

Institute for Historical Study
Information for Mini-Grant Applicants

Purpose

The purpose of the IHS Mini-Grant Program is to further independent, original projects by IHS members through the kind of partial assistance that scholars might otherwise receive as full-time employees or graduate students in academic institutions.

Stipulations

Grants are based on scholarly merit rather than financial need. Applicants who do not have access to substantial existing grant support receive priority. All fields of historical study are eligible. Grants are not made to supplement living expenses. Grants may be used to pay for duplicating, reproduction rights, translation services, editing, travel, and conference registration, but they are not limited to these uses. Mini-grants are awarded once a year by the Board of Directors on the recommendation of the mini-grant committee, which is appointed annually by the IHS President. Their deliberations are confidential.

Preference

Preference is given to applicants for whom there is no readily available source of scholarship support. Applicants who have engaged in the peer-review and discussion process of IHS "work-in-progress" sessions receive preference, other factors being equal. Prior recipients are not excluded from re-applying, but first-time applicants receive preference. No recipient will receive funding for more than two consecutive years, with a waiting period of three years after such awards before reapplying. Current mini-grant committee members are not eligible for grants during their term of service.

Process

Applications are to be submitted by **September 15** by email or mailed to the address below, using the attached application form. Previous unsuccessful applicants are urged to reapply, and the committee may request additional information. Mini-grant applicants are required to submit brief reports on their projects for the IHS Newsletter on completion of their work, with a separate accounting of how the money was spent. There are no other formal reporting requirements.

Submit the application form and any additional information requested to the IHS Mini-Grant Committee via:

- email to rrobbins@unm.edu or
- mail to P.O. Box 5743, Berkeley, California 94705