



## Classical Association: Hardship Grants for PhD Students

In view of the difficulties experienced in the course of the coronavirus pandemic and especially on account of the ways in which the pandemic has exacerbated existing difficulties and inequalities, the Classical Association wishes to offer financial support for Classics PhD students at UK universities in the pursuit and completion of their research in any field of Classical Studies, broadly defined. The aim of the scheme is to assist PhD students in Classics in the continuation and completion of their research and writing in circumstances in which the pandemic can be shown to have had a detrimental effect on their progress. Where circumstances warrant, the Association will grant up to £1,500 per student, though applications for smaller amounts are welcome. Funding may be granted for specific purposes (e.g. books and materials) or to help with general living expenses. The initial budget for the current year will be £75,000.

Application for funding is invited from full or part-time PhD students at any stage of their studies, including those who have recently completed their programmes but have not yet secured follow-on funding or employment. Applications should be accompanied by a statement on the part of an appropriate person (supervisor, Head of Department, Director of Graduate Studies, Graduate Administrator, Student Support Officer, etc.) in the student's own institution, confirming that all appropriate internal sources of funding have been exhausted prior to application.

Any student at a UK university (whether from the UK, EEA, or non-EEA; full-time or part-time) pursuing (or who has recently completed) a PhD programme in a Classical subject (broadly defined to include Latin and Greek, Classical Civilization, Ancient History, Classical Art and Archaeology, and Classical Reception Studies) is eligible to apply. Preference may be given to applicants from disadvantaged backgrounds or family circumstances and from traditionally under-represented groups. Students who have been self-funding will have priority over those who have been in receipt of bursaries, grants, and scholarships.

In an application, applicants should aim to detail the impact of the pandemic on their finances, providing an overview of outgoings and expenses where possible — this may avoid eligible applicants being asked to revise and resubmit.

Note that those who have received CA Hardship Grants in the past are welcome to reapply on the same basis as new applicants.

Please complete BOTH [Part 1](#) and [Part 2](#) of the application form, and return to [canews@classicalassociation.org](mailto:canews@classicalassociation.org). The next deadline for applications is **22 November 2021**.

Any queries about the scheme should be addressed to [canews@classicalassociation.org](mailto:canews@classicalassociation.org).