The University of Sydney Coleman-Hilton Scholarship at the British School at Rome

Terms and Conditions
March 2018

1. Background

a. Established in 2012, this travel Scholarship has been generously donated by Mr Jeffrey Hilton and Ms Suzanne Coleman to enable an outstanding postgraduate student in the Department of Classics and Ancient History to focus on a concentrated period of research whilst in residency at the British School at Rome (BSR).

2. Eligibility

a. To be eligible for the Scholarship, applicants must be an Australian Citizen or Australian Permanent Resident.

b. Applicants must be in enrolled full-time in a Doctor of Philosophy in the Department of Classics and Ancient History at the University of Sydney, and should be in their penultimate or final year of studies.

c. Applicants are to be engaged in archaeological, historical, or literary research on some aspect of the Roman Empire up until AD 476.

3. Selection Criteria

a. The Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of:
   I. demonstrated academic excellence,
   II. established research direction,
   III. presentation of a well-articulated high-quality research plan, and
   IV. capacity for future influence and leadership.

b. Applicants will submit a written research brief and samples of their work. They should be able to clearly demonstrate the value of this Scholarship to their personal career and goals and how they will benefit from and contribute to the vibrant residential community of artists and scholars at the BSR.

c. The Scholarship will be awarded by the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences or their nominated delegates following consideration on the recommendation of:
   a. a selection committee consisting of members of the Department of Classics and Ancient History, and
   b. if necessary, Director of the BSR or their representative.

4. Value

a. The Scholarship is valued at $42,000 and is tenable for six months only. It is intended to:
   I. pay for residential costs and tuition fees at BSR. This covers board, lodging, administration and also contributes towards the costs of the full programme of lectures, events and visits offered by the BSR to all of its residents,
   II. cover the cost of a return economy airfare from Sydney to Rome,
   III. cover the cost of obtaining an Italian visa, and
The University of Sydney Coleman-Hilton Scholarship at the British School at Rome

IV. provide a lump sum payment from any remaining funds to the successful recipient.

b. The Scholarship value will be paid:
   I. Direct to the BSR on receipt of invoices for residential costs and tuition fees,
   II. Direct to the successful recipient on receipt of invoices of return economy airfare from Sydney to Roma and Italian visa cost, and
   III. Direct to the successful recipient in a lump sum payment of any remaining funds (once 4.b.I and 4.b.II have been confirmed).

c. Deferral of the Scholarship is not permitted without the prior permission of Dean of Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences and it is not transferable to another faculty or university.

d. The recipient may be required to refund all or part of the scholarship if they discontinue or suspend their candidature, or fail to complete the intended study at the BSR.

e. The Scholarship will be offered subject to the availability of funds.

f. No other amount is payable.

g. The Selection Committee has the discretion not to award the scholarship if there is no applicant of sufficient merit.

5. Ongoing eligibility

a. To continue receipt of the Scholarship, the recipient:
   I. must commit to full-time residency at the BSR for the entire period of the award, with occasional travel as necessary for research, and
   II. is encouraged to fully participate in the resident community at the BSR, and to avail themselves of the unique interdisciplinary lecture programme offered there.

b. Recipients undertaking an exchange during the tenure of this Scholarship are required to have achieved a Satisfied Requirements grade (SR) to receive their next payment.

6. Termination

a. The Scholarship will be terminated if the recipient:
   I. withdraws from an eligible course or fails to enrol,
   II. suspends their candidature, discontinues or withdraws from Doctor of Philosophy in the Department of Classics and Ancient History at the University of Sydney,
   III. fails to complete the intended study at the BSR,
   IV. commences part-time study without prior approval,
   V. does not maintain satisfactory academic performance,
   VI. is determined by the University to be guilty of serious misconduct, including, but not limited to, having provided false or misleading information as part of their Scholarship application,
   VII. is awarded an alternative primary scholarship. In such circumstances this scholarship will be terminated in favour of the alternative scholarship where the alternative scholarship is of higher value,
The University of Sydney Coleman-Hilton Scholarship at the British School at Rome

VIII. does not resume study at the end of a period of approved leave, or
IX. any other provision as indicated in these terms that would lead to termination.

b. Once the Scholarship has been terminated, it will not be reinstated.

c. Where a student is found guilty of serious misconduct or withdraws from the relevant course, the University reserves the right to request that any Scholarship funds paid to the Scholarship recipient be reimbursed.

d. The terms and conditions of the scholarship may be varied in such manner as the Senate of the University of Sydney, or such other body delegated by the Senate, shall determine provided that the objectives of the award and the special selection criteria stated in Clause 3a above are preserved.

7. Reporting

a. The recipient of this scholarship is required to provide a brief report to the Chair of Department of Classics and Ancient History at the conclusion of the residency, summarizing their work while resident. The BSR may also request a report and a brief statement for possible inclusion in the research reports section of Papers of the BSR.