



Ollscoil na hÉireann
National University of Ireland

NUI AWARDS 2009

TRAVELLING STUDENTSHIPS

SCHOLARSHIPS

PRIZES

and

OTHER AWARDS

This booklet provides information on the range of NUI awards offered for competition in 2009 amongst students and graduates of the NUI Constituent Universities and Recognised Colleges.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Application Forms

Application Forms, where required, are available at Faculty/Departmental offices, at the NUI office and may also be downloaded from the NUI website. It should be noted that for some NUI Awards, (e.g. the Dr H H Stewart Scholarships) students will be eligible automatically and in such cases there are no special application procedures or entry requirements.

Enquiries

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PART ONE: AWARDS ON OFFER IN 2009

1. NUI AWARDS FOR SENIOR SCHOLARS

1.1 Irish Historical Research Prize: €5,000

- This Prize is offered in alternate years for the best 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 2009 Prize will have been published in the period April 2006 - March 2009. Works previously entered for the Prize are not eligible for consideration.
- The decision on the award of the Prize will be made by the Senate on the recommendation of a panel of experts.
- Applicants are required to submit **five** copies of their publication along with the completed application form. It should be noted that publications submitted as entries for the competition will not be returned.
- Application forms may be downloaded at www.nui.ie/awards/ihrp.asp and are also available from the Registrar, National University of Ireland, 49 Merrion Square, Dublin 2 (tel: 01-4392424; fax 01-4392470; email: awards@nui.ie).
- **Closing date for receipt of applications:
Monday 6th April 2009**

2. NUI AWARDS FOR GRADUATES

- The following awards are available to graduates of the University:
- Travelling Studentships
- The Denis Phelan Scholarships and Prizes
- Dr Mary L Thornton Scholarship in Education
- Scoláireacht agus Duais Chiste Theach Árd Mhéara i nGaeilge / Mansion House Scholarship and Prize in Irish
- Mansion House Scholarship and Prize in Irish History
- Pierce Malone Scholarships in Engineering and in Philosophy
- The French Government Medals and Prizes for Proficiency in French.

2.1 **NUI Travelling Studentships** (€42,000, i.e. €14,000 per annum, for three years)

The NUI Travelling Studentship Scheme, funded by the University from its own resources has been in existence since 1910, continuing 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, and
- eventually, to attract these scholars back to enrich the learning community within NUI.
- While, traditionally, it has been the practice that holders of Travelling Studentships should be registered abroad for their studies, it is also permissible for the holder of a Travelling Studentship to register in an NUI institution and complete a doctorate within NUI, where the research programme involves a substantial period or periods abroad. Six Travelling Studentships will be offered in 2009, on the basis of a common competition open to graduates, as follows:

2.1(i) Four Travelling Studentships are allocated to the Humanities and Social Sciences and are open to graduates in all branches of the Humanities and Social Sciences.

2.1(ii) Two Travelling Studentships are allocated to the Sciences, and are open to graduates in all branches of the Sciences.

Regulations, conditions and application procedures are set out in Appendix 5, page 35

The closing date for entries is Friday 24th April 2009.

2.2 **NUI Denis Phelan Scholarship (€14,000)**

The Denis Phelan Scholarship is funded by the NUI Robemakers, Phelan Conan Limited. In 2009 this scholarship will be awarded in connection with the Travelling Studentship competitions and will fund a doctoral student for one year. Students entering the Travelling Studentship competitions in the Humanities and Social Sciences and in the Sciences are automatically eligible for consideration.

There are no special application procedures or entry requirements.

APPENDIX 5

General Regulations governing Travelling Studentships

In 2009, six Travelling Studentships will be placed on offer for competition amongst holders of primary degrees of the National University of Ireland, as follows: four will be allocated to the Humanities and Social Sciences and will be open to graduates in all branches of the Humanities and Social Sciences. Two will be allocated to the Sciences and will be open to graduates in all branches of the Sciences, as defined in the regulations for the competition. NUI Travelling Studentships are tenable for three years.

Objectives of the NUI Travelling Studentship Scheme

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.

While traditionally, it has been the practice that holders of Travelling Studentships registered abroad during their Travelling Studentships, it is also permissible for the holder of a Travelling Studentship to register in an NUI institution and complete a doctorate within NUI, where the research programme will involve a substantial period or periods of research abroad.

Eligibility

Candidates applying for Travelling Studentships must have obtained their primary degree in the National University of Ireland. See the individual rubrics for the two competitions for eligibility details governing the Travelling Studentships on offer in 2009.

Value of a Travelling Studentship

€42,000 (i.e. €14,000 per annum, paid in quarterly instalments, over three years).

Entry Procedures for Travelling Studentship Competitions

Application forms are available from the Registrar, National University of Ireland, 49 Merrion Square, Dublin 2, or may be downloaded from www.nui.ie.

General Conditions of Tenure

(i) *Conduct of research in approved venue*

Each Studentship will be held upon the condition that the recipients 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.

(ii) *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, unless the Senate considers such a report satisfactory

(iii) *Postponement* 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. Such applications must be recommended by the relevant NUI Professor concerned.

(iv) *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. Where the value of such other funding is substantial, this may be taken into account by the Senate in the awarding of the Travelling Studentship.

(v) *Power to withdraw*

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.

Closing date for Applications

Travelling Studentship in the Humanities and Social Sciences: Friday 24th April 2009

Travelling Studentship in the Sciences: Friday 24th April 2009

APPENDIX 9

Recipients of NUI Awards 2008

SPECIAL NUI CENTENNIAL AWARDS

NUI Centennial Prize for Irish History (€5,000)

Owen McGee, BA PhD (UCD)

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

NUI Centennial Prizes for Academic Publishing in Medical and Health Sciences (€5,000)

Professor Paul Moynagh, Institute of Immunology at NUI, Maynooth

Dr John J. O'Connell, Department of Medicine in University College Cork.

NUI AWARDS CEREMONY 2008

On Wednesday 12th November, at an annual ceremony in the Royal Hospital Kilmainham, Dublin, the Chancellor, Dr Garret FitzGerald, presented awards to over a hundred students/graduates of the Constituent Universities and Recognised Colleges of the National University of Ireland.

NUI E J Phelan Postgraduate Fellowship in International Law

Mairead Enright BCL

UCC

Travelling Studentships in the Humanities and Social Sciences

Paul Brady	Constitutional Theory and Philosophy of Law	UCD
Cian Mattijs Bryan BA Hons	Social and Political Theory	NUIG
Daniel Deasy Liam BA Hons MA	Philosophy	UCC
Katy Dineen BA Hons MA	Political Theory	UCC
Julie Marie Finnerty BA	French	NUIM
Stephen Terence Edward Graham BA Hons BMus Hons	Contemporary Music	UCD
William Ian Magee BA Hons MA	Archaeology	UCC
Cornelia Annette Nell BA Hons	Social Anthropology	NUIM
Abaigéal Mhuire Warfield BA Hons	History	NUIM

Travelling Studentships in the Sciences

Paul Francis Browne BSc Hons	Astronomy	NUIG
Fiona Valerie Foley BSc Hons	Geochemistry	UCC
Eoin Ronan Hyde BSc Hons	Life and Political Sciences	UCC
Alice Lynch BSc Hons	Physics	UCD
Nicolas Niall Madigan MB BCh BAO	Medical Neuroscience	NUIG
Ross McKiernan BSc BSc Hons	Anatomy	UCD
Thomas John Gerard Quirke BSc Hons	Zoology	UCC

The Dr Mary I Thornton Scholarship in Education

Michael Delargey

UCC

The NUI Denis Phelan Scholarships and Prizes

Conor Patrick O'Brien BA Hons	English, Scholarship	UCC
Michael John Gallen BA Hons	English, 2nd Prize	NUIM
Brian Gerard Kearney BA Hons	English, 3rd Prize	NUIG
David Michael O'Regan BSc Hons	Finance, Scholarship	UCC
Caroline Carew BSc Hons	Finance, 2nd Prize	UCC
Maria Therese Doyle BA Hons	Finance, 3rd prize	NUIM
Aisling Martina Frizzell BSc Hons	Life & Environmental Sciences, Scholarship	NUIM
Stephen John Casey BSc Hons	Physical Sciences, Scholarship	UCC