INVITATION TO APPLY

The Department of History, National University of Singapore, invites applications for two research scholarships for PhD candidates.

AREA OF EXPERTISE

The Department is managing a major research project titled Empires in Asia: A New Global History. The project includes the opportunity to train PhD candidates whose dissertation and research work contribute to its broad direction. We seek in the first instance two doctoral students who will work on thesis topics that will strengthen components of the project. For one scholarship, preference will be given to a candidate working on a relevant topic in modern East Asian history, preferably the Ming-Qing period. For the other scholarship, preference will be given to a candidate working on a relevant topic in modern South Asian history, preferably the Mughal period. Topics of interest include but need not be limited to systems, concepts, theories and networks of empire, imperialism and colonization. Candidates will be supervised by appropriate faculty members in the Department.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The terms and conditions for the research scholarships conform to those of the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, which can be found at: http://www.fas.nus.edu.sg/prospective/grad/research/sch-RSH.html
The normal duration for a PhD research scholarship in the Faculty is four years, including fieldwork. Visit our websites at http://www.fas.nus.edu.sg/ for information on the Faculty, and http://www.fas.nus.edu.sg/hist/ for information on the Department of History and the research project.

APPLICATION

Interested candidates should submit the following by 15 July 2012 (soft copies):

Covering letter and research intention statement;
Names and contact information for two referees;
Transcript of latest academic qualification earned;
Brief sample of academic writing.

Please address and submit all documents to:
Associate Professor Brian Farrell, Principal Investigator
Research Project “Empire in Asia: A New Global History”
hisbpf@nus.edu.sg

The scholarships will commence in January 2013. Applicants must hold at least a Second Class Honours (Upper Division) degree or equivalent, and should preferably have a Masters degree in History or a related discipline. All applications should be submitted by 15 July 2012, with the assumption that the applicant will be able to begin his/her studies at NUS in January 2013. The search will continue until the scholarships are awarded.

Shortlisted applicants will be required to complete the application form for admission to the graduate programme.