**Parkes Institute Postgraduate Scholarships**

**Guidelines 2020/21**

IMPORTANT: Please read these guidelines carefully before completing the application form.

1. Purpose of the Funds

**James Parkes Postgraduate Scholarship**

The Parkes Institute for the study of relations between Jews and non-Jews has received a generous donation to fund a £5000 scholarship in honour of the work of Dr Reverend James Parkes. The pioneering work of the Reverend Dr James Parkes is ever more relevant to a world in increasing crisis and division but remains sadly neglected in academia and beyond. Through this important scheme, it is hoped that a new generation of academically young scholars will be encouraged to take further the work of James Parkes.

It will be awarded to one, or split between two, PhD student(s).

**Agron PhD Scholarships**

The Parkes Institute for the study of relations between Jews and non-Jews has received a generous donation from alumnus Larry Agron to fund two £5000 scholarships. It will be awarded to two PhD students working on any aspects of Jewish/non-Jewish relations, or Jewish history and culture.

The deadline for this academic year is:

* **Deadline 4 p.m. Monday 22nd March 2021**
1. Eligibility

In order to apply to these funds you must be a Postgraduate Research student already studying within the Faculty of Arts and Humanities. You can be registered full time or part time. You must have at least a year of candidature left before submission of thesis for viva.

1. General Guidelines

**Please take the following points into account before applying:**

1. Priority will be given to students currently working on, by order of preference:
**James Parkes Postgraduate Scholarship**

i. The Church and the Holocaust or Christian-Jewish Relations in the history of antisemitism

ii. Christian-Jewish relations throughout the ages

iii. Jewish/non-Jewish relations throughout the ages.

**Agron PhD Scholarships**

i. Jewish/non-Jewish relations throughout the ages.

ii. Jewish history and culture

1. Applicants who will use the Parkes Library and related archives and those who intend a later career in the fields of James Parkes’ interest will be particularly welcomed.
2. The quality of the applicant and the relevance of their research project will be the major consideration when assessing applications.
3. Financial need will also be considered but will not be a major determining factor in decision-making.
4. You are expected to have investigated all other sources of funding before applying.
5. Awards will be £5000 (the James Parkes Postgraduate Scholarship may be split equally between two successful candidates, £2500 each)
6. **Financial circumstances**
7. Although financial circumstances will be a secondary criteria, we need to have detailed information to ensure that the process is fair and equitable to all. We will consider only basic essential needs rather than non-essential lifestyle expenditure.
8. Examples of the caps used in the assessment are as follows:

Everyday living costs: £73 per week for single student to cover food, utility bills, socialising.

Accommodation: up to £90 per week (this is based on a student renting a property in the Southampton area; alternative caps may be used for rent in Winchester and for families/couples).

Course costs: £10 per week as standard.

Therefore expected that a single person’s costs are £750 per month excluding fees.

1. Within the assessment process we also consider ‘exceptional’ unforeseen circumstances. Details of these circumstances are gathered through the information you are asked to provide below.
2. If foreign currency is used, please state the exchange rate and convert the costs to an estimated pounds sterling value.
3. How to Apply
4. Applications should be typed into the application form, below.
5. Submit your application to meet the deadline:
* **Deadline 4 p.m. Monday 22nd March 2021**
1. You should include relevant supporting documentation to your application form (for example evidence of incomings/outgoings), and forward it to your Supervisor for endorsement and a supportive statement.
2. The application should then be sent to the FAH Graduate School (fah-gradschool@soton.ac.uk) with the email copied to your supervisor so that they might confirm their endorsement of your application.
3. Please be aware that incomplete or late applications will not be considered.
4. **Decision Process**
5. These funds are managed by the Faculty of Arts and Humanities on behalf of the Parkes Institute.
6. Applications are considered by a Panel, including a member of the Graduate School, the Director of the Parkes Institute and another academic member of the Parkes Institute.
7. You will receive written confirmation of the outcome of your application within approximately three weeks of the application deadline.
8. The awards will be announced at the Parkes Lecture (20 April 2021).
9. Claiming an Award

Awards will be paid as a studentship through the Student Record System (Banner).

If you have any queries about these funds, please contact:

Graduate School Office

Faculty of Arts and Humanities

Building 65/2093

Avenue Campus

University of Southampton,

SO17 1BJ

Tel: +44 (0) 23 8059 7433

Email: fah-gradschool@soton.ac.uk

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**Application Form 2020/21**

**Please read Guidelines carefully before completing this form.**

1. Personal Details

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| Title |  |
| First name |  |
| Family name |  |
| University email address |  |
| Discipline |  |
| Main Supervisor |  |
| Date of Registration |  |
| Full or Part-time |  |
| Anticipated date of thesis submission (if known) |  |

Please give the title / provisional title of your thesis.

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2. Research proposal

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| Please describe your project, your progress and plans for the future (between 500 and 1000 words). Explain how it relates to the criteria of the appropriate scholarship (i.e themes; work with Parkes archives and library; plans for future career). |

**3. Details of financial circumstances, if relevant**

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| Please detail your circumstances, including your monthly expenditures and income, received funding and current funding applications or unforeseen exceptional circumstances. |

**4. CV**

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| Please provide a short CV, including any awards or funding you have applied for. |

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| Name/electronic signature of applicant: | Date: |

Please pass this form to your Supervisor who will complete the final endorsement box and pass the form back to you for submission.

**6. Supervisor/Programme Director Endorsement**

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| Supervisor/Programme Director’s full name |  |
| Supervisor/Programme Director’s Discipline (if different from applicant) |  |
| Email |  |
| Telephone |  |
| **Supporting Statement:** |
| Name/ electronic signature of Supervisor/Programme Director: | Date:  |
| Supervisor/Programme Director – it is the responsibility of your student to send this completed application to the email listed below and to copy you into the correspondence so that you may confirm your endorsement of their application. |

**IMPORTANT**:

Please ensure that a final copy is submitted ELECTRONICALLY to the FAH Graduate School (fah-gradschool@soton.ac.uk, to meet the following deadline:

* **Deadline 4 p.m. Monday 22nd March 2021**

YOU MUST copy your supervisor into the email so that they can indicate that they have endorsed your application. Failure to do so will result in your application being withdrawn.