

Five €2,000 research bursaries awarded by IFUT

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Five research students from four Irish universities have been awarded bursaries of €2,000 each by the Irish Federation of University teachers (IFUT).

The awards were presented today (Tuesday, January 20th) as part of the celebrations around the 50th Anniversary of the foundation of the IFUT).

The five winning entries are:

- Courtney Collins (UCC): Informal science education in zoos and aquariums, what children learn when viewing animals
- Eugene Costello (NUIG): Transhumance practices in Ireland and their role in medieval society and settlement
- Sarah Nangle (UCD): Crafting music in medieval England
- Elaine O’Driscoll-Adam (UCC): Maritime Geographies: A cultural perspective of maritime fishing communities
- Anna Szolucha (NUIM): Democratic politics in peripheries.

A total of 64 applications were received from students in 15 third-level institutions where IFUT is represented.

Students of any nationality, registered for either undergraduate or postgraduate studies, were entitled to apply. The bursaries are intended to provide financial support for travel and research in connection with undergraduate or postgraduate studies and publications.

According to the Adjudicators, Dr Caroline Hussey and Professor Patrick Clancy, “the quality of the applications, the wide range of research topics encompassed and originality of research proposals presented were highly impressive.”

IFUT General Secretary, Mike Jennings, said that IFUT “is delighted to be associated with this initiative, which acknowledges the importance of research and innovation in our universities and which, we hope, will materially assist the winning students in their ongoing work and career development.”

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