**University of Stirling: History and Politics**

**Andrew John Williamson Memorial Trust**

# **Travel Scholarship 2024/25 Application Form**

The Williamson Travel Scholarship was established in memory of Andrew John Williamson who died in a tragic accident in 1981, when he was a Politics student at the University of Stirling. His parents sought to keep his memory alive by offering a helping hand to other students studying Politics who might wish to travel in order to pursue an interest of a political nature.

The travel scholarship is open to all students entering Year 4 of a single or combined undergraduate degree in Politics, International Politics, or PPE. Students are welcome to submit applications connected to their dissertation, though *any* project arising from an individual’s own special interest will be acceptable.

Please note the following information carefully:-

* Applications must be submitted by email and must be received no later than **5pm 30 September** **2024**. Your proposed travel must be outside the UK and outside your home country.
* You must supply contact details of a referee who has knowledge of your academic studies and your Scholarship proposal. Unsupported applications will not be considered. Make sure you ask their permission and outline your proposal to them. Failure to supply a referee will render your application ineligible.
* The value of the scholarship award will be decided by the Board of Trustees but is unlikely to exceed £1400 and will depend on the number and quality of applications.
* The successful recipient will be required to complete an overseas travel risk assessment prior to travel. The Board of Trustees will not approve travel in parts of the world that are considered unsafe or unstable. You should ensure to check [FCDO travel advice](https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice) for your proposed country of destination *prior* to submitting your application.
* Students must be enrolled as a full-time student at the University of Stirling during the period of their proposed travel. Applications will not be accepted for retrospective funding, nor for travel undertaken on or after 24 June 2025.
* Scholarship recipients will be required to submit a short written report on their activities. Receipts for all expenditure will be required.
* Successful applicants will be notified of the Board of Trustees’ decisions by 7 October 2024.
* The Board of Trustees’ decision is final.

Please complete this form and submit your application via e-mail to historyandpolitics@stir.ac.uk.

**Personal Information**

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| **Name** |  |
| **Home address** |  |
| **Semester address** |  |
| **Mobile telephone number** |  |
| **Email address** |  |
| **Degree programme** |  |
| **Current Semester** |  |

**Travel Scholarship Proposal**

Please provide information as requested below. The Trustees will be particularly interested to know if you have any provisional arrangements already in place (e.g. a list of people who would be willing to give you an interview or institutions that would be willing to host your visit). Do not worry if you have not yet made any such arrangements, though you should note that the offer of an Award may be conditional on evidence that arrangements are in place *before departure*. Your application should also include your estimated costs. (The Trustees will normally fund only travel, accommodation and subsistence). Applicants may be seeking funding from other sources and this is not a problem, but your cost estimate should include the entire cost of your project, identifying the part for which Williamson funding is being sought.

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| **Destination** |  |
| **Dates and duration of visit** |  |
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| **Mode of travel and estimated cost** |  |
| **Accommodation arrangements and estimated cost** |  |
| **Estimated subsistence cost, e.g. meals** |  |
| **Any other costs**  |  |
| **Total estimated cost** |  |
| **Total scholarship request** |  |
| **Provide details of any other applications you have made for funding** |  |
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| **Name of referee** |  |
| **Relationship to applicant** |  |
| **Telephone number** |  |
| **Email address** |  |

Please set out the details of your proposal and the purpose of your visit below (500 words maximum):

Further information can be obtained from Dr Megan Dee, who can be contacted via e-mail at megan.dee@stir.ac.uk.