

<u>Information on Postgraduate Research Scholarship - Ref: FS-FLAS-03-2025-2</u>			
Faculty:	FLAS	Department:	School of Humanities and Social Sciences
Lead Supervisor:	Dr Hannah Young		
Project Title:	De-colonising Maritime Greenwich: Confronting histories and legacies of empire, c. 1694-2025		
Project Description:	<p>Since at least the seventeenth century ‘Maritime Greenwich’ has been profoundly shaped by Britain’s colonial and imperial engagements and their legacies. From naval dockyards and mercantile wharves, through flourishing networks of mariners, merchants and investors to the globalised, racially and ethnically diverse communities of the present, the places and people of Greenwich bear the imprint of empire. This project will harness these rich, complex and sometimes troubling histories to assess how the local and the global made Greenwich, and to explore how Greenwich is confronting the legacies of empire and debates around decolonisation.</p> <p>Applicants should formulate their own proposal to interrogate how empire shaped, and continues to shape, the Royal Borough and its inhabitants. Possible themes for exploration could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colonial wealth, enslavement and Maritime Greenwich • Navy, power and empire • Space, place and time on the imperial meridian • Imperial bodies: race, gender, class, disability • Material culture and the buildings of empire • Migration, mobility and the makings of Greenwich • Imperial heritage and the afterlives of empire <p>We particularly welcome applications which harness our unique location and networks, including projects which involve in partnership working with public and community organisations and institutions. In addition to the rich archival holdings at the Royal Greenwich Heritage Trust, the Caird Library and Archive and the National Archives, applicants are encouraged to engage with Greenwich’s built environment and visual and material culture, as well as with community and heritage organisations based around the borough, including Charlton House, Severndroog Castle, the Migration Museum, and MoSaF (Memorial of Slavery and Freedom), Deptford.</p>		
Duration:	3 years, Full-Time Study or 6 years, Part-Time Study		

Bursary available (subject to satisfactory performance):

Year 1: £19,237 (FT) or pro-rata (PT) Year 2: In line with UKRI rate Year 3: In line with UKRI rate.

In addition, the successful candidate will receive a contribution to tuition fees equivalent to the university's Home rate, currently £4,712* (FT) or pro-rata (PT), for the duration of their scholarship. International applicants will need to pay the remainder tuition fee for the duration of their scholarship.

* This fee is subject to an annual increase.

Person Specification of Essential (E) or Desirable (D) requirements:

Criteria:	E or D
<i>Education and Training:</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st Class or 2nd class, First Division (Upper Second Class) honours degree or a taught master's degree with a minimum average of 60% in all areas of assessment (UK or UK equivalent) in a relevant area to the proposed research project, e.g. history, public history, heritage studies, sociology. 	E
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For those whose first language is not English and/or if from a country where English is not the majority spoken language (as recognised by the UKBA), a language proficiency score of at least IELTS 6.5 (in all elements of the test) or an equivalent UK VISA and Immigration secure English Language Test is required. If your programme falls within the faculty of Engineering and Science a language proficiency score of at least IELTS 6.5 overall with a minimum of 6.0 in all elements of the test or an equivalent UK VISA and Immigration secure English Language Test is required. Unless the degree above was taught in English and obtained in a majority English speaking country, e.g. UK, USA, Australia, New Zealand, etc, as recognised by the UKBA. 	E
<i>Experience & Skills:</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Previous experience of undertaking research (e.g. undergraduate or taught master's dissertation) 	E
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strong background in conducting archival and/or qualitative research, and preferably experience of collaborative and/or participatory research 	D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Experience of carrying out research with people who experience marginalisation; 	D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Experience of working with a range of different project stakeholders 	D
<i>Personal Attributes:</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understands the fundamental differences between a taught degree and a research degree in terms of approach and personal discipline/motivation 	E
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Able, under guidance, to complete independent research and synthesis successfully 	E
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Able to communicate effectively across a range of different platforms, to a variety of audiences 	D
<i>Other Requirements:</i>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none">This scholarship may require Academic Technology Approval Scheme approval for the successful candidate if from outside of the EU/EEA		E
<ul style="list-style-type: none">The scholarship will commence from September 2025		E
Closing date for applications:	16 May 2025	
For further information contact:	Dr Hannah Young (H.L.Young@Greenwich.ac.uk)	
Making an application: <p>Please read this information before making an application. Information on the application process is available at: https://www.gre.ac.uk/research/study/apply/application-process. Applications need to be made online via this link. No other form of application will be considered.</p> <p>All applications must include the following information. Applications not containing these documents will not be considered.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Scholarship Reference Number (FS-FLAS-03-2025-2)– included in the personal statement section together with your personal statement as to why you are applyinga research proposal of c. 1500 words outlining your project and how it relates to the topic above * Applying for a PhD What is a Research Proposal - YouTubea CV including contact details for two referees *academic qualification certificates/transcripts and IELTS/English Language certificate if you are an international applicant or if English is not your first language or you are from a country where English is not the majority spoken language as defined by the UK Border Agency * <p><i>* Your research proposal and CV, including contact details for two referees, should be uploaded to the ‘Qualifications’ section of the application form. Attachments must be in PDF format.</i></p> <p>Before submitting your application, you are strongly encouraged to discuss your proposal with the lead supervisor, Dr Hannah Young (H.L.Young@Greenwich.ac.uk).</p>		