

Information on Postgraduate Research Scholarship - Ref: VCS-FLAS-05-22

Faculty:	FLAS	Department:	School of Humanities & Social Sciences
Lead Supervisor:	Dr Sara Pennell		
Project Title:	De-colonising Maritime Greenwich: Practising Community-Centred Public History Amidst the Legacies of Empire		
Project Description:	<p>Since at least the sixteenth 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 and 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 evaluate how Greenwich is coming to terms with the legacies of empire and debates around decolonisation. To date, there has been no systematic attempt to gather and analyse the effects of empire on the Royal Borough and the people and the institutions who live and work in it. By working in partnership with public and community organisations and institutions to understand what frames a community-centred decolonial public history of Greenwich, this project will deliver the first systematic analysis of how empire shaped, and continues to shape, the Royal Borough and its inhabitants.</p>		
Duration:	3 years, Full-Time Study or 6 years, Part-Time Study		
Bursary available (subject to satisfactory performance): Year 1: £17,668 (FT) or pro-rata (PT) plus London weighting where applicable 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 £4,596 (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
Education and Training:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none">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 relevant area to the proposed research project, e.g. history/public history, sociology, heritage studies.			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			E

taught in English and obtained in a majority English speaking country, e.g. UK, USA, Australia, New Zealand, etc, as recognised by the UKBA.		
Experience & Skills:		
<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 qualitative research, and preferably experience of participatory research practices 		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
Personal Attributes:		
<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
Other Requirements:		
<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 January 2024 		E
Closing date for applications:	15 October 2023	
For further information contact:	Sara Pennell (s.m.pennell@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.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scholarship Reference Number (VCS-FLAS-05-22)– included in the personal statement section together with your personal statement as to why you are applying • a research proposal related to the stated research topic * Applying for a PhD What is a Research Proposal - YouTube • 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 * 		
*upload to the qualification section of the application form. Attachments must be in PDF format.		
Before submitting your application, you are encouraged to liaise with the Lead Supervisor on the details above.		

