Society for the History of Alchemy and Chemistry Award Scheme 2020

Opening date: 1 March 2020

Closing date for applications: 31 May 2020

The Society for the History of Alchemy and Chemistry invites applications for its Award Scheme for 2020. SHAC offers two types of award: support for research into the history of chemistry or history of alchemy by both new and independent scholars and support for Subject Development of either history of chemistry or history of alchemy. It is expected that applicants will be advised of the outcome of their application by 31 July 2020. The Awards are most suitable for activities to be undertaken in the academic year October 2020–September 2021.

**New Scholars Awards/Research Awards** are open to post-graduate students (both masters and doctoral students), those who have obtained a PhD since 1 January 2010 and also to independent scholars. Awards of up to £750 will be made to cover research expenses, including travel, accommodation, the reproduction of documents, and library fees. Applications may also include the costs of reproducing images for publication. The Scheme does not fund the purchase of equipment or course fees. It does not cover the costs of Open Access publication.

*Please note that from 2020 the cut-off for early-career scholars has been extended from five years post PhD to ten years post PhD. Independent scholars are also eligible to apply for what were formerly known as New Scholars Awards. Given that the circumstances of independent scholars differ we are letting members ‘self-define’ and if there are any unclear cases it will be left to the discretion of the Awards Panel.*

In addition, post-graduate students only may apply for the costs of travel to conferences and accommodation, but only in order to give a paper. The Scheme does not pay conference registration fees.

**Subject Development Awards** of up to £750 may be made to support activities such as seminars, workshops, colloquia, lecture series, conference sessions, conferences, exhibitions and outreach activities that support either the history of chemistry or history of alchemy as academic subjects. The Awards do not cover the costs of refreshments or catering for these events. The Scheme does not cover the costs of Open Access publication.

*Please note that activities covered by the Awards do not have to occur in the UK, and that the Awards are open to members of the Society resident both in the UK and elsewhere. Members who have applied to the Scheme in previous years, whether successfully or not, are entitled to make an application in 2020.*

Applicants must be members of the Society in good standing at the time of making an application, and, if successful, throughout the period of an award. For more information and application forms, please contact grants@ambix.org. Membership enquiries should be made to newjoiner@ambix.org.

**An activity report must be submitted at the end of the Award.** This will usually be published in SHAC’s *Chemical Intelligence* newsletter.