



## *The Australasian Society for Classical Studies*

### **“EARLY-CAREER” AWARD**

The “Early-Career” Award is intended to offer acknowledgement and some financial support to those who are “early-career” scholars, namely those who are post-doctorate without a full-time teaching or research position.

#### **The Award**

An annual award of AUD\$2000 will be made to a promising early-career scholar. The intention is that the award will be made to those who are not holding a full-time teaching or research position or receiving a full-time salary.

#### **Criteria**

Applicants must be within a five-year period after being awarded a doctorate by research in the field of Classics, Ancient History, Archaeology, or other related fields, at an Australian or New Zealand university. Applicants must be citizens of, or have permanent residency status in, either Australia or New Zealand, and must be members of ASCS.

The award can be used, for example, to enable travel for further research, or to access publications and library resources to advance the research topic, or to assist in the publication costs of the original thesis. [It is recognised that having to make a contribution towards the publication costs of a thesis – a necessary career step – is often a reality].

The successful applicant will also be required, within two years of the receipt of the award, to submit a substantial article to the Society’s journal *Antichthon* (on a topic related to the research being supported by the award or the thesis being published). The article will, however, still be subject to the usual refereeing and acceptance procedures as for all other submissions to the journal.

#### **Application Procedure**

If the award is to be used for further research, applicants should outline in no more than two pages the proposed research, and some detail about how the award would be utilised to pursue that research project.

If the award money is to be used for publishing the original doctoral thesis, then a statement from the intended publisher about its acceptance and/or costings should be provided.

Also required:

- A copy of the title page of the thesis, the table of contents, the introduction and/or the conclusion. This material should be kept to no more than ten pages.
- Copies of the examiners’ reports on the thesis
- A brief CV outlining tertiary education, publications, and conference papers [evidence of interruption of career during the five-year period (e.g. maternity leave) can be submitted as part of the CV]
- Evidence of the date of the award of the doctoral degree
- A confidential reference from the supervisor(s) of the thesis commenting on the applicant’s personal attributes, ability to pursue further research, relevant experiences, and present employment situation. This reference should be sent direct to the Secretary.

Applications should be submitted to the Secretary by the end of November each year. Unsuccessful applications may be resubmitted in subsequent years, provided they comply with the “early scholar” definition.

## **Assessment of Applications**

The general conduct of the scheme will be in the hands of one of the Society's Vice Presidents.

The applications are to be assessed by two senior members of the Society who have not been associated with the applicants' doctoral candidature or subsequent research.

Selection will be based on the merit both of the candidate (in the light of the examiners' reports on the thesis and subsequent research history), and of the proposed research project, and of the uses to which the award will be put.

Applications and further enquiries should be sent to:

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