Information on Postgraduate Research Scholarship - Ref: FS-FLAS-03-2025-1			
Faculty:	Liberal Arts and Sciences	**Department:**	School of Humanities and Social Sciences
Lead Supervisor:	TBC – applicants should identify their preferred supervisor in their application.		
Project Title:	The Maynard History Scholarship		
Project Description:	The Maynard History Scholarship will enable an outstanding candidate to pursue an original doctoral research project which connects with the research interests and expertise of the university's History team.		

(Project Description continued:)

This three-year, fully funded PhD scholarship provides a fee waiver to the value of the full-time Home tuition rate (currently £4,712.00 p/a) and a bursary at the UKRI rate (currently £19,237 p/a). Additional funding will be available to support travel and research expenses including, where appropriate, extended work in international archives. Subject to satisfactory progress, financial support will also be available to provide for a 'writing-up period' following the conclusion of the scholarship.

The History group is located in the School of Humanities and Social Sciences in the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Our research work is supported by the Centre for Research in Language and Heritage and the Institute for Inclusive Communities and Environments. Our interests are diverse, spanning social, cultural, environmental, imperial and global histories from the early modern to the contemporary world.

We will welcome original and innovative proposals which build on and extend our areas of expertise, and especially those which address marginalised and neglected histories. The successful candidate will be supervised by one or more members of the History team, and applicants are encouraged to discuss proposals with prospective supervisors prior to submission. For more information on the university, the History group and our research, please see: https://www.gre.ac.uk/disciplines/history

For general enquiries about the scholarship, please contact: Dr Michael Talbot, m.h.talbot@gre.ac.uk.

We are especially keen to receive applications from black and minority ethnic candidates as they are under-represented in the field of History. Applications from members of groups marginalized on any grounds enumerated under the Equality Act are also particularly welcome.

Duration:	Initially 3 years (Full-Time Study). Subject to satisfactory progress, an extension may be available to support a 'writing up period' following the conclusion of the initial scholarship.

Bursary available (subject to satisfactory performance):
- Year 1: £19,237 (FT)
- Year 2: In line with UKRI rate
- Year 3: In line with UKRI rate
- + Writing up period (subject to satisfactory progress): In line with UKRI rate

In addition, the successful candidate will receive a full fee waiver, equivalent to the value of Home tuition fees, for the duration of their scholarship.

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

Criteria:	E or D
Education and Training:	
• 1st Class or 2nd class, First Division (Upper Second Class) honours degree and a taught master's degree with a minimum average of 60% in all areas of assessment (UK or UK equivalent) in a subject relevant to the proposed research project.	E
• 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
Experience & Skills:	
• Previous experience of undertaking research (e.g. undergraduate or taught master's dissertation)	E
• Strong background in conducting historical research in an area relevant to the proposed topic	D
Personal Attributes:	
• Understands the fundamental differences between a taught degree and a research degree in terms of approach and personal discipline/motivation	E
• Able to, under guidance, complete independent work successfully	E
• Able to communicate effectively across various platforms and to a variety of different audiences	E
Other Requirements:	
• This scholarship may require Academic Technology Approval Scheme approval for the successful candidate if from outside of the EU/EEA	E
• The scholarship will commence from 1 September 2025, or thereafter	E

Closing date for applications:	*midnight UTC on 16 May 2025*
For further information contact:	Dr Michael Talbot, m.h.talbot@gre.ac.uk

Making an application:
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**.

All applications **must include** the following information. **Applications not containing these documents will not be considered.**
- **Scholarship Reference Number (FS-FLAS-03-2025-1)** – included in the personal statement section together with your personal statement as to why you are applying
- a **Research Proposal, of c. 1500 words**, outlining your project, the proposed supervisor(s) and how it relates to our work*
- **a 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***

Your research proposal and CV, including contact details for two referees, should be uploaded to the 'Qualifications' section of the online application form. Attachments must be in PDF format.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to liaise with the proposed supervisor to ensure application is complete before submission.

February 2025