

The Sir Cyril Fox Fund

Applications to the Sir Cyril Fox Fund are invited from undergraduate and postgraduate students studying Archaeology and/or Conservation at Cardiff University.

The Awards

Cyril Fox (1882-1967) was Keeper of Archaeology in the National Museum of Wales (1924-1926), Director of the National Museum (1926-1948), and Lecturer in Archaeology at Cardiff University. In the 1970s, Sir Cyril's widow, Lady Aileen Fox, presented several substantial gifts to the University. These and subsequent contributions from many former students and colleagues form the basis of the Sir Cyril Fox Fund. The income of this fund is dedicated to support travel grants made to Archaeology and/or Conservation students, specifically to enable them to undertake fieldwork, other than excavation, and to study archaeological material in museums in Britain and Europe. These were activities which Sir Cyril Fox himself practised and considered to be of prime importance in the making of an archaeologist. The average value for an award is £100 and, though there are exceptions, larger amounts are seldom granted.

Application Procedure

Applicants must complete an Application Form and submit it by one of three annual deadlines: 1 December, 1 March and 1 June. Application forms are available from the School Administrator (Miss Liz Walker, Humanities Building rm. X4.15). Applications must include a short statement that clearly describes the travel proposed and the benefit that the student will gain by making the trip. All costs must be fully detailed; general estimates of ticket or accommodation costs are not satisfactory. Applicants must also seek funds from other relevant sources (e.g. The Charles Coles Fund, the HISAR Postgraduate Committee).

Applicants will be informed of the decision of the awards panel within two weeks of the application deadlines.

Eligibility

Applicants must be enrolled for a single honours, integrated or joint degree involving Archaeology or Conservation at Cardiff University. Both Postgraduate and Undergraduate students are eligible to apply. The period of travel must take place while the applicant is a student at Cardiff. Retrospective applications will not be accepted (i.e., costs incurred during travel that took place prior to the application deadline are ineligible). Successful applicants will be asked to write and submit a short report of their trip.

