



Travel Awards 2024

The Royal Society for Asian Affairs Travel Awards support practical projects and research that have the potential to contribute to advances in scholarly or other public knowledge including, but not limited to, postgraduate degrees, journalism, and travel writing.

Applicants must be aged 21-28 at the time of application. Applicants may be of any nationality but should be normally resident in the UK. The awards are intended to support individual travel and may not be used for commercial purposes or to fund participation in activities arranged by another organisation.

The RSAA's focus is on contemporary Asia and its recent history. Travel Award applications may relate to any aspect of this remit. In the current round, the Society will particularly welcome applications relating to:

Colonialism and its Legacies – the study of the cultural, political, and economic experiences and legacies of colonialism and imperialism in Asia.

Exploration – the geographical, environmental, cultural, or historical exploration of countries, regions, or peoples of post-1900 Asia.

Technology and the State – studies of technological advancement and its applications in infrastructure, surveillance and communication (including social media) in contemporary Asia.

Awards may be up to £2,000 and include two-years' membership of the Society, giving access to the Society's network, events and publications.

Successful applicants are expected to make a presentation to a Society meeting or to submit an article to the Society's journal, *Asian Affairs*, drawing on their research within twelve months of taking up the award.

Applications can be made online at rsaa.org.uk/awards/the-rsaa-travel-awards/ or by returning the attached printable version.

The Society aims to make awards on the basis of written submissions alone, but may in some cases, invite candidates to an interview. Decisions will be based on the originality and coherence of the project and the degree to which it is likely to contribute to advances in scholarly or other public knowledge.

Applications must be received by the RSAA no later than 31 January 2024. The Society expects to inform candidates of the outcome of their applications by 28 February 2024.



Travel Awards 2024 – Application Form

First Name:

Last Name:

Email:

Correspondence Address:

Date of Birth:

Current position/academic institution (if any):

Brief itinerary – explain your project and travel plans and highlight how your proposed project will advance scholarly or other public knowledge. Please include anticipated dates and duration of travel. (Maximum 500 words – continue on an additional sheet as necessary.)

Costs - Outline the expected costs of your planned trip and how they will be met

Please enclose with your application a copy of your CV (maximum two pages) and two letters of reference. If you are currently studying for a degree, one of your referees should be your academic supervisor.

Terms and Conditions

1. Awards are intended to support individual travel and may not be used for commercial purposes or to fund participation in activities arranged by another organisation.
2. Applicants must be aged 21-28 at the time of application.
3. Applicants should be normally resident in the UK.
4. Current staff and trustees of the RSAA and their close relatives are not eligible.
5. Awards are made by the Royal Society for Asian Affairs in its absolute discretion and its decisions are final.
6. Applicants agree that if successful they will make a presentation to a Society meeting or submit an article to the Society's journal, Asian Affairs, drawing on their research within twelve months of taking up the award and that failure to do so may result in the revocation of the award and the RSAA requiring the return of the awarded sum of money or any part thereof.

Please sign to confirm that you have read and accept the terms and conditions.

Signed:

Date

When completed, this form and attachments may be emailed to travelawards@rsaa.org.uk or posted to: Travel Awards, The Royal Society for Asian Affairs, 16 Old Queen Street, London SW1H 9HP. Applications must be received by the RSAA no later than 31 January 2024.