visible features is the increase in cross-border mobility for studies. Dr Courtois's fellowship research focused on undergraduate institutional/credit mobility, namely Erasmus and non-EU exchange programmes organised by Irish institutions for their students. The main objective was to gain an understanding of the strategies and motivations of third-level students choosing to study abroad; in the broader framework international education and career trajectories and strategies. Based on a mixed-methods approach, in particular on interviews with international office administrators, academic coordinators and students returning from exchange, the research explored what students' choices revealed of their geographic and social imaginations in a context of economic globalisation and uncertainty. It also examined the institutional and social logics underpinning institutional partnerships and exchange programmes, with a view to informing institutional strategies in relation to internationalisation and the management of student mobility.

Aline Courtois is a graduate of University College Dublin and Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne and the author of *Elite schooling and social inequality: privilege and power in Ireland's top private schools* to be published by Palgrave in 2017. She taught sociology of education in Ireland and France and was the 2014 recipient of the NUI Dr Garret FitzGerald Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Social Sciences. She is now a research associate based at the Institute of Education, University College London

NUI Travelling Studentships

(maximum of €96,000 for up to four years)

The NUI Travelling Studentship Scheme is one of the University's longest running competitions and has been in existence since 1910. Funded by the University from its own resources, it continues an earlier scheme established by the Royal University of Ireland, which preceded NUI.

The NUI Travelling Studentship Scheme has as its main objectives:

- to encourage the most able students in the NUI federal system to pursue research;
- to enable these students to undertake postgraduate research abroad, in the most reputable universities, towards a doctoral degree, or
- to enable students registered in NUI institutions participating in international partnerships to undertake substantial research periods overseas as part of their doctoral studies;
- to attract these scholars back to enrich the learning community within NUI.

The Travelling Studentship Scheme is valued at up to €24,000 per annum. The funding comprises a stipend of €16,000 and a contribution towards fees of up to €8,000, where appropriate. At least five Travelling Studentships will be offered in 2017, on the basis of a common competition open to NUI graduates, as follows:



2 Travelling Studentships in the Humanities and Social Sciences

(including Business and Law)

2 Travelling Studentships in the Sciences

(including Engineering and Architecture)

1 Travelling Studentship in Economics, Politics and Social Policy

to be awarded in honour of the former NUI Chancellor, Dr T K Whitaker

The closing date for receipt of applications is Friday 31 March 2017. Regulations, conditions and application procedures, p. 45.



2016 NUI Travelling Studentship recipients: (L–R) Hassan Ould Moctar, Kiefer Ramberg, Sarah Johnson, James Millea, Aurélien Burlot and Vincent Duong

Previous Recipients of NUI Travelling Studentships

Paul Doody, a graduate of University College Dublin, is undertaking a PhD in Philosophy at King's College London, UK. His research is in Philosophy of the Mind and focuses on the nature of self-deception.



James Millea, a graduate of University College Cork, is currently pursuing a PhD at the Institute of Popular Music at the University of Liverpool, UK. His current research is focused on the interactions between sampled sounds and music, the Imic image and non-linear narratives in 'New Black Realism', a collection of African-American independent film from the last decade of the 20th century.

Vincent Duong, a graduate of University College Dublin is undertaking a PhD in Organic Chemistry. His research will focus on the catalytic synthesis of heterocycles at UCD with research visits to the University of Bristol, UK.



Sarah Johnson, a graduate of NUI Galway, is now a PhD student in the Department of Biomedical Engineering at NUI Galway. She will conduct research on the characterisation of biological tissues and travel to Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) as part of her Travelling Studentship.

Notable Past Recipients of NUI Travelling Studentships

Dr Pádraig de Brún, the first recipient of an NUI Travelling Studentship, Professor Emeritus of Mathematics, Vice-Chancellor of NUI 1948-49, travelled to France in 1910.

Dr Máire Mhac an tSaoi (Cruise O'Brien), Diplomat and Poet, 1991 NUI Honorary Degree recipient, travelled to France in 1942.

Prof Michael Tierney, Professor of Greek, President of UCD, 1947-64, Politician, travelled to France, Greece and Germany, 1915 (prize) and 1917.

Prof Helen Watanabe-O'Kelly, Professor of German Literature, University of Oxford and 2016 NUI Honorary Degree recipient, travelled to Germany in 1971.



Prof Helen Watanabe-O'Kelly receiving an NUI honorary Degree of Doctor of Literature in 2016

NUI Denis Phelan Scholarship

(€16,000)



NUI Denis Phelan Scholar, Margaret O'Sullivan, a graduate of UCC, with NUI Chancellor, Dr Maurice Manning

The Denis Phelan Scholarship is funded by the NUI Robe-makers, Phelan Conan Limited. This Scholarship is awarded in connection with the Travelling Studentship competitions and will fund a doctoral student for one year. Graduates entering the Travelling Studentship competitions are automatically eligible for consideration.

2016 NUI Denis Phelan recipient, **Ms Margaret O'Sullivan** is a graduate of UCC having recently completed a research masters degree in Music Education. She is currently enrolled in a PhD in Curriculum and Pedagogy in the Faculty of Education at the University of British Columbia where her research will focus on the conceptualisation of quality in teaching and learning in music education.

Fulbright NUI Visiting Researcher Award



NUI is delighted to continue its collaboration with the Fulbright Commission in 2017. A recent agreement between the two organisations means that this partnership is set to continue in the coming years.

The purpose of these grants is to enable Irish citizens or E.U. citizens who are holders of an honours bachelor degree or masters degree from an NUI institution and have been resident in Ireland for three or more years to complete postgraduate research or study for up to one year in the United States. NUI, with the Fulbright Commission, is pleased to be able to offer grants to doctoral candidates in the Humanities, Social Sciences and Sciences, valued at up to €28,000 in total.

This competition is administered directly by the Fulbright Commission www.fulbright.ie



Recipients of Fulbright-NUI Visiting Researcher Awards in 2016 L-R: Rosa Shine, a graduate of NUIG; Michael Paye, a graduate of UCD and Rita Melia, a graduate of NUIG

Dr Mary L Thornton NUI Scholarship in Education

(€5,000)

This is an annual Scholarship in Education, funded by a bequest from the late Dr Mary L Thornton. Open to NUI graduates, the Scholarship is intended to encourage postgraduate research within NUI in the field of education. NUI would wish, through the Scholarship, to encourage research related to Irish higher education and accordingly, preference will be given to applications in this area. However, applications will be accepted in relation to projects in any area of educational research.

Application forms can be downloaded from www.nui.ie/awards
Regulations are set out on p. 48.

Closing date for entries is Friday 31 March 2017.



2. Graduate Scholarships & Prizes 2017

The NUI Awards offered for competition in this section are predominantly awarded to the top NUI graduates in their subject areas:

- The Mansion House Fund Scholarships and Prizes
- Duaiseanna an Dr T K Whitaker sa Ghaeilge
- NUI Scholarship and Prize in Education
- NUI Art and Design Prize
- Pierce Malone Scholarship in Philosophy
- French Government Medals and NUI Prizes for Proficiency in French
- French Government Medals and NUI Prize for Distinction on Dual Degrees
- Spanish Embassy and NUI Prizes for Proficiency in Spanish
- NUI Club London Scholarship

There are no special application procedures or entry requirements for these awards.

The Mansion House Fund Scholarships and Prizes

(€2,000 and €1,300)

The Mansion House Fund, which is designed to promote ‘the study of Irish Language, Literature and History’, provides for the annual award of a Scholarship and a Prize, in the subjects of Irish and Irish History as follows:

- Scoláireacht agus Duais Chiste Theach an Árd Mhéara sa Ghaeilge / The Mansion House Fund Scholarship and Prize in Irish
- The Mansion House Fund Scholarship and Prize in Irish History

These awards are based on the final results of the examinations held in Irish and Irish History in the constituent universities as follows:

- Irish (Modern, Early, Medieval and Classical, or any combination of these) for the BA (Hons) Degree and also, where applicable, for other degrees where Irish is a final year subject, such as the BCL European and BComm International/European
- Irish History for the BA (Hons) Degree

An Extern Examiner, appointed by NUI, will determine the recipients of the Scholarships and the Prizes based on the written work of final year students achieving the highest marks in Irish and Irish History who have passed the BA (Hons) degree examination as a whole.



Duaiseanna an Dr T K Whitaker sa Ghaeilge

(€2,000 and €1,000)

In 2017, NUI is delighted to offer for competition Irish language prizes in memory of the former NUI Chancellor, Dr T K Whitaker. Two prizes, valued at €2,000 and €1,000 respectively, will be offered for competition to students undertaking a Masters of Arts degree programme in the Irish language.

The recommendations for the Prizes will be made by a selection panel, appointed by NUI and chaired by an independent examiner, based on the nominations put forward by each of the constituent universities.

Sa bhliain 2017, is mór ag Ollscoil na hÉireann duaiseanna Gaeilge a chur ar fáil i gcuimhne larsheansailéir OÉ, an Dr T K Whitaker. Bronnfar dhá dhuais, ar luach €2,000 agus €1,000 faoi seach, mar chuid den chomórtas seo ar mhic léinn atá ag tabhairt faoi Mháistreachtaí Ealaíon sa Ghaeilge.

Déanfaidh painéal roghnúcháin, ceaptha ag OÉ agus scrúdaitheoir neamhspleách mar Chathaoirleach air, na moltaí do na Duaiseanna, bunaithe ar ainmiúcháin ó gach ceann de na comh-ollscoileanna.

NUI Scholarship and Prize in Education

(€2,000 and €1,000)

This Scholarship and Prize is awarded to the top two students on the programme leading to the Degree of Professional Masters of Education or an Máistir Gairmiúil san Oideachas, offered in each of the NUI constituent universities. The recommendations for the Scholarship and Prize will be made by a Selection Panel to be appointed by NUI and based on the nominations put forward by each of the constituent universities.



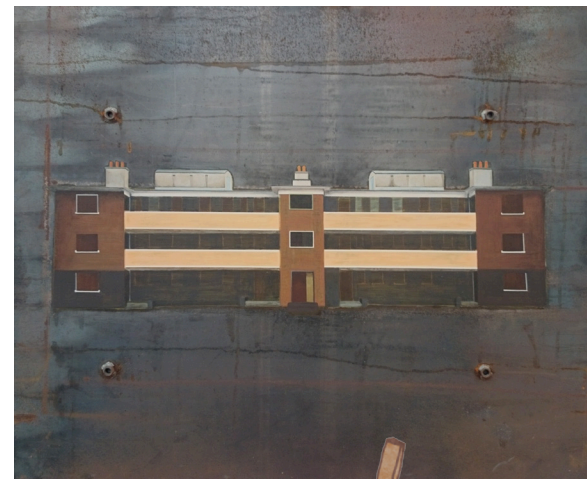
NUI Chancellor Dr Maurice Manning with 2016 recipient of the NUI Prize in Education, Bernadette Foley, a graduate of UCD



NUI Art and Design Prize (€2,000)

This Prize is offered annually for a piece of work by a graduate of NCAD who has distinguished him or herself in one of the Art and Design disciplines. The Prize is a Purchase Prize and the work becomes the property of NUI. Final year BA/BDes and MA students in NCAD will be eligible automatically for consideration for the Prize.

The 2016 Prize was awarded to Seán O'Rourke for one panel of his 'Crucifixion' triptych. By painting on metal panels, once used to board up the windows of Dolphin House flats, Seán created a triptych to commemorate the demolition of this residential space. In transforming relics of the building into art, he brings attention to what once existed.



2016 NUI Art and Design Prize painting, one panel of the 'Crucifixion' triptych, Seán O'Rourke



NUI Chancellor Dr Maurice Manning, NUI Art and Design Prize recipient Seán O'Rourke and NUI Registrar Dr Attracta Halpin

The plates give a realistic look into the rough distressed elements Seán finds intriguing, as well as giving a representation of the area that the plates come from in the form of a painting. By removing the plates from their original context and placing them into the context of a gallery space, it allows them to be primarily viewed in an aesthetic.

Seán lives in Dublin's south inner city, where he was born in 1994. This is where he has drawn his inspiration from, especially in his current work, using what interests him aesthetically about Dublin's economically deprived inner city.



Pierce Malone Scholarship in Philosophy (€2,000)

This Scholarship in Philosophy is a long-standing scholarship, awarded annually, and was established with a bequest from Pierce Malone.

The Scholarship is based on the corpus of written work presented by the top student for the BA (Hons) Degree examination in each of the NUI constituent universities.

Final degree students of Philosophy will be eligible automatically for consideration for this Scholarship. An extern examiner, appointed by NUI, will determine the award of the Scholarship having considered the submissions from each of the constituent universities.

The 2016 Pierce Malone Scholarship in Philosophy went to **Ashling McEvaddy, NUI Galway.**

French Government Medals and NUI Prizes for Proficiency in French

In 1926, the French Government presented a Medal to the University to be awarded in that year for proficiency in French, in connection with the BA (Hons) Degree Examination, on the recommendation of the Extern Examiner. The Medal was offered annually until 1956, when the French Government increased the number of Medals to three, for competition amongst students of the then constituent colleges. In 1962, a fourth Medal was added in for the then Recognised College, St. Patrick's College Maynooth. These Medals are now awarded annually in each of the four NUI constituent universities.

The awarding of the medals continues to be based on the results of the final examinations in French for the BA (Hons) Degree and also, where applicable, the BComm International/European and BCL International Degrees, in the constituent universities. The recommendation regarding the awarding of the medals is made by the Extern Examiner in French in each of the four NUI constituent universities.

With the medal, NUI also awards a cash prize of €1,000 to each of the recipients. The Medals and cash prizes may not be awarded to any student whose native language is French.



L-R: Ms. Louise Aupetit (Embassy of France in Ireland), Dr Martin Howard (UCC), Dr. Stéphane Aymard and Mr. Guillaume Ravier (both Embassy of France in Ireland), with 2016 French government medal and NUI Prize recipients.

French Government Medals and NUI Prizes for Distinction on Dual Degrees awarded by NUI constituent universities and French universities

NUI recently came together with the French Embassy in Ireland to highlight the collaborative programmes which have been established between the constituent universities and universities in France. These collaborative programmes at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels lead to dual degrees which have added benefits for the graduates concerned.

For the first time, in 2016, each of the NUI constituent universities nominated a student who had particularly distinguished him or herself on a dual degree programme. We are delighted to offer these awards again in 2017.

The recipients will receive a French Government medal and an NUI prize of €1,000. The dual degrees selected comprise Bachelor, Master and Doctorate degrees across a range of disciplines and nominations for the prizes will be invited from each of the constituent universities.



Spanish Embassy and NUI Prizes for Proficiency in Spanish

In 2017, NUI will continue to expand its promotion of foreign language studies and is delighted to join forces with the Spanish Embassy in Ireland to offer prizes for proficiency in Spanish to students in each of the NUI constituent universities. These prizes will be awarded to the top student on an honours bachelors degree in each of the NUI constituent universities and will be based on the results of the final year Arts Examinations in Spanish.

Further information on these awards will be made available later in the year.

NUI Club London Scholarship (€2,000)



Dr Maurice Manning, Chancellor, presents Sara Crawford, UCD with the NUI Club London Scholarship in Veterinary Nursing, 2016

This Scholarship, introduced for the first time in 2005, was established as a Memorial Scholarship with funds from a bequest from the NUI Club London following its dissolution in 2003. The Scholarship is offered for competition in a different subject every year.

In 2017, the Scholarship will be awarded to the top student in the final year of the programme leading to the BA (Hons) in Music Technology in Maynooth University.

Previous subject areas awarded

- 2016 Veterinary Nursing – UCD
- 2015 Food Science – UCC
- 2014 Marine Science – NUI Galway
- 2013 Product Design (Marketing & Innovation) Maynooth University
- 2012 Film Studies – NUI Galway
- 2011 Information and Library Studies – UCD
- 2010 Media Studies – Maynooth University
- 2009 Early Childhood Studies – UCC
- 2008 Agriculture – UCD
- 2007 Architecture – UCD
- 2006 Veterinary Medicine - UCD
- 2005 Dentistry – UCC



3. Undergraduate Scholarships & Prizes 2016

The Dr H H Stewart Scholarships and Prizes

The Dr Henry Hutchinson Stewart Literary and Medical Scholarships and Prizes are among the oldest awards to be offered for competition by NUI. First established in 1888 following a bequest from the estate of Dr Henry Hutchinson Stewart, these awards were initially made by the Royal University of Ireland until its dissolution in 1908 and were then continued by NUI. Under the terms of the trust it was provided that two-thirds of the income be allocated for the provision of medical scholarships and one-third for the provision of literary scholarships.

There are no special application procedures or entry requirements for these Scholarships and Prizes.

The Dr H H Stewart Literary Scholarships and Prizes Scoláireachtaí agus Duaiseanna Litríochta an Dr H H Stewart

Scholarships: €1,000 each; First, Second and Third Places: Medals



2016 UCC Dr H H Stewart Literary Scholarship recipients with UCC representatives Dr Helena Buffery, Dr Mark Chu, Dr Gert Hoffman, Dr Martin Howard, Prof Lee Jenkins and the Platform Party at the 2016 NUI Awards Ceremony, Royal Hospital Kilmainham

English	German*	Italian*	Spanish*
French*	Irish	Latin	

*Students whose first language is French, German, Italian or Spanish will not be considered for the Scholarships and Medals in these respective languages.

These awards are based on the results achieved by students taking Latin at beginners' level in bachelors degree programmes in the NUI constituent universities.

First Arts and First Commerce International students in each of the constituent universities will be eligible automatically for consideration for these Scholarships and Prizes.

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarships and Prizes (including Nursing and Midwifery)

Scholarships: €1,000 each; First, Second and Third Places: Medals

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarships and Prizes are offered in a range of subject areas across Medicine, Nursing & Midwifery and the Health Sciences. These awards are based on examination results in the Faculties and Schools of Medicine and Nursing of the constituent universities, the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland and St. Angela's College, Sligo. The examination results of students in overseas campuses in Bahrain and Penang are also included.

In some subjects, nominated students sit examinations, specially set in connection with these awards.

The recipients of the Medical Scholarships and Prizes will be determined by an Extern Examiner, appointed by NUI, in each subject, who will consider examination material of students nominated by the Principals/ Deans of Medicine / Nursing in the NUI constituent universities, RCSI and St. Angela's College, Sligo.



Dr Maurice Manning, Chancellor NUI presenting sisters Rachel O'Malley and Rebecca O'Malley with Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarships

Medicine and Health Sciences

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anaesthesia • Anatomy • Biochemistry • Clinical Radiology • Dentistry* • Diagnostic Imaging* • General Practice • Gynaecology & Obstetrics • Medical Microbiology • Medicine • Occupational Therapy* • Ophthalmology | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paediatrics • Pathology • Pharmacology • Pharmacy* • Physiology • Physiotherapy* • Podiatry • Psychiatry • Public Health • Speech and Language Therapy* • Surgery |
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*Medals are awarded for First and Second place only



Nursing and Midwifery



- Midwifery
- Nursing

In addition to the existing Scholarships and Prizes in Nursing and Midwifery, NUI has recently introduced 3 additional Scholarships and Prizes, to be offered on a rotational basis, as follows:

- Children's Nursing*
- Intellectual Disability Nursing*
- Psychiatric Nursing

*Medals are awarded for First and Second place only

In 2017, the Scholarship and Prizes will be awarded in Psychiatric Nursing.

(L-R) 2016 Dr H H Stewart Nursing & Midwifery recipients Emily Moss (UCD), Barry O'Brien (UCC) and Shauna Callaghan (UCD)

Recent recipients of Scholarships and Prizes in Medicine and Health Sciences

2016 NUIG Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship recipients with the Platform Party and NUIG representatives Dr Rosemary Geoghegan, Dr Gerard Flaherty and Dr Carmel Jennings, (St. Angela's College, Sligo) at the 2016 NUI Awards Ceremony, Royal Hospital Kilmainham



(L-R) Dr Helen Gallagher, UCD with UCD recipients of Dr H H Stewart scholarship and prizes in Pharmacology Calvin Flynn and Kira Casey

4. Publication Prizes 2017

Irish Historical Research Prize (€5,000)

This Irish Historical Research Prize is offered in alternate years for the best new work of Irish Historical Research, which must have been published for the first time by a graduate of the National University of Ireland. The work, which should be substantial, must be of an original character indicating direct research in historical records. Works eligible to be considered for the 2017 Prize must have been published in the period April 2014 to March 2017. Works previously entered for the Prize are not eligible for consideration.

Regulations, conditions and application procedures, p. 44.

Previous recipients of this Prize have included:

Dr Elva Johnston, BA, MA, D.Phil,
Literacy and Identity in Medieval Ireland,
published in 2013 by Boydell & Brewer.

Professor James Kelly, BA, MA, PhD,
Sport in Ireland 1600–1840,
published in 2014 by Four Courts Press.
(Special Commendation Prize)

Dr Colmán Ó Clabaigh, BA, PhD,
The Friars in Ireland, 1224–1540
published in 2012 by Four Courts Press.

Dr Bernadette Cunningham, BA, PhD,
*The Annals of the Four Masters: Irish History,
Kingship and Society in the Early Seventeenth Century*,
published in 2010 by Four Courts Press.

Dr Maurice Bric, BA, MA, PhD (John Hopkins University),
Ireland, Philadelphia and the Re-Invention of America 1760-1800,
published in 2008 by Four Courts Press.

Professor William J. Smyth, BA, PhD,
*Map-making, Landscapes and Memory: A Geography
of Colonial and Early Modern Ireland, c.1530–1750*,
published in 2006 by Cork University Press.



(L–R) Dr Elaine Farrell, Professor James Kelly and Dr Elva Johnston, 2015 recipients of Irish Historical Research Prizes and NUI Publication Prize in Irish History

NUI Publication Prize in Irish History

(€3,000)

The NUI Publication Prize in Irish History, first introduced as an NUI Centennial Award in 2008, is offered for competition in alternate years to graduates of the National University of Ireland of doctoral status. Works eligible to be considered for the Prize must be published as a first sole author book, following the conferral of a doctoral degree, in the period April 2014 to March 2017. The work, which should be substantial, must be of an original character indicating direct research in historical records.

Regulations, conditions and application procedures, p.45

Previous recipients of this Prize have included:

Dr Elaine Farrell, BA, MA, PhD,
A most diabolical deed: Infanticide and Irish Society, 1850–1900,
published in 2013 by Manchester University Press.

Dr Ciaran O’Neill, BA, MA, PhD,
Catholics of Consequence: Transnational Education, Social Mobility and the Irish Catholic Elite, 1850–1900,
published in 2014 by Oxford University Press.
(Special Commendation Prize)

Dr John Cunningham, BA, PhD,
The Transplantation to Connacht, 1649–1680,
published in 2011 by the Royal Historical Society, Boydell Press.

Dr Caitriona Foley, BA (Dub), PhD,
The Last Irish Plague: The Great Flu Epidemic in Ireland,
published in 2011 by Irish Academic Press.

Dr Owen McGee, BA, PhD,
The IRB: The Irish Republican Brotherhood from the Land League to Sinn Féin, published in 2005
by Four Courts Press.



Dr Ciaran O’Neill, 2015 recipient of a Special Commendation Prize for the NUI Publication Prize in Irish History



The closing date for receipt of applications for both Prizes is Friday, 28 April 2017.

5. NUI Awards Ceremony 2016



2016 NUI Awards Recipients with Platform Party at the 2016 NUI Awards Ceremony, Royal Hospital, Kilmainham.

NUI hosted its annual Awards Ceremony in the Royal Hospital Kilmainham on Wednesday 9 November 2016 where Dr Maurice Manning, Chancellor of the University, presented awards to NUI students and graduates. In 2016 NUI granted awards to a value in excess of €1.2 million to NUI students, graduates, staff and institutions. At the ceremony, NUI honoured scholars of distinction at every stage of their academic studies, from undergraduates to senior scholars well established in their fields of expertise. Speaking at the ceremony, Dr Manning congratulated the awards recipients and said that it was 'a very proud day for the National University of Ireland, one where we can recognise and honour some of the brightest minds and talents across the diverse NUI community.' He went on to say that 'to excel at this level, in this company, is a major achievement' where 'those receiving awards [...] have competed against the best of their peers across the National University of Ireland, which is the largest element of Ireland's university system.' Of the ceremony, Dr Manning remarked that 'we are celebrating different manifestations of greatness – a great idea, great achievement, great scholarship, great promise.'

Over one hundred and thirty students and graduates from the NUI constituent universities, recognised colleges and other NUI member institutions were presented with post-doctoral fellowships, travelling studentships and other awards. UCD, UCC, Maynooth University, NUI Galway, RCSI, St Angela's College, Sligo and NCAD were all represented, as were the overseas campuses, the Medical University Bahrain (RCSI) and Penang Medical College, Malaysia (UCD).



2016 RCSI recipients of Dr H H Stewart Awards with Mr Matthew Lynch, School of Pharmacy

In the year when Ireland remembered the 1916 Easter Rising as the founding moment in the State's history, NUI also sought to commemorate the Rising in ways particularly appropriate to the University. Special commemorative medals were commissioned to mark this anniversary. These medals were struck in honour of Éamon de Valéra, who played an active role in 1916 and later went on to lead the country as Taoiseach and as President for a significant part of the 20th century. He was also Chancellor of the National University of Ireland from 1922 until his death in 1975. At the awards ceremony each award recipient was presented with a special commemorative medal by the Chancellor.

Included in the NUI Awards offered in 2016 were four NUI Post-Doctoral Fellowships, two in Humanities and two in Irish and Celtic Studies. Travelling Studentships were awarded to support ten NUI graduates undertaking doctoral research in a range of disciplines in Humanities and the Sciences, in the constituent universities and in university campuses across the globe from the

University of Notre Dame in Indiana, USA to the University of Cambridge, UK. In addition to this, two Studentships were specially awarded in Mathematics in honour of Éamon de Valéra given his keen professional interest in Mathematics, and these formed part of NUI's contribution to the 1916 centennial commemoration. Other graduate awards presented at the ceremony included the NUI E J Phelan Fellowship in International Law, which was offered in 2016. A range of scholarships and prizes were also awarded to graduate and undergraduate students in Medicine; Nursing; Education; Art and Design; a range of languages and other disciplines.



Conferring of Uversity Graduates

The 2016 Awards Ceremony also played host to the second conferring of masters degrees on students of Uversity, the newest recognised college of NUI. Eight students were conferred with the Degree of Master of Arts in Creative Process at the ceremony held at the Royal Hospital Kilmainham.



NUI Registrar Dr Attracta Halpin, NUI Chancellor Dr Maurice Manning and Uversity CEO Ms Colleen Dube with 2016 Uversity graduates

Dr Maurice Manning remarked of Uversity 'It is my earnest hope that the institution will flourish, that it will grow, and that the success of this first programme is just a foretaste of what is to come.' He concluded the conferring by congratulating the graduates of Uversity, saying 'You have all been highly successful on the MA programme. I feel sure that you will go on from here and do great things.'

Recipients of NUI Awards in 2016

NUI Post-Doctoral Fellowship in the Humanities

Brian Hughes, BA, MPhil, PhD, Maynooth University, will take up the Fellowship in An Foras Feasa, the Research Institute for the Humanities in Maynooth University.

Bronagh McShane, BA, PhD, Maynooth University, will take up the Fellowship in the Moore Institute for Research in the Humanities and Social Studies in NUI, Galway.

NUI Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Irish and Celtic Studies

Deirdre Ní Chonghaile, BA, MA, PhD, University College Cork, will take up the Fellowship in the Moore Institute for Research in the Humanities and Social Studies in NUI, Galway.

Niamh Wycherley, BA, MA, PhD, University College Dublin, will take up the Fellowship in the Moore Institute for Research in the Humanities and Social Studies in NUI, Galway.

NUI Travelling Studentships in the Humanities and Social Sciences

Hassan Ould Moctar, BA, MSc, Maynooth University (Development Studies)
Andrew Hannon, BA, MEconSc, National University of Ireland, Galway (Economics)
James Millea, BA, MA, University College Cork (Music)
Paul Doody, BA, MA, University College Dublin (Philosophy)
Aurélien Burlot, BA, University College Cork (Archaeology)

NUI Travelling Studentship Prize

Deirdre Troy, BA, MA, University College Dublin & National University of Ireland, Galway (Philosophy)

NUI Travelling Studentships in the Sciences

Kiefer Ramberg, BSc, National University of Ireland, Galway (Chemistry)
Sarah Johnson, BEng, National University of Ireland, Galway (Biomedical Engineering)
Vincent Duong, BSc, University College Dublin (Chemistry)

NUI Travelling Studentships in Mathematics

Patrick Heslin, BSc, MSc, Maynooth University (Topology & Geometry)
Aaron Tyrrell, BSc, MSc, Maynooth University (Differential Geometry)

NUI Denis Phelan Scholarship

Margaret O'Sullivan, BMus, MRes. University College Cork (Music Education)

Pierce Malone Scholarship in Philosophy

Ashling McEvaddy, BA, National University of Ireland, Galway

Fulbright-NUI Visiting Researcher Award

Michael Paye, BA, MA, University College Dublin
Rosa Shine, BEng, National University of Ireland, Galway
Rita Melia, BA, National University of Ireland, Galway

NUI E J Phelan Fellowship in International Law

Gene Carolan, BCL, LLM, Maynooth University
Sandra Duffy, LLB, LLM, University College Cork

NUI Scholarship and Prize in Education

Scholarship: **Rebecca Buggy**, BA, PME, University College Cork
Prize: **Bernadette Foley**, BComm, PME, University College Dublin

Scoláireacht Chiste Theach an Ardmhéara sa Ghaeilge

Laoghseach Ní Choistealbha, BA, National University of Ireland, Galway

Duais Chiste Theach an Ardmhéara sa Ghaeilge

Caroline Mary Hourigan, BA, Maynooth University

Mansion House Fund Scholarship in Irish History

Charlotte Campbell, BA, University College Dublin

Mansion House Fund Prize in Irish History

Christopher Breslin, BA, National University of Ireland, Galway

NUI Art and Design Prize

Sean O'Rourke, BA (Fine Art), National College of Art and Design

NUI Club London Scholarship

Sara Crawford, BSc (Hons) in Veterinary Nursing, in University College Dublin.

NUI Scholarship in Rural Development

Kornelia Horvath, BSc University College Dublin

French Government Medals and NUI Prizes for distinction on Dual Degrees awarded by NUI constituent universities and French universities

Marianne Madden, University College Dublin
(Bachelor of Civil Law, University Paris 2 and University Toulouse 1)
Niall Colbert, University College Cork
(Master Erasmus Mundus MITRA, University Lille 3)
Mari McMahon, National University of Ireland, Galway
(PhD in Biomedical Sciences, University Rennes 1)
Emer Shannon, Maynooth University
(LLM in International Business Law, University Catholique Lyon)

French Government Medals and NUI Prizes for Proficiency in French

Patrick Fitzsimons (ex aequo), University College Dublin

Emilie Kiermeir (ex aequo), University College Dublin

Máiréad Jones, University College Cork

Sorcha O'Boyle, National University of Ireland, Galway

Liadan Ní Chearbhaill, Maynooth University

The Dr Henry Hutchinson Stewart Literary Scholarships and Prizes

The Dr H H Stewart Literary Scholarship in English

Chloe Harte, University College Cork

2nd prize: Calvin Duffy, University College Dublin

3rd prize: Saoirse Browne, Maynooth University

The Dr H H Stewart Literary Scholarship in French

Dean Donnelly, Maynooth University

2nd prize: Christopher Finn, National University of Ireland, Galway

3rd prize: Fiona McGowan, University College Dublin

Commendation: Daniel Herlihy, University College Cork

The Dr H H Stewart Literary Scholarship in Gaelige

Shannon Grimes, National University of Ireland, Galway

2nd prize: Miriam Fitzsimons, Maynooth University

3rd prize: Kevin Boushel, Maynooth University

The Dr H H Stewart Literary Scholarship in German

Alexandra Philbin, University College Cork

2nd prize: Orla Mooney, University College Dublin

3rd prize: Róisín McGuigan, Maynooth University

The Dr H H Stewart Literary Scholarship in Italian

Ana Harrington, University College Cork

2nd prize: Sinéad Conlon, University College Dublin

3rd prize: Paula Maher Martin, National University of Ireland, Galway

The Dr H H Stewart Literary Scholarship in Latin

Maria Benerrabeh, University College Cork

2nd prize: Niamh Kehoe-Rouchy, University College Cork

3rd prize: Charlie Harding, Maynooth University

The Dr H H Stewart Literary Scholarship in Spanish

Daniel Herlihy, University College Cork

2nd prize: Aoife Murray, University College Dublin

3rd prize: Caoimhe McHugh, National University of Ireland, Galway

Dr Henry Hutchinson Stewart Medical Scholarships and Prizes

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Anaesthesia

Darragh McKeon, National University of Ireland, Galway

2nd prize: Samuel Kehoe, University College Dublin

3rd prize: Elizabeth Murphy, University College Dublin

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Anatomy

Brian Gordon, National University of Ireland, Galway

2nd prize: John Harford, University College Dublin

3rd prize: Nicolle Clements, National University of Ireland, Galway

Commendation: Zahraa Al-Sharshahi, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Biochemistry

Elizabeth Maher, National University of Ireland, Galway

2nd prize: Aya Al-Hasani, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland

3rd prize: John Tepper, National University of Ireland, Galway

Commendation: Jennifer Dowd, University College Dublin

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Clinical Radiology

Ciannait Lehane, National University of Ireland, Galway

2nd prize: Clodagh McDermott, National University of Ireland, Galway

3rd prize: Shaunna Kelly, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in General Practice

Emily Rutherford, University College Cork

2nd prize: Siobhan Burrington, University College Dublin

3rd prize: Conal Houstoun, University College Cork

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Gynaecology and Obstetrics

Davina Henderson, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland

2nd prize: Laura Ridgeway, University College Dublin

3rd prize: Aisling Hennebry, National University of Ireland, Galway

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Medical Microbiology

Sinéad Flanagan University College Cork

2nd prize: Ciara Ryan, National University of Ireland, Galway

3rd prize: Alan Corkery, University College Cork

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Medicine

Eléin Thompson National University of Ireland, Galway

2nd prize: Zara Togher, University College Dublin

3rd prize: Aisling Wright, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland

Commendation: Clodagh McDermott, National University of Ireland, Galway

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Ophthalmology

Ruth Ellard, University College Dublin

2nd prize: Brian O'Tuama, University College Cork

3rd prize: Robert Whiriskey, University College Cork

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Paediatrics

Clarissa Ern Hui Fang, National University of Ireland, Galway

2nd prize: Seán Brennan, National University of Ireland, Galway

3rd prize: Sinead Spencer, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Pathology

Esther Macken, National University of Ireland, Galway

2nd prize: Sarvenaz Esmaeilzadeh, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland

3rd prize: Sinead O Riordan, University College Cork

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Pharmacology

Calvin Flynn, University College Dublin

2nd prize: Kira Casey, University College Dublin

3rd prize: Esther Shan Lin Hor, University College Dublin

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Physiology

Jennifer Dowd, University College Dublin

2nd prize: Wei Qi Vanessa Chan, University College Cork

3rd prize: Cara Pray, University College Cork

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Psychiatry

Jacqueline Sheehan, University College Cork

2nd prize: Seán Donohue, National University of Ireland, Galway

3rd prize: Orla Hennessy, National University of Ireland, Galway

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Public Health

Miray Unal, National University of Ireland, Galway

2nd prize: Michelle Maher, National University of Ireland, Galway

3rd prize: Cathal O'Leary, University College Dublin

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Surgery

Laura Walsh, University College Cork

2nd prize: Nicholas Di Mascio, University College Dublin

3rd prize: David McDonnell, University College Cork

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Dentistry

Eoghan Flynn, University College Cork

2nd prize: Daniel James Chia, University College Cork

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Diagnostic Imaging

Maria Malone, University College Dublin

2nd prize: Roisin Costigan, University College Dublin

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Midwifery

Shauna Callaghan, University College Dublin

2nd prize: Cáit Ní Líonacháin, National University of Ireland, Galway

3rd prize: Emily Moss, University College Dublin

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Nursing

Rachel O'Malley, National University of Ireland, Galway

2nd prize: Stephen Woods, University College Dublin

3rd prize: Ciarán McClelland, University College Cork

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Intellectual Disability Nursing

Anne Marie Kelly, St. Angela's College, Sligo

2nd prize: Barry O'Brien, University College Cork

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Occupational Therapy

Aine Blake, University College Cork

2nd prize: Thelma Stell, National University of Ireland, Galway

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Pharmacy

Katie McCormick, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland

2nd prize: Tessa Jean Cagney, University College Cork

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Physiotherapy

Eleanor Creighton, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland

2nd prize: Niamh Cotter, University College Dublin

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Podiatry

Leanne Diviney, National University of Ireland, Galway

2nd prize: Shauna Lane, National University of Ireland, Galway

The Dr H H Stewart Medical Scholarship in Speech and Language Therapy

Rebecca O'Malley, National University of Ireland, Galway

2nd prize: Catherine Goold, University College Cork

6. NUI Grants in Aid 2016

The O'Brien Bequest Awards

This bequest is used to support the following schemes as follows:

The NUI Award Scheme for Students with Disabilities

This scheme has provided support for undergraduate students who have serious physical disabilities and who propose to pursue primary degree programmes in the National University of Ireland.

The scheme is currently being reviewed and further details of the awards to be offered in 2017 will be made available later in the year.

The NUI Equal Educational Opportunities Scheme

NUI is committed to promoting greater social equity in Irish higher education through securing increased participation in the constituent universities by economically disadvantaged students. To provide further support, the Senate funds an NUI Equal Educational Opportunities Scheme to support students in economically disadvantaged circumstances. This scheme is administered directly in the constituent universities and recommendations relating to the allocation of funding are made to Senate by the President in each constituent university. Students cannot apply to NUI directly for this scheme.



7. NUI Publications Scheme & Lecture Series

NUI has a number of schemes designed to encourage and support scholarly research and academic publishing. For the most part these are funded from the NUI Publications Fund.

Grants towards Scholarly Publication

The University has traditionally provided a number of grants-in-aid annually towards scholarly publications by staff of the NUI institutions, on the basis of individual applications to the Senate. The scheme is open to full-time and part-time staff of the NUI constituent universities, Recognised Colleges and Colleges linked with constituent universities. Under the scheme, grants of up to €3,000 may be awarded, following the Senate's consideration and approval of recommendations submitted by the NUI Publications Committee, which considers applications at its meetings in June and December.

All queries relating to the Grants towards Scholarly Publication should be addressed to the Registrar's Office; email registrar@nui.ie.

Application forms are available to download at www.nui.ie. Regulations, conditions and application procedures, p. 49.

Recent awards include:

John Cunningham & Niall Ó Ciosáin (eds), *Culture and Society in Ireland since 1750: historical reflections in honour of Gearóid Ó Tuathaigh* (Lilliput Press, 2015)
John Cunningham is a Lecturer in the Department of History, NUI Galway (and also a previous recipient of the NUI Publication Prize in Irish History) and Niall Ó Ciosáin is a Senior Lecturer in the Department of History, NUI Galway. Professor Gearóid Ó Tuathaigh was awarded an Honorary Degree of Doctor of Literature by NUI on 1 December 2016.

Anne Fogarty & Fran O'Rourke (eds), *Voices on Joyce* (University College Dublin Press, 2015).

Anne Fogarty is Professor of James Joyce Studies in the School of English, Drama and Film, UCD and Fran O'Rourke is Associate Professor in the School of Philosophy, UCD.

Colin Coulter & Angela Nagle (eds), *Ireland Under Austerity: Neoliberal Crisis, Neoliberal Solution* (Manchester University Press, 2015)

Colin Coulter is a Senior Lecturer in the Department of Sociology, Maynooth University and Angela Nagle received her PhD from Dublin City University.

Griffin Murray, *The Cross of Cong: A Masterpiece of Medieval Irish Art* (Irish Academic Press, 2014)

Griffin Murray is an Irish Research Council Postdoctoral Research Fellow in the Department of Archaeology, University College, Cork.

Cara Levey, *Fragile Memory, Shifting Impunity: Commemoration and Contestation in Post-Dictatorship Argentina and Uruguay* (Peter Lang, 2016)

Cara Levey is a Lecturer in the Department of Spanish, Portuguese and Latin American Studies, University College Cork.



ÉIGSE: a Journal of Irish Studies

Since its foundation NUI has been particularly committed to the promotion of scholarly research in the field of Irish studies. A first journal *Lia Fáil* was founded under the editorship of Dr Douglas Hyde (a facsimile reproduction of which was published in March 2013). This was succeeded by *Éigse: A Journal of Irish Studies* published by the University since 1938. Originally published with the aid of the Adam Boyd Simpson Bequest, *Éigse* is now published through the NUI Publications Fund.

Since 2010, *Éigse* is edited by Liam Mac Mathúna, Professor Emeritus of Irish, UCD. It has an advisory board composed of international scholars. The journal is published on a regular basis, the 39th volume was issued in 2016. In addition, an ancillary series is published on occasion, the most recent volume of which appeared in 2016; *Saothrú na Gaelige Scríofa i Suímh Uirbeacha na hÉireann, 1700–1850*, edited by Liam Mac Mathúna and Regina Uí Chollatáin.

For further information see www.nui.ie/eigse.
Email eigse@nui.ie or publications@nui.ie.

Ó bunaíodh í, bhí Ollscoil na hÉireann i gcónaí tiomanta do chur chun cinn taighde scolártha sa Léann Éireannach. Bhí an Dr Dubhghlas de hÍde ina eagarthóir ar an gcéad irisleabhar *Lia Fáil* (foilsíodh eagrán macasamhlach de seo mí Márta 2013). Ina dhiaidh seo, foilsíodh *Éigse: A Journal of Irish Studies*, atá á chur amach ag an Ollscoil ó 1938 i leith. Foilsíodh é ar dtús báire le cunamh ó Thiomnacht Adam Boyd Simpson. Is trí Chiste Foilseachán OÉ a fhoilsítear *Éigse* anois.

Ó 2010 i leith, is é Liam Mac Mathúna, Ollamh Emeritus le Gaeilge, COBÁC eagarthóir *Éigse*. Tá bord comhairleach ann chomh maith a bhfuil scoláirí idirnáisiúnta air. Foilsítear an t-irisleabhar ar bhonn rialta agus foilsíodh an 39ú imleabhar sa bhliain 2016. Chomh maith leis seo, foilsítear sraith choimhdeach ó am go chéile: is é an t-imleabhar is déanaí a bhí ann ná *Saothrú na Gaelige Scríofa i Suímh Uirbeacha na hÉireann, 1700–1850*, a foilsíodh sa bhliain 2016. Tá sé curtha in eagar ag Liam Mac Mathúna agus Regina Uí Chollatáin.

Chun tuilleadh eolais a fháil, féach www.nui.ie/eigse.
Ríomhphost: eigse@nui.ie nó publications@nui.ie.



The Dr Garret Fitzgerald Memorial Lectures

As a memorial to its former Chancellor, NUI has established the Dr Garret Fitzgerald Memorial Lectures, an annual series of lectures by distinguished speakers on topics of national or international importance. These lectures are hosted in rotation by the constituent universities and Recognised Colleges.

In 2016 the Dr Garret Fitzgerald Memorial Lecture entitled *In Defence of the State: Fractious Politics in Hard Times* was given by Professor Brigid Laffan, Director of the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies at the European University Institute, Italy and former Professor of European Politics in UCD and Principal of the UCD College of Human Sciences.



L–R: Prof Patrick Honohan, Dr Attracta Halpin, NUI Registrar, The Hon Mr Justice John Mac Menamin, Prof Brigid Laffan, NUI Chancellor Dr Maurice Manning, Prof John FitzGerald, Dr Mary FitzGerald at the 2016 Garret Fitzgerald Memorial Lecture, RCSI

Other Lectures to date:

- *In Defence of the State: Fractious Politics in Hard Times* by Professor by Brigid Laffan
- *From Nightmare and Dreams to Realities: Citizens, Judges and Democracy in the New Europe* by The Hon Mr Justice John Mac Menamin
- *European Integration and the Taming of Nationalism* by Dr Peter Sutherland
- *Garret FitzGerald and Irish Foreign Policy* by Dr Seán Donlon
- *Garret FitzGerald and the Quest for a New Ireland* by Professor Ronan Fanning



L–R: Professor Liam Mac Mathúna, editor of *Éigse: A Journal of Irish Studies*, Dr Attracta Halpin, Registrar NUI, Dr Maurice Manning, NUI Chancellor, Dr Michael Kennedy, Executive Editor, Documents on Irish Foreign Policy, RIA, Ted Hallett, former Deputy British Ambassador to Ireland, Dr Elva Johnston, UCD School of History & 2015 recipient of the Irish Historical Research Prize

NUI Public Lecture Series

In June 2016, NUI hosted a seminar entitled ‘Eoin MacNeill: a Reassessment of the Scholar Revolutionary’. The seminar explored aspects of the life and career of Eoin MacNeill (1867 – 1945), a member of the first Senate of the National University of Ireland (1908 – 1914) and first Professor of Early Irish History in University College Dublin. As his grandson Senator Michael McDowell noted at the event, ‘MacNeill deserves close and debated study; his influence on Irish history is significant. In more than one sense he was a foremost author of Irish history’.

Also speaking at the seminar, Dr Elva Johnston of the UCD School of History emphasised MacNeill’s central importance to the study of Early Irish History. Professor Liam MacMathúna outlined MacNeill’s pioneering role in the Irish Language movement. Ted Hallett, former Deputy British Ambassador to Ireland, spoke of MacNeill’s participation in, and ultimate resignation from, the Boundary Commission. Dr Michael Kennedy, Executive Editor of the Documents on Irish Foreign Policy series, Royal Irish Academy, covered MacNeill’s dynamic leadership of the Irish Manuscripts Commission.

The event was organised by NUI as part of its Decade of Commemorations programme.

On 16 February 2017, an ILO-NUI lecture will be given by Professor Mary Daly, President of the Royal Irish Academy and Professor Emerita of History at UCD, at the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland. The lecture will focus on women and work, with special but not unique reference to Ireland.

A full listing of lectures published by NUI is available at www.nui.ie/publications For further information, email publications@nui.ie

8. NUI Awards not on Offer 2017

NUI Post-Doctoral Fellowship in the Humanities

The NUI Post-Doctoral Fellowship in the Humanities, similar to the Sciences is funded by a special NUI Fund.

NUI Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Irish and Celtic Studies

Comhaltacht Iardhochtúireachta OÉ sa Léann Éireannach agus Ceilteach

In 2016, two Fellowships were awarded in Irish and Celtic Studies. These Fellowships were funded by the Adam Boyd Simpson and the Eleanor Boyd Fund.

NUI E J Phelan Fellowship in International Law

This Fellowship, funded by a special bequest from the late Edward and Fernande Phelan, was first awarded in 2002, and is normally offered in alternate years. The Fellowship is intended to encourage and support a doctoral candidate of proven academic excellence at an advanced stage of their studies towards a doctoral degree in any area of International Law, in a constituent university of NUI. It is expected that the research undertaken will result in a substantial contribution to knowledge worthy of publication.

NUI Scholarship in Rural Development

This Scholarship is awarded in alternate years to the top student in the BSc (Hons) in Rural Development. It is the sole degree programme offered jointly by the four constituent universities.

In 2016, the Scholarship was awarded to Ms Kornelia Horvath, University College Dublin.

There are no special application procedures or entry requirements for this scholarship.

9. Regulations, Conditions and Application Procedures for NUI Awards 2017

- **NUI Post-Doctoral Fellowship in the Sciences**
- **Irish Historical Research Prize**
- **NUI Publication Prize in Irish History**
- **NUI Travelling Studentship Scheme**
- **NUI Dr Mary L Thornton Scholarship in Education**
- **NUI Grant towards a Scholarly Publication**

Regulations Governing the NUI Post-Doctoral Fellowship in the Sciences

The National University of Ireland is pleased to invite applications for the NUI Post-Doctoral Fellowship in the Sciences offered for competition in 2017.

Section 1: General Regulations of the Fellowship

1. General Regulations

The Fellowship will be awarded on the basis of a common competition open to NUI graduates in all branches of the Sciences.

2. Value of Fellowship: €80,000

The Fellowship, valued at €80,000, i.e. €40,000 per annum, will be tenable by way of a fixed purpose contract between the Fellow and the NUI institution where the Fellow is based and will be payable in accordance with the terms of the contract.

3. Objectives

The Fellowship is intended to encourage and support a post-doctoral candidate of proven academic excellence to advance their scholarly research in their chosen field in a constituent university or a recognised college of NUI. It is expected that the research will result in a substantial contribution to knowledge worthy of publication.

4. Eligibility

4.1 To be eligible to apply for the Fellowship, candidates must be graduates of doctoral status (awarded no earlier than 1 January 2012), holding any degree of the National University of Ireland, whose doctorates are in any area of the Sciences.

4.2 Full-time and permanent members of staff of the NUI constituent universities, other NUI member institutions, or other higher education institutions are not eligible to apply for this Fellowship.

5. Application Procedure

Application forms are available to download at www.nui.ie/awards and should be submitted with the following documentation:

5.1 Research Proposal: Candidates are required to submit a detailed statement (max. 2000 words) concerning the research that they propose to undertake during the tenure of the Fellowship.

The research proposal should give details of:

- the proposed topic of the research;
- the proposed nature, scope and methodology of the research;
- the relevance and importance of the study;
- a preliminary literature review;
- where the research will be conducted and reasons for choosing that centre;
- other investigators involved in the research, where appropriate;
- potential future developments for the study

5.2 Abstract of Research Proposal: Candidates are required to submit a short abstract of the research proposal (max. 200 words). To note: the abstract will be included in the invitation to prospective independent subject specialists asking them to review the application.

5.3 Letter of Support for Application: A letter from the relevant Head of Department/School concerned should also be submitted indicating support for the application and confirming that the resources required will be provided if the application is successful.

5.4 Curriculum Vitae: to include academic and other relevant achievements to date.

5.5 Where appropriate, candidates should provide information on previous research grants and scholarly publications.

5.6 Certified Academic Transcripts: to be submitted for each degree and diploma awarded.

5.7 Reports of Two Academic Referees: a specific NUI report form (available at www.nui.ie/awards) is to be completed by the referee(s) and (i) returned to the candidate in a sealed envelope or (ii) emailed directly to awards@nui.ie. It is the responsibility of the candidate to ensure that the references are submitted to NUI by their referees by the closing date. If references are not submitted by the closing date, a candidate's application may be deemed ineligible for consideration.

6. Selection Process

6.1 The NUI Registrar and designated NUI staff will administer the competition for the Fellowship.

6.2 A shortlisting process will apply and shortlisted candidates will be invited to attend for interview.

6.3 Two independent subject specialists will assess the application of each candidate. The reports of the subject specialists will be made available to the NUI Registrar and will inform the decision on the shortlisting of candidates for interview.

6.4 Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed by a Selection Panel to be appointed by NUI.

6.5 The Selection Panel will consist of the Heads of relevant Schools/Colleges in the Sciences, or their representatives, from each of the constituent universities and will be chaired by an independent specialist. Additional expert(s) may be invited by NUI to sit on the Panel, if required.

6.6 The full application and subject specialist reports for each shortlisted candidate will be made available to the Selection Panel in advance of the interviews.

6.7 Following the interviews, the Selection Panel will finalise its recommendations to the NUI Registrar on the awarding of the Fellowship. The NUI Registrar will inform the successful candidate in writing of the Senate's decision regarding the awarding of the Fellowship.

6.8 Following the completion of the assessment process, candidates will be informed of the outcome in writing and provided with feedback from the assessment process.

6.9 The decision of the Senate on the awarding of the Fellowship will be final.

6.10 NUI has an Appeals Process in place to guarantee that the University has acted fairly and reasonably, and followed the appropriate steps in its selection process. Further details can be found on the NUI website.

7. Lodgement of Documents

7.1 Applications and associated documentation should be submitted in hard-copy to: The Registrar, National University of Ireland, 49 Merrion Square, Dublin 2, D02 V583. The envelope should also state the NUI award being applied for, i.e. Post-Doctoral Fellowship in the Sciences.

7.2 An electronic copy (word/ pdf format) of the application to include the documents listed in order below only must also be emailed to: awards@nui.ie

- Application Form
- Research Proposal (to include abstract)
- CV (including publication list)

7.3 The closing date for receipt of applications is 21 April 2017.

Section 2: Terms and Conditions of the Fellowship

8. Tenure and Conditions of Employment

The holder may elect to take up the Fellowship in any of the constituent universities or recognised colleges of NUI, subject to the concurrence of the Senate and the institution concerned. The Fellowship will be tenable by way of a fixed purpose contract between the Fellow and the NUI institution where the fellow is based. The fellow will be subject to the terms and conditions as set out in the fixed purpose contract. In addition, the fellow and their Head of Department will be required to provide six-monthly progress reports to NUI Senate, in order to adhere to the payment conditions attached to the Fellowship.

8.1 Hours of Work

The Fellowship is full-time, and the working time is that reasonably required to fulfil the duties of the post, in accordance with the terms of the fixed purpose contract, taking account of socially acceptable norms. The holder is not entitled to hold any other appointment or undertake any work, which in the opinion of the Senate, may impair or hamper the due discharge of the terms of the Fellowship.

8.2 Fellowship Payments

(i) Post-Doctoral Fellowship payments are subject to deduction of Taxation, Pension and all related statutory deductions at source, in accordance with the terms of the fixed purpose contract.

(ii) Payments are made in accordance with the terms of the fixed purpose contract with the NUI host institution. Specific details including date and method of payment will be as outlined in the fixed purpose contract with the NUI host institution.

8.3 Termination of Fellowship and Right of Appeal

Should the Senate determine that the conditions of the Fellowship are not being fulfilled satisfactorily, it shall reserve the right, on the recommendation of the NUI host institution, to terminate the Fellowship. In such circumstances, the holder of the Fellowship shall have a right of appeal in accordance with the terms of the fixed purpose contract with the NUI host institution.

9. Duties

The holder of the Fellowship will be required to complete a substantial piece of research and publish the results in book form, or as articles in refereed journals, with an acknowledgement of the support received from NUI. The fellow is required to give a commitment that he/she will participate in an event arranged by NUI with a view to communicating and disseminating the research outcomes of the Fellowship.

In addition, the holder will also be required to conduct a seminar in the Department/School to which he/she is assigned and/or within the NUI system, and on an occasional basis, to participate in the programmes on offer in the Department/School, subject to the conditions set out below.

10. Acknowledgement of NUI Support

The Fellow must acknowledge receipt of NUI support in all publicity relating to the research undertaken. The publicity may include but is not restricted to the following: public lectures, email signatures, letterheads, office signs, conferences, publications, monographs, media appearances, print, social media and online materials including e-mail signatures.

11. Responsibility to Head of Department/School

The holder of the Fellowship will be responsible to the Head of the Department/School in the NUI institution to which they are assigned, and thereafter to the NUI Senate. The holder will be required to report on the progress of their work to the Head of Department/School, or other designated authority in the institution to which they are attached. The Head of Department/School will be required to advise the Senate on the progress of the work.

12. Institutional Support

The Department/School will acknowledge the holder of the Fellowship as an independent investigator who will be assigned the resources and the normal facilities available to members of the academic staff in that Department/School. In applying for the Fellowship, candidates are required to indicate any specific facilities required for their research.

Regulations governing the Irish Historical Research Prize

The National University of Ireland is pleased to invite applications for the Irish Historical Research Prize, offered for competition in 2017.

1. Value of the Prize

The Prize, valued at €5,000, will be awarded for the best new work of Irish historical research, published as a sole publication by a graduate of the National University of Ireland.

2. Eligibility

2.1 Applicants will be graduates of the National University of Ireland, normally of doctoral status, and senior history scholars, well established in their field of expertise. They will have a substantial body of research that has been peer-reviewed and published widely both nationally and internationally.

2.2 Works eligible to be considered for the 2017 Prize will have been published in the period April 2014 to March 2017. Works previously entered for the Prize are not eligible for consideration.

2.3 The work submitted for this Prize should be substantial and must be of an original character indicating direct research in historical records.

3. Application Procedure

Application forms are available to download at www.nui.ie/awards and should be submitted with the following:

3.1 Six copies of the publication in hard-copy;

3.2 Curriculum Vitae: to include academic and other relevant achievements to date.

4. Selection Process

A panel of experts representing each of the constituent universities and chaired by the NUI Chancellor will make a recommendation to the Senate on the awarding of the Prize. The decision of the Senate will be final.

5. Lodgement of Documents

5.1 Applications should be submitted to: The Registrar, National University of Ireland, 49 Merrion Square, Dublin 2, D02 V583.

5.2 The closing date for receipt of applications is Friday, 28 April 2017.

It should be noted that publications submitted as entries for the competition will not be returned.

In circumstances where entry to this competition may be prohibitively expensive, the candidate is asked to contact the Registrar at awards@nui.ie

Regulations governing the Publication Prize in Irish History

The National University of Ireland is pleased to invite applications for the NUI Publication Prize in Irish History, offered for competition in 2017.

1. Value of the Prize

The Prize, valued at €3,000, will be awarded for the best new work of Irish historical research published as a first publication by a graduate of the National University of Ireland.

2. Eligibility

2.1 Applicants will be graduates of doctoral status (awarded no earlier than 1 January 2012), holding any degree of the National University of Ireland and will be established historians in their field of expertise.

2.2 Applications are welcome from members of staff of the constituent universities, Recognised Colleges or Colleges linked with a constituent university of NUI who fulfil the eligibility criteria.

2.3 Works eligible to be considered for the 2017 Prize will have been published as a first sole author book, following conferral of a doctoral degree on the applicant, in the period April 2014 to March 2017. Works previously entered for the Prize are not eligible for consideration.

2.4 The work submitted for this Prize should be substantial and must be of an original character indicating direct research in historical records.

3. Application Procedure

Application forms are available to download at www.nui.ie/awards and should be submitted with the following:

3.1 Six copies of the publication in hard-copy;

3.2 Curriculum Vitae: to include academic and other relevant achievements to date.

4. Selection Process

A Panel of experts representing each of the constituent universities and chaired by the NUI Chancellor will make a recommendation to the Senate on the awarding of the Prize. The decision of the Senate will be final.

5. Lodgement of Documents

5.1 Applications should be submitted to: The Registrar, National University of Ireland, 49 Merrion Square, Dublin 2, D02 V583.

5.2 The closing date for receipt of applications is Friday, 28 April 2017.

It should be noted that publications submitted as entries for the competition will not be returned.

In circumstances where entry to this competition may be prohibitively expensive, the candidate is asked to contact the Registrar at awards@nui.ie

Regulations Governing NUI Travelling Studentships

The National University of Ireland is pleased to invite applications for NUI Travelling Studentships offered for competition in 2017.

1. Travelling Studentship Scheme

The Studentships will be awarded on the basis of a common competition open to NUI graduates as follows:

1.1 Two Travelling Studentships will be allocated in all branches of the Humanities and Social Sciences, including but not limited to Business, Law, and Psychology.

1.2 Two Travelling Studentships will be allocated in all branches of the Sciences, including but not limited to Agricultural Science, Engineering, Architecture, Food Science and Technology, Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary Medicine, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, and Speech and Hearing Sciences.

1.3 One Travelling Studentship will be allocated in Economics, Politics and Social Policy in honour of the former Chancellor of NUI, Dr T K Whitaker.

2. Terms of a Travelling Studentship

A Studentship is tenable for up to four years.

3. Value of a Travelling Studentship

The maximum value of a full Studentship is €96,000 (i.e. €24,000 per annum for up to four years, to include a stipend of €16,000 and a contribution towards fees of up to a maximum of €8,000, where appropriate and on submission of fee payment receipts) to be paid in quarterly instalments. Where a recipient has other substantial funding, the Senate may take into account the value of the Studentship to be awarded (see section 6.3). All funding awarded by NUI must be used exclusively for the purposes of the Travelling Studentship.

4. Objectives

The Travelling Studentship Scheme, in existence since 1910, has as its main objectives:

- to encourage the most able students in the NUI federal system to pursue research;
- to enable these students to undertake postgraduate research abroad, in the most reputable universities, towards a doctoral degree, or
- to enable students registered in NUI institutions participating in international partnerships to undertake substantial research periods overseas as part of their doctoral studies;
- to attract these scholars back to enrich the learning community within NUI.

5. Eligibility Criteria

5.1. To be eligible to apply for an NUI Travelling Studentship, candidates must be holders of an honours bachelors degree (placed in the NFAQ: Level 8) and be graduates of the National University of Ireland holding any degree (i.e. Bachelors or Masters degrees) from an NUI Constituent University, Recognised College or a College linked to a Constituent University in the relevant discipline in which they wish to apply.

5.2. In addition to 5.1 above, candidates applying for a Travelling Studentship in the Humanities and Social Sciences (or the Travelling Studentship in Economics, Politics and Social Policy) must have obtained First Class Honours in the honours bachelors degree as a whole or in a subject/specialisation of the degree, or First Class Honours in a taught masters degree, or have been awarded a masters degree by research.

5.3. In addition to 5.1 above, candidates applying for a Travelling Studentship in the Sciences must have obtained First Class Honours in the honours bachelors degree as a whole or in a subject/specialisation of the degree, or First Class Honours in a taught masters degree, or have been awarded a masters degree by research. The following exception applies: graduates of the MB BCh BAO and BDS must have obtained Second Class Honours in the honours bachelor degree or Second Class Honours in a taught masters degree or have been awarded a masters degree by research.

5.4. Candidates who have commenced doctoral degrees must be at an early stage of their studies.

5.5. From 2017 onwards, applications will only be accepted on one further occasion from previously unsuccessful candidates.

5.6. Previously unsuccessful candidates must include a separate statement with their application detailing the changes made to the research proposal. It is expected that these changes would have taken account of (but are not limited to) the feedback provided by the subject specialists on the research proposal included in the original application.

5.7. Full-time members of staff of the NUI constituent universities, other NUI member institutions, or other higher education institutions are not eligible to apply for these awards.

5.8. Previous recipients of full NUI Travelling Studentships or the NUI E J Phelan Fellowship in International Law are not eligible to apply.

6. General Conditions of Tenure of a Travelling Studentship

6.1 Conduct of Research in Approved Venue

A Studentship will be held upon the condition that the recipient during each year of their tenure thereof apply themselves to research in the subject area in which they obtain a Studentship, or in some cognate line of research approved by Senate. Such research shall be pursued wholly or partly outside Ireland in such places as the Senate may direct, and under the direction of a Professor/Director of a University or of some other person selected by the recipient and approved by the Senate, or by such authority as the Senate may direct.

6.2 Six-Monthly Reports

Holders of Studentships are required to submit a report every six months from the Professor/Director under whom they are studying, confirming that they are satisfactorily pursuing the research work of their Studentships. Further payment of Studentship instalments may be withheld, if the Senate considers such a report unsatisfactory. NUI will provide a report form for this purpose.

6.3 Studentship Recipient Who Has Other Funding

Where the recipient of a Travelling Studentship is also in receipt of funding from another source(s) in this or any other university or institution, details should be included with the application, or, where appropriate, made known in advance of the interview. NUI should be made aware of funding sources and amounts as they are offered to a candidate throughout the duration of the application process. Where the value of such other funding is substantial, this may be taken into account by the Senate when awarding the Travelling Studentship and a lower amount than noted as a full Travelling Studentship above may be awarded.

6.4 Taxation

6.4.1 Successful applicants are required to complete the Irish Revenue Scholarship Exemption Declaration Form, which is retained on file by the National University of Ireland for Revenue review if required.

6.4.2 Applicants are invited to seek Revenue clarification in relation to compliance with Irish laws and regulations on taxation if required.

6.4.3 Regulations were signed on 10th June 2011 that require Government Departments, all bodies established under statute and any other body which is involved in the disbursement of public funds to make annual returns to Revenue providing details of all payments made in each calendar year, subject to certain conditions. The legislation that allowed for these regulations to be made is Section 891B Taxes Consolidation Act 1997. Travelling Studentships and other similar payments are subject to these provisions and accordingly are returned to Revenue on an annual basis.

6.5 Postponement of Tenure

In special circumstances, the Senate may consider an application from the recipient of a Travelling Studentship for the postponement of the tenure of his/her Studentship, for a period of not more than one year. Such applications must be accompanied by a letter from the Professor/Head of Department/School in the university where the recipient is registered for the doctoral degree recommending the postponement.

6.6 Power to Withdraw and Right of Appeal

The Senate shall have power to withdraw the award of a Studentship if, in the opinion of the Senate, the recipient was guilty of any misconduct in connection with any examination for, or used unfair means to obtain the award of any such Studentship, or otherwise fails to adhere to the General Conditions as outlined above. In such circumstances, the holder of the Studentship shall have a right of appeal to the NUI Registrar who shall refer the appeal to an independent third party.

6.7 Acknowledgement of NUI Support

The recipient of a Travelling Studentship must acknowledge receipt of NUI support in all publicity relating to the research undertaken. The publicity may include but is not restricted to the following: public lectures, conferences, publications, monographs, print, social media and online materials including e-mail signatures.

7. Application Procedure

Application forms are available to download at www.nui.ie/awards and should be submitted with the following documentation:

7.1 Research Proposal: Candidates are required to submit a proposal concerning the research they propose to undertake during the tenure of the Studentship.

7.1.1 The Research Proposal should give details of:

- the proposed topic of the research;
- the proposed nature, scope and methodology of the research;
- the relevance and importance of the study;
- a preliminary literature review;
- where the research will be carried out, and should specify other investigators involved in the research, where relevant;
- the proposed duration of the research

7.1.2 The research proposal should be no more than 5000 words for applications in the Humanities and Social Sciences and 2000 words in the Sciences and Mathematics.

7.1.3 Candidates are advised to consult either (i) their supervisor or (ii) the Professor/Head of the relevant Department/School in advance concerning their proposal.

7.2 Abstract of Research Proposal: Candidates are required to submit a short abstract of the research proposal (max. 200 words).

To note: the abstract will be included in the invitation to prospective independent subject specialists asking them to review the research proposal.

7.3 Personal Statement (to be no more than 400 words): The personal statement will complement the formal academic documentation submitted with the application and should provide the Interview Panel with a deeper knowledge of the formative experiences, ambitions, goals and motivations of candidates invited to interview.

7.4 Curriculum Vitae: to include academic and other relevant achievements to date.

7.5 Certified Academic Transcripts: to be submitted for each degree and diploma awarded.

7.6 Reports of Two Academic Referees: a specific NUI report form (available at www.nui.ie/awards) is to be completed by the referee(s) and (i) returned to the candidate in a sealed envelope or (ii) emailed directly to awards@nui.ie. It is the responsibility of the candidate to ensure that the references are submitted to NUI by their referees by the closing date. If references are not submitted by the closing date, a candidate's application may be deemed ineligible for consideration.

8. Selection Process

8.1 The NUI Registrar and designated NUI staff will administer the competition for the Travelling Studentships.

8.2 A shortlisting process will apply and shortlisted candidates will be invited to attend for interview.

8.3 Two independent subject specialists will assess the research proposal of each candidate. The reports of the subject specialists will be made available to the NUI Registrar and will inform the decision on the shortlisting of candidates for interview.

8.4 Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed by a Selection Panel to be appointed by NUI.

8.5 Two Selection Panels are convened to interview shortlisted candidates for the Studentships, i.e. one panel for the Humanities and Social Sciences and one for the Sciences. The Panels consist of NUI Heads/Deans/Principals of the Faculties/Schools/Colleges, or their representatives, from each of the constituent universities and are chaired by an independent specialist. Additional expert(s) may be invited by NUI to sit on a Panel, if required.

8.6 The full application and subject specialist reports for each shortlisted candidate will be made available to the relevant Selection Panel in advance of the interviews.

8.7 Following the interviews, each Selection Panel will finalise their recommendations to the NUI Registrar on the awarding of the Studentships. The NUI Registrar will inform the successful candidates in writing of the Senate's decision regarding the awarding of the Studentships.

8.8 Candidates whose applications are unsuccessful will be informed of the outcome in writing and offered feedback on the assessment of their application.

8.9 The decision of the Senate on the awarding of the Studentships will be final.

8.10 NUI has an Appeals Process in place to guarantee that the University has acted fairly and reasonably, and followed the appropriate steps in its selection process. Further details can be found on the NUI website.

9. Lodgement of Documents

9.1 Applications and associated documentation should be submitted in hard-copy to: The Registrar, National University of Ireland, 49 Merrion Square, Dublin 2, D02 V583. The envelope should state the NUI award being applied for, i.e. Travelling Studentships.

9.2 An electronic copy of the Research Proposal and Abstract (word format) must also be emailed to: awards@nui.ie.

9.3 The closing date for receipt of applications is **Friday, 31 March 2017**.

Regulations governing the NUI Dr Mary L Thornton Scholarship in Education

The National University of Ireland is pleased to invite applications for the Dr Mary L Thornton Scholarship, offered for competition in 2017. The Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of a common competition open to NUI graduates. The Dr Mary L Thornton Scholarship is an annual scholarship in Education, funded by a bequest from the late Dr Thornton.

1. Value of Fellowship

The value of the Scholarship is €5,000

2. Objectives

This Scholarship is intended to encourage postgraduate research in the field of Education in a constituent university, Recognised College or a College linked with a constituent university of NUI. The University would wish, through the scholarship, to encourage research related to Irish higher education and accordingly, preference will be given to applications in this area. However, applications will be accepted in relation to projects in any area of educational research.

3. Eligibility

3.1 Candidates must be graduates, holding any degree of the National University of Ireland (i.e. Bachelors or Masters degrees) and must have been accepted, or have applied for admission, to a research degree at doctoral level in the field of Education in a constituent university or recognised college or college linked with a constituent university of NUI.

3.2 Candidates who previously submitted an application for this scholarship and were unsuccessful may only re-apply on one further occasion.

4. Application Procedure

Application forms are available to download at www.nui.ie/awards and should be submitted with the following documentation:

4.1 Research Proposal: Candidates are required to submit a detailed statement (max. 3,000 words) concerning the research which they propose to undertake during the tenure of the Scholarship.

The statement should include:

- the proposed topic of the research;
- the proposed nature, scope and methodology of the research;
- a preliminary literature review;
- where the research will be conducted and reasons for choosing that centre.

4.2 Curriculum Vitae: to include academic and other relevant achievements to date.

4.3 Certified Academic Transcripts: to be submitted for each degree and diploma awarded.

4.4 Reports of Two Academic Referees: a specific NUI report form (available at www.nui.ie/awards) is to be completed by the referee(s) and (i) returned to the candidate in a sealed envelope or (ii) emailed directly to awards@nui.ie. It is the responsibility of the candidate to ensure that the references are submitted to NUI by their referees by the closing date. If references are not submitted by the closing date, a candidate's application may be deemed ineligible for consideration.

5. Selection Process

5.1 The NUI Registrar and designated NUI staff will administer the competition for the Dr Mary L Thornton Scholarship in Education.

5.2 Depending on the number of applications, a shortlisting process may be adopted, in which case not all candidates will be called for interview.

5.3 Where a shortlisting process is adopted, two independent subject specialists will assess the research proposal of each candidate. The reports of the subject specialists will be made available to the NUI Registrar and will inform the decision on the shortlisting of candidates for interview.

5.4 Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed by a Selection Panel to be appointed by NUI.

5.5 The Selection Panel will consist of the Heads of Departments/Schools in Education, or their representatives, from each of the constituent universities and will be chaired by an independent specialist. Additional expert(s) may be invited by NUI to sit on a Panel, if required.

5.6 The full application and subject specialist reports (where a shortlisting process is adopted) for each shortlisted candidate will be made available to the Selection Panel in advance of the interviews.

5.7 Following the interviews, the Selection Panel will finalise its recommendations to the NUI Registrar on the awarding of the Scholarship. The NUI Registrar will inform the successful candidate in writing of the Senate's decision regarding the awarding of the Scholarship.

5.8 Candidates whose applications are unsuccessful will be informed of the outcome in writing and offered feedback on the assessment of their application (where applicable).

5.9 The decision of the Senate on the awarding of the Studentships will be final.

5.10 NUI has an Appeals Process in place to guarantee that the University has acted fairly and reasonably, and followed the appropriate steps in its selection process. Further details can be found on the NUI website.

5.11 The candidate who is awarded the Scholarship will be required to present one copy of the completed research to the National University of Ireland.

6. Lodgement of Documents

6.1 Applications and associated documentation should be submitted in hard-copy to: The Registrar, National University of Ireland, 49 Merrion Square, Dublin 2, D02 V583. The envelope should state the NUI award being applied for, i.e. Dr Mary L Thornton Scholarship.

6.2 An electronic copy of the Research Proposal (word format) must also be emailed to: awards@nui.ie.

6.3 The closing date for receipt of applications is **Friday, 31 March 2017**.

Regulations governing Grants toward Scholarly Publication

The NUI Publications Scheme aims to support and encourage publications and scholarly research by academic staff in the constituent universities, Recognised Colleges or Colleges linked with a constituent university of the National University of Ireland. The Scheme seeks to promote the highest standards of excellence in academic publishing, based on peer review and critical reading of texts prior to publication.

Under the scheme, approximately €40,000 will be made available in 2017 for individual grants of up to €3,000 each, which may be awarded following the Senate's consideration and approval of recommendations submitted by the NUI Publications Committee. This Committee considers applications at its meetings in June and December.

The Regulations under which the scheme is operated are set out below.

1. Regulations

1.1 Members of staff, both full-time and part-time, of the constituent universities, Recognised Colleges or Colleges linked with a constituent university of NUI and post-doctoral fellows are eligible to apply under the Scheme.

1.2 The main purpose of the grants is to enable writers to secure publication which would otherwise entail undue personal expenditure.

1.3 The Scheme is administered by the NUI Publications Committee appointed by the Senate.

1.4 The Committee will make its recommendations concerning grant applications to the Senate following consideration of:

- the literary or scientific value of the work;
- the cost of publication and;
- the writer's opportunities of securing alternative means of, or aid towards, publication.

In addition, the following general guidelines will normally apply:

- grants will not be paid for publications considered to be commercially viable;
- grants will not be provided for research or travel;
- grants will not be paid for page charges for journal articles or for reprints of articles;
- grants will not be paid for rights payments;
- grants will not be paid for self-publication; preference will be given to publications by reputable national and international publishers;
- grants will not be paid retrospectively;
- grants are not intended to provide full cost recovery but to contribute towards the total cost of publishing.

The Committee will deal directly with writers and the Committee's grant may be made subject to specified conditions, or may be given in the form of a guarantee. The Committee reserves the right to consult an independent assessor concerning any application. Grant approvals are valid for a period of five years from the date of the Senate meeting at which they have been approved. After that period, a further application to NUI will be necessary.

2. Lodgement of Documents

The following documentation must be included with the application.

2.1 A short summary of the scope and content of the work together with a statement as to its approximate length;

2.2 Evidence that in the process of publication, the work will have been subject to a expert critical evaluation and that the final text will reflect any changes resulting from that evaluation. Accordingly, applicants (or their publishers) are required to present at least one, but preferably two, reader's reports on the work in question. The reader must be independent: a report from a Departmental colleague will not be accepted. The Committee reserves the right to consult an independent assessor or assessors concerning any application;

2.3 A statement from the publisher indicating a commitment to publish the work and setting out the detailed costs of publication.

2.4 Closing Dates: Applications should be submitted to the Registrar, NUI, 49 Merrion Square, Dublin 2, D02 V583 by:

1 June 2017

1 December 2017

2.5 Application forms are available to download at www.nui.ie/awards or email: registrar@nui.ie



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