

Fees-only Bursaries

The University of Hertfordshire invites applications for two fees-only bursaries for the 2015/16 intake of the DHeritage, Professional Doctorate in Heritage, commencing in October 2015.

About the DHeritage:

Heritage flourishes at local, national and international levels where it takes many forms and its contribution to community building, economic prosperity, cultural adaptation and a sense of belonging is widely recognised. It is a dimension of all spheres of human activity and lends itself to study across disciplinary boundaries. Public history is emerging as a field concerned with the many ways the past is put to use in the present.

The Doctorate in Heritage (DHeritage) is a broad-based, flexible qualification aimed at professionals who work in or desire to work in the heritage field broadly defined, whether in the private or the public sector. It will interest those who are employed in tourism, planning, museums, archives, community history, archaeology, and social and cultural sustainability. It will appeal to practitioners who want to reflect on and contribute to the latest thinking in what is a dynamic and ever-changing sector crucial to many economies and to local and national identities.

Developed in association with experts from across the sector, the DHeritage programme aims to integrate scholarship on a whole range of interdisciplinary themes, including professional ethics, sustainability, cultural memory and heritage policy. Students will follow the programme as part of a cohort, supported by research training and supervision shaped to their needs from across the disciplines of History, Education, Digital Humanities, Creative Writing, Creative Arts, Law, Business, and Tourism. Students will be able to select their topic and training according to individual needs and interests, and current developments in the field.

Requirements:

Entry qualifications are assessed on an individual basis. Normally participants will have: an Honours degree or equivalent; a relevant Masters Degree and five years relevant professional experience. Candidates without a Masters degree will need to demonstrate an equivalent level of accomplishment through professional practice, based on appropriate professional training (e.g. Associate Membership of the Museums Association). Candidates for whom English is not their first language will require certification of English language competence (minimum IELTS 6.5, preferably higher). At admission, candidates will be allocated a Principal and one or two Second Supervisors based on the research area they have set out in their Research Proposal and in their interviews.

The DHeritage mode of study is part-time, over six years. Fees for 2015/16 are £2300 per annum. Bursaries are guaranteed for three years and will be reviewed at the three year point. If candidates satisfy an assessment panel of their progress and funds are available the bursaries will be renewed for a further three years.

Application details:

For details of how to apply please contact: Dr Janice Turner, Social Sciences, Arts and Humanities Research Institute, ssahri.res@herts.ac.uk

For further information about the DHeritage, please contact Dr Grace Lees-Maffei, Director, DHeritage: g.lees-maffei@herts.ac.uk

Closing Date for applications: Friday 14th August, 2015

Interviews will be held on Friday 4th September, 2015

Start date: October 2015, for six years' part-time study.