

**Institute of Historical Research
School of Advanced Study, University of London**

SIR JOHN NEALE PRIZE IN EARLY MODERN BRITISH HISTORY 2019

The Neale Prize is awarded annually to a historian in the early stages of his or her career. Entries should take the form of essays of no more than 8,000 words (including footnotes) on a theme related to the history of early modern Britain. It is intended that the terms of the prize include almost any subject appropriate to the study of 1450-1700 in Britain. Eligibility will ultimately be decided by the judges.

Entries must not have been published or accepted for publication elsewhere, since the prize-winning essay will be considered for publication in the IHR's journal, *Historical Research*. A suitable academic mentor will be appointed to provide advice on career development and research for the prize-winner. The prize-winner is also expected to take part in the academic life of the IHR, for example, by attending seminars and presenting papers.

The deadline for the receipt of applications is midnight on **15 April 2019**. The winner will be announced at the reception following the Royal Historical Society's Annual Prothero Lecture in July each year.

ELIGIBILITY

Candidates must either be registered for a postgraduate degree at a British institution or have been registered for such a degree at a British institution within the last three years.

STIPENDS

The prize will consist of £1,000 with an additional payment of £500 in support of the development of the prize-winner's scholarly career, normally in the form of research and/or travel expenses and conference attendance.

DEADLINES

Complete applications must be received at the Institute of Historical Research no later than **15 April 2019**. Incomplete applications or applications arriving after this date will not be considered. One supporting letter of reference must be received by no later than **3 May 2019**.

APPLICATION FORMAT

- Hard copy applications will be deemed ineligible. Only applications made using the IHR's online application system will be considered.
- Applications for which the requested supporting documents (one-page CV, thesis/ dissertation summary and prize entry) are not uploaded will be deemed ineligible.
- Applications which do not receive one supporting letter of reference will not be considered. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that his/her referee supplies the letter in support of the application.

REFERENCES

Once an application has been submitted, a standard email will be sent automatically to the address

supplied by the applicant in the 'Referees' section of the online application form. This will provide the referee with a link to the online system, where he or she can upload the reference letter. These letters must be uploaded to the online application system directly by the referee, not by the applicant. Applicants may arrange instead for a portfolio of generic references to be sent by their university, where such a service is offered. In that case the box in the 'Referees' section marked 'Portfolio to follow' should be ticked, and the referee details left blank.

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that his/her referee supplies a letter in support of the application, and it is strongly advised that the referee is contacted well before the application is submitted. Applications which do not receive the supporting letter of recommendation by **3 May 2019** will not be considered.

FINAL REPORT

At the end of the year in which the prize is held, the prize-winner will send to the Fellowships Officer at Institute of Historical Research (by email) a report detailing the activities undertaken during his/her year as the winner

APPLICATION CONTENTS

As well as completing the 'Personal Details', 'Education' and 'Referees' sections, applicants should also upload the following three documents (word counts inclusive of footnotes):

- Prize entry (up to 8,000 words) – ***the applicant's name must appear on each page***
- Description of MA dissertation or PhD thesis (up to 1,000 words) - ***the applicant's name must appear on each page***
- A one-page (can be double-sided) academic CV.

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