**MICHAEL JOSEPH McENERY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

**(2025-26)**

1. Up to three Michael Joseph McEnery Memorial PhD Scholarships, worth €6,000 each, will be awarded subject to the approval of the School of History.
2. The scholarship is to carry out research for the degree of PhD (or MPhil as a pathway to a PhD**)** in the field of Irish Historical Studies in the School of History at University College Cork. Applicants must have at least Second Class Honours (Grade 1) or equivalent in their first or subsequent degrees.
3. Applications are invited from:

* Students who will **commence** a PhD, (or MPhil as a pathway to a PhD) programme in September/October 2025. Applicants should already have applied online through [UCC's application system](https://www.ucc.ie/apply). The award of the scholarship(s) is contingent on the student being accepted to the relevant PhD programme.
* Students already within the existing History PhD or MPhil programme are also eligible to apply.
* Past recipients may re-apply.

1. i) Applicants should complete the McEnery Scholarship application

form.

ii) Applications should also include a writing sample of circa 8-10,000 words.

iii) They should include relevant supporting materials and non-returnable transcripts of their academic record. Graduates of University College Cork do not need to supply transcripts.

iv) In addition, they should ask their prospective supervisor(s) **and** another academic referee to send references separately, on the appropriate form.

v) Applications and references should be submitted electronically to

[history@ucc.ie](mailto:history@ucc.ie) before the deadline – Monday 1st September 2025.

1. Applications will not be assessed if they are incomplete or have been received after the advertised closing date. Applications must adhere to the stipulated word limits.
2. Selection of successful applicants will be made on the basis of the materials supplied to the School of History. The award of the scholarship(s) will only take place on satisfaction that there are candidates of sufficient merit who have feasible research topics of academic value.
3. If offered, successful applicants must confirm their intention to take up the Scholarship within one working week (five working days) of notification of the School of History’s intention to award them a Scholarship. **The successful applicant must also provide proof of registration.**
4. Should, during the period of the Scholarship, a successful applicant also be the recipient of any major scholarship or grant (such as a PhD studentship from the Irish Research Council), s/he will be required to forego the award of the Michael Joseph McEnery Memorial Scholarship.
5. If progress reports are deemed unsatisfactory, the scholarship will be terminated.
6. The School of History should be notified in good time of any change of circumstances likely to cause disruption to the scholarship holder’s research schedule.
7. Applications will be assessed according to the criteria as specified in the application, which include the following:

*Quality of the project*

*Research methodology*

*Research plan*

*Why the research merits the support of the Michael Joseph McEnery Memorial Scholarship*

*Applicant profile and abilities*

1. The deadline for electronic submission of the application and all supporting documentation is Monday 1st September.Submissions to School of History at [history@ucc.ie](mailto:history@ucc.ie)
2. **Students must only use their student email address at all times (student number@umail.ucc.ie)**