Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

The Dr Thomas J Moran Travel Scholarships

The Dr Thomas J Moran Scholarships were set up in 2018 by the Irish American Partnership to honour Dr Thomas J Moran. These awards are intended to assist with travel abroad i.e. outside of the UK and Republic of Ireland relating to study or work experience.

Two Scholarships of £1,000 will be awarded annually. The scholarships will be awarded to undergraduate students (Stage 1 or Stage 2) studying within the Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences who are UK residents (as determined by fee status) and have a declared household income below the minimum published threshold to determine eligibility for a full grant, as assessed by Student Finance NI.

Students wishing to apply must submit a completed application form to the AHSS Faculty office by email to Clare Conway (c.conway@qub.ac.uk) by the deadline of **14 June 2019**. Each application will be reviewed by a panel to determine eligibility and must meet at least one of the following criteria:

- The applicant is in receipt of the full grant, as assessed by Student Finance NI
- Neither of the applicant's parents has attended university and obtained an undergraduate degree or equivalent level qualification in the UK, Ireland or abroad
- The applicant lives in a 'disadvantaged neighbourhood'. This will be defined by the applicant's permanent residence postcode
- The applicant is care experienced (has lived in care, whether with foster carers or in a children's home)
- The applicant is a carer (cares for a friend or family member who due to illness, disability, a mental health problem or addiction cannot cope without the applicant's support).

In addition, applications will be scored on the following:

- Presentation of the personal statement
- Clear statement of the destination to which the applicant wishes to travel
- Clear statement of the activity that will be undertaken during the trip
- Clear statement of how the activity will impact positively on their undergraduate degree studies
- Clear statement of how the activity will benefit personal goals
- Costings have been provided for the trip

The application will also need to be endorsed by the applicant's personal tutor/adviser of studies. Award-holders are responsible for making all travel and visa arrangements associated with the study or work experience.

Award-holders will be required to submit a 1000 word report to the AHSS Faculty office within one month of their return from the study or work experience: this will be used to advertise and promote future travel scholarships.

These awards may be held in conjunction with another scholarship. The Faculty reserves the right not to award one or both scholarship(s) if suitable applicants cannot be identified.

Students will be notified of the outcome of their application by 28 June 2019.