# The Mark Flinn Award

## Guidance Notes

**Personal Statement**

This is an important section of your application and, in conjunction with your proposal will form the basis on which your application will be considered. This is an opportunity to tell the Selection Panel about:

1. The value of your research project;
2. Why you are interested in history;
3. How the award would benefit your future career.

The word limit is no more than **250 words,** so you need to be as concise as possible in your statement.

The Selection Panel will also take into account the demonstration of ‘promise’ in the face of adversity, where you have demonstrated promise and talent whilst overcoming exceptional circumstances.

**Research Proposal**

Within your proposal for your research project please cover the following:

**Title:**

**Issues and Methods:**

1. Indicate the issues that the proposed research project would consider.
2. Please indicate the **primary sources** you intend to use.Please give details of any archives or special collections that you intend to visit, giving details of the availability of the sources.
3. Please attach a bibliography of between ten to twenty **secondary sources** that will be used for your research.
4. Please indicate any special requirements necessary to complete the proposed project e.g. knowledge of foreign language, special computer skills etc.

The word limit is no more than **500 words**.

**Declaration**

Please sign and date to confirm that the information you have given is correct and that you understand by submitting false information your application will be disqualified immediately.

**Name and signature of proposed supervisor**

If this is to be used as a proposal for your dissertation, please ensure that a member of academic staff signs the declaration below **before you submit the proposal form** to both the **Scholarships Officer** and **Roger Spalding.**

| **SECTION 1: PERSONAL DETAILS** | | | | | |
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| Title (Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms, Mx) | |  | | | |
| First Name | |  | | | |
| Surname | |  | | | |
| Student Number | |  | | | |
| Personal Tutor | |  | | | |
| Date of Birth | |  | | | |
| Full Course Title | |  | | | |
| How did you hear about the Award? *Please tick* | | Website  Email  Social Media  Lecture Announcement  Blackboard  Spotlight on – Student Home Page |  | Current Scholar  Text Message  Word of Mouth  Other (please specify) ……………………. |  |
| **SECTION 2: PERSONAL STATEMENT – PLEASE ATTACH THIS TO YOUR APPLICATION.** | | | | | |
| Please tell us about yourself, your passion for history and your future plans.   * You must refer to the guidance notes for advice. * Answers must be word processed and attached as an appendix to the application.   + Please use Arial size 12 font with 1.5 line spacing. * **250 words maximum.**   You must **not** exceed the word limit. Anything over the specified word count will not be considered in the application process. | | | | | |
| **SECTION 3: RESEARCH PROJECT OF AN HISTORICAL NATURE PROPOSAL** | | | | | |
| Please attach your research proposal.   * You must refer to the guidance notes for advice and ensure that you cover all of the items listed. * Answers must be word processed and attached as an appendix to the application. * Please use Arial size 12 font with 1.5 line spacing. * **500 words maximum.**   You must **not** exceed the word limit. Anything over the specified word count will not be considered in the application process. | | | | | |
| **SECTION 4: DECLARATION** | | | | | |
| I declare that all information given on this form is correct to the best of my knowledge.  I understand that lobbying any members of the Selection Panel and/or submitting false information will disqualify my application immediately.  The decision of the Selection Panel is final, and no correspondence will be entered into.  If successful, I give permission:   * to grant the publishing rights to Edge Hill University to publish and use my work (both in printed and digital forms) in publicity and promotion; * for the information provided in this application to be published in the Scholarships Awards brochure; * for my previous college/sixth form to be notified of my success; * to notify my personal tutor of my success; * an acknowledgement to the Mark Flinn Award will be given in my final work. | | | | | |
| Signed (student) |  | | | | |
| Date |  | | | | |

If this is to be used as a proposal for your dissertation, please complete the following section and ensure that Roger Spalding also receives a copy.

| **SECTION 5: PROPOSED DISSERTATION SUPERVISOR** | |
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| Please ensure that a member of the academic staff signs the declaration below **before you submit the proposal form.**  **Statement of Proposed Supervisor:**  I have read the information provided by the named student. The student has discussed this proposed dissertation with me. I am satisfied that the topic has the potential to be a successful dissertation. I have explained to the student that my signature does not constitute final approval for the proposal. | |
| Signed (Module Leader) |  |
| Date |  |

Remember to attach your personal statement and your research proposal to your application before submitting to the address below **and** to Roger Spalding.

Please submit to:

Scholarships Officer

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**Closing date: 23:59 on 15 June 2022**

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