



The Veale-Straschnov Award for Doctoral Historical Research for Mature Students

The Institute of Historical Research is pleased to announce the inception of the Veale-Straschnov Award for Doctoral Historical Research for Mature Students. Awards will be funded from a benefaction left to the IHR by Elspeth Veale, in remembrance of her late sister Jean and brother-in-law George Straschnov, and up to two will be awarded annually. Elspeth Veale (1916-2015) trained as a teacher of history. She was awarded a one-year research fellowship at the Institute of Historical Research in 1950 where she began work on the history of the English Fur Trade, subsequently published as *The English Fur Trade in the Later Middle Ages* (1966). She became a university lecturer and Dean of Humanities at Goldsmiths' College, University of London.

PURPOSE

The Veale-Straschnov Awards are intended to cover the fees of mature students embarking on a doctorate at the Institute of Historical Research in the School of Advanced Study in the University of London.

ELIGIBILITY

Studentships are open to mature students newly-accepted to read for the PhD degree at the IHR. For this purpose a mature student will be understood to be anyone who, on starting his or her doctorate, is aged 25 or over. The award is only available to new doctoral students joining the IHR from 1 October 2018; doctoral students already on-course are ineligible.

STIPEND

The studentship will pay the full annual academic fee, currently £5,890. A Veale-Straschnov Award can also be used to offset the full cost of fees for part-time students, currently £2,960 per annum. For further information on fees, please see: <http://www.history.ac.uk/study/phd>

The award will be made for the initial year of study in the first instance, but will be extended to cover three years of full-time academic fees, or six years of part-time fees, subject to favourable annual academic reports.

The electors may make up to two new awards per year in addition to continuing the support of postgraduates already in receipt of a Veale-Straschnov Award.

ASSESSMENT

The electors will take into account the strength of the applicant's project; his or her academic background; and his or her financial circumstances.

DEADLINES

The closing date for applications is 31 July 2018.

APPLICATION FORMAT AND CONTENTS

Applicants should lodge an academic application to study for the PhD degree at the IHR in the usual way. Online application forms are available here:

https://www.evision.eisa.london.ac.uk/urd/sits.urd/run/siw_ipp_lgn.login?process=siw_ipp_app&code1=PMP-T06MP-SS&code2=0001

They should also email or post the following application documents for the Veale-Straschnov Award:

1. A covering letter with full details of their e-mail and postal addresses
2. A statement of the academic project which applicants intend to pursue as a PhD in not more than 600 words
3. A curriculum vitae of not more than 2 pages
4. A statement of financial circumstances giving details of their income or situation in not more than a single page.

Applications should be sent by email to IHR.Fellowships@sas.ac.uk or by post to The Fellowships Officer, The Institute of Historical Research, Senate House, Malet Street, London WC1E 7HU.

Please note that acceptance into the PhD programme does not indicate the conferment of the Veale-Straschnov Award. The School of Advanced Study will inform you of the outcome of your application to PhD study. You will receive separate communication from the IHR regarding your Veale-Straschnov Award application.