

The University of Manchester

School of Languages, Linguistics and Cultures

Postgraduate Funding Opportunities 2010-11

GUIDELINES FOR APPLICANTS

The School's postgraduate community is one of the UK's largest and most diverse in the UK, enjoying state-of-the-art facilities and excellent support within a high-quality research environment. In step with our continuing expansion, we are enhancing our support for students registering for a research degree (PhD) in 2010-11. In addition to our current Graduate Teaching Fellowships (GTFs), we are offering:

Graduate Teaching Assistantships (Full and Part-time):

- East Asian Studies (projects on Japan are particularly welcome)
- Italian
- Linguistics (preference will be given to applicants for Psycholinguistics)
- Polish (Part-time) * **Please note different closing date, see below.**
- Russian
- Translation & Intercultural Studies

Please note, the GTA must be undertaken in conjunction with a PhD programme of study at the University of Manchester. In most cases, the full-time GTA will be required to teach for 3 hours per week.

The full-time GTA award is open to Home/EU and International applicants and comprises two elements:

- the payment of fees directly to the University: for Home/EU students fees will be paid in full, for International students fees will be paid in part (at Home/EU rate), or in full, **budget permitting**. [In 2010-11 academic session, Home/EU fees are £3,500 per annum, International fees are £11,300 per annum].
- a bursary of £6,500 per annum, which is paid in quarterly instalments by bank transfer (by arrangement with the Student Services Centre).

Please note, the level of funding for the part-time Polish GTA post is somewhat different as the award is partly funded by the Polish Ministry of Education & Science (see below).

For the GTA, you must apply and have been accepted for a PhD programme of study in the School of Languages, Linguistics and Cultures. **Applicants must be holding an offer of a place by the closing date specified below in order to be included in the competition. The GTAs are available only to new PhD applicants, not currently registered PhD students.**

*** Please note that the Polish GTA is jointly funded by the Ministry of Education & Science in Poland. Candidates must be citizens of Poland and have completed teacher training organised by the Ministry (if they are not qualified teachers). The closing date for the Polish GTA is Wednesday 31 March 2010. For further information, please contact Dr Ewa Ochman: ewa.ochman@manchester.ac.uk**

The closing date for the GTA competition (**except the Polish**) is **Friday 16 April 2010**. The **closing date for the Polish GTA is Wednesday 31 March 2010**.

Please note, applicants may be invited for (telephone) interview if deemed necessary.

HOW TO APPLY

- Applications for postgraduate PhD programmes must be submitted (with all the required documentation) using the online application form from the University's website:

<http://www.manchester.ac.uk/postgraduate/howtoapply/>

- The School of Languages, Linguistics and Cultures Funding Application Form must be downloaded and submitted to the Postgraduate Office (details below). The Form is available from:

<http://www.llc.manchester.ac.uk/postgraduate/funding/>

- Return the Funding Application Form either by email to pg.languages@manchester.ac.uk or to the following address: Postgraduate Office, School of Languages, Linguistics and Cultures, Samuel Alexander Building, The University of Manchester, Oxford Road, Manchester M13 9PL, United Kingdom

Please note, for successful applicants the GTA award will be made **only** if you are unsuccessful in obtaining **full** funding in external funding competitions (eg. AHRC or any other external body). Applicants cannot simultaneously hold a **full** AHRC or any other external award and a University of Manchester School award.

Please note, training is compulsory for all new GTAs; further information will be communicated as appropriate.

Please note, applicants must be holding an offer of a place by the closing date in order to be included in any of the funding competitions outlined below.

PhD Fee Bursaries (assistance with tuition fees)

We are offering a number of fee bursaries for UK/EU and International PhD students. The bursary will pay £3,000 towards tuition fees (if studying on a full-time basis, pro-rata if studying on a part-time basis).

Application Information

The closing date for receipt of the Funding Application Form for the PhD Fee Bursaries is **Friday 16 April 2010**. This competition is open **only** to new PhD applicants, not currently registered PhD students. It is anticipated that decisions will be made in May 2010. **Please note, only successful candidates will be contacted.**

For successful applicants the award will be paid **only** if you are unsuccessful in external funding competitions (e.g. AHRC/ESRC or similar). Applicants cannot hold a **full** external award from bodies such as AHRC/ESRC or any other external agency and a School studentship award simultaneously.

You are advised to contact the relevant **PhD Programme Director** regarding your research topic and/or your suitability for externally funded competitions:

Chinese: Dr Sharon Kinsella	Sharon.Kinsella@manchester.ac.uk
French: Dr Daron Burrows	Daron.Burrows@manchester.ac.uk
German: Professor Stefan Berger	Stefan.Berger@manchester.ac.uk
Italian: Dr Delia Bentley	Delia.Bentley@manchester.ac.uk
Japanese: Dr Sharon Kinsella	Sharon.Kinsella@manchester.ac.uk
Linguistics and English Language: Dr Martina Faller	Martina.T.Faller@manchester.ac.uk
Middle Eastern Studies: Professor Alex Samely	Alexander.Samely@manchester.ac.uk
Polish: Dr Ewa Ochman	Ewa.Ochman@manchester.ac.uk
Russian: Professor Vera Tolz	Vera.Tolz@manchester.ac.uk
Spanish, Portuguese and Latin American Studies: Dr Karl Posso	Karl.Posso@manchester.ac.uk
Translation & Intercultural Studies: Professor Mona Baker	Mona.Baker@manchester.ac.uk

You may apply for the Fee Bursary as well as the GTA, but any applicant who does so will automatically be withdrawn from the Fee Bursary competition if they are offered and accept a GTA. Other applicants who are on the GTA shortlist will remain in the competition for the Bursaries.

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- The Funding Application Form must be downloaded and submitted to the Postgraduate Office (details below). The Form is available from:

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PhD Chinese Studies Fee Bursaries

Chinese Studies is a vital and expanding area of international research expertise at the University of Manchester. To support postgraduate development in this field, two PhD fee bursaries to the value of £4,000 each, will be offered for September 2010. These are open to Home/EU or International students who wish to enrol for a PhD at the University of Manchester in areas related to Chinese Studies. This competition is open **only** to new PhD applicants, not currently registered PhD students.

Further details about the Centre for Chinese Studies, academic staff and their research interests can be found at: <http://www.ccs.humanities.manchester.ac.uk/>

The closing date for applications to this scheme is **Friday 16 April 2010**. Please apply using the standard Funding Application Form.

Students may apply to this scheme and also for other fee bursaries offered by the School of Languages, Linguistics and Cultures at the University of Manchester. However, if they are offered, and accept, a Chinese Studies fee bursary, their application will then be withdrawn from the School's competition for fee bursaries. The Chinese Studies PhD fee bursaries may not be held alongside any full external funding award. They may, however, be held alongside a partial funding award or an AHRC fees-only award.

If you have further enquiries about this scheme or about Chinese Studies at Manchester, please contact Professor Hong Liu: hong.liu@manchester.ac.uk

Brook Award in English Language or Medieval English Literature

Applicants studying a PhD in English Language or Medieval English Literature are eligible to apply for the Brook Award. This award provides a 3 year maintenance bursary of £4,000 per annum. This award can be held by students in the School of Languages, Linguistics and Cultures or in the School of Arts, Histories and Cultures (for Medieval English Literature).

The closing date for applications to this scheme is **Friday 16 April 2010**. Please apply using the standard Funding Application Form.

Centre for the Advanced Study of the Arab World (CASAW) Studentship

CASAW is offering one PhD studentship, (covering tuition fees of £3,500 and a maintenance stipend of approximately £13,000) to a Home/EU student registering for the PhD in Arab World Studies. This competition is open **only** to new PhD applicants, not currently registered PhD students.

The closing date for applications to this scheme is **Friday 16 April 2010**. Please apply using the standard Funding Application Form.

For further information regarding CASAW, please go to: <http://www.casaw.ac.uk/>

MA Fee Bursaries (assistance with tuition fees)

We are offering a number of full-time and part-time fee bursaries for UK/EU and International MA students. The bursary will pay £3,000 towards tuition fees (if studying on a full-time basis, pro-rata if studying on a part-time basis).

The closing date for receipt of the Funding Application Form is **Friday 16 April 2010**. This competition is open **only** to new MA applicants. It is anticipated that decisions will be made in May 2010. Only successful candidates will be contacted. Please note, the fee bursary cannot be held alongside any full award from an external body e.g. AHRC/ESRC or any other external agency.

MA Programmes/Programme Suites:

- Contemporary China
- European Languages and Cultures (Programme Suite)
- Latin American Cultural Studies
- Linguistics and English Language (Programme Suite)
- Middle Eastern Studies (Programme Suite)
- Translation and Interpreting Studies

For more information on the above programmes, please visit our website:
<http://www.llc.manchester.ac.uk/postgraduate/taught/>

If you have an enquiry relating to the academic content of an MA programme, you may wish to contact the relevant **MA Programme Director:**

Contemporary China:

Dr Sam Liang

sam.liang@manchester.ac.uk

European Languages and Cultures:

Dr Encarnacion Gutierrez-Rodriguez

e.gutierrez@manchester.ac.uk

Latin American Cultural Studies:

Dr Patience Schell

patience.schell@manchester.ac.uk

Linguistics and English Language:

Dr John Payne

john.payne@manchester.ac.uk

Middle Eastern Studies:

Dr Philip Sadgrove

philip.c.sadgrove@manchester.ac.uk

Translation and Interpreting Studies:

Dr Luis Pérez-González

luis.perez-gonzalez@manchester.ac.uk

HOW TO APPLY

- Applications for postgraduate MA programmes must be submitted (with all the required documentation) using the online application form from the University's website:

<http://www.manchester.ac.uk/postgraduate/howtoapply/>

- The Funding Application Form must be downloaded and submitted to the Postgraduate Office (details below). The Form is available from:

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We reserve the right to allocate as appropriate from our budget, and all of the above awards are awarded on merit.

For general information and guidance regarding entry requirements and applying either for a PhD or MA programme of study, please contact the Postgraduate Office; telephone +44 (0)161 275 3559, email [**pg.languages@manchester.ac.uk**](mailto:pg.languages@manchester.ac.uk)

FURTHER FUNDING INFORMATION

- **Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC):**

<http://www.humanities.manchester.ac.uk/postgraduate/ahrc/>

<http://www.ahrc.ac.uk>

Deadline for applications: **15 March 2010**

- **Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC): Linguistics Students Only**

<http://www.esrc.ac.uk>

Deadline for applications: **5 April 2010**

- **School of Languages, Linguistics and Cultures, University of Manchester:**

<http://www.llc.manchester.ac.uk/postgraduate/funding/>

- **Prospects:** A guide to postgraduate study, including guidance on postgraduate funding.

<http://www.prospects.ac.uk/>

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