The Department of French at University College Cork welcomes applications for a new studentship open to students wishing to pursue doctoral research in any area of French and Francophone studies. The studentship will be awarded in the form of a fee-waiver, and will be tenable from the date of first registration for a maximum of three years full-time.

The scholarship is open to EU and non-EU student. However, the funding will only cover the EU fee, so a successful non-EU applicant would be responsible for the balance.

The successful applicant will be required to apply for supplementary funding through the Irish Research Council’s Government of Ireland’s Postgraduate Research Scholarship Programme and through UCC’s Research Excellence Scholarships (PhD) programme.

The UCC French Department has research expertise across French and Francophone studies, including:

- Colonial and post-colonial history of the Francophone world.
- Colonial and post-colonial Francophone literature.
- Contemporary French theatre, film and poetry.
- French political thought since 1789.
- Translation studies.
- French language and linguistics.

Details of individual staff research profiles can be found here: https://www.ucc.ie/en/french/people/

As part of the School of Languages, Literatures and Cultures, we can offer co-supervision in interdisciplinary and cross-cultural projects in areas including conflict studies; memory studies; translation studies; creative practice; comparative literature and culture; film, photography and visual culture; and critical theory. The School’s Centre for Advanced Studies in Languages and Cultures (CASiLaC) supports interdisciplinary co-operation and provides a framework for researchers to collaborate across departmental divides.

Our doctoral students are also supported in their graduate education, research training and career development by the Graduate School of the College of Arts, Celtic Studies and Social Sciences.
UCC Department of French will run an internal selection process to decide the allocation of this studentship. All applicants should read the Terms and Conditions prior to application.

Deadline for submission of completed applications: Friday, 26 April 2019.

Informal enquiries about projects can be made in the first instance to the Head of Department, Dr Patrick Crowley (p.crowley@ucc.ie)

Terms and Conditions

1. The Department of French, University College Cork, is offering a PhD Studentship in the form of a fee-waiver, tenable from the date of first registration and for a maximum of three years full-time.

2. The successful applicant will be expected to register for the PhD via PAC, the online registration system, in time for the October 2019 deadline.

3. To be considered, applicants must have a minimum of a BA (or equivalent) in French Studies or other relevant discipline, and have achieved at least a Second Class Honours, Grade I, or equivalent, in their first or subsequent degree.

4. Applicants should have a working knowledge of English, and will be required to provide certification to this effect.

5. The successful applicant would normally be expected to be resident in Cork.

6. Applicants should include in their application a PhD research proposal, 2 letters of reference (to be sent directly to the department by the referees) and transcripts of their academic record. Graduates of University College Cork do not need to supply transcripts. All application materials should be submitted electronically.

7. Applications will be assessed by the committee set up for this purpose by the Department of French. The successful applicant will be selected on the basis of their project proposal, academic record and references.
8. The successful applicant will be required, once registered for the PhD within the Department of French, to apply for research funding through the Irish Research Council’s Government of Ireland’s Postgraduate Research Scholarship Programme and through UCC's Research Excellence Scholarships (PhD) programme.

9. Should a successful applicant become the recipient of any other scholarship or grant of a like magnitude during the period of the Studentship, s/he will be required to forgo the Studentship.

10. The Studentship holder and her/his supervisor(s) must submit an annual report and make an oral presentation to the Department’s Graduate Studies Committee. If the progress reports are deemed to be unsatisfactory, the Studentship will be terminated.

11. Applications should be sent, by the deadline, to Dr Patrick Crowley, Head of the Department of French at: p.crowey@ucc.ie.

12. The deadline for receipt of applications is midnight on Friday 26 April 2019.

13. The successful applicant must confirm her/his intention to take up the Studentship by within two weeks of the formal offer.