Nordic Research Network (NRN) - Student Bursaries

# Background

The Scottish Archaeological Research Framework (ScARF) is a free online resource ([www.scottishheritagehub.com](http://www.scottishheritagehub.com)), designed to reflect the current state of knowledge regarding Scotland’s past.

ScARF is run by the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland ([www.socantscot.org](http://www.socantscot.org)) -Scotland’s oldest antiquarian society, founded in 1780 to study the archaeology and history of Scotland.

Today the Society is an independent charity that:

* Champions the role and value of research
* Promotes the discussion and sharing of knowledge-
* Enhances public understanding of the past
* Advocates good practice and influences policy making

We publish high-quality books and peer reviewed reports, programme prestigious lectures and conferences, award research grants and prizes and deliver special projects focusing on the archaeological and historic environment.

Nearly three thousand people world-wide are Fellows including young researchers, established academics and heritage experts.

To this end we are delighted to support the Nordic Research Network (NRN) conference ‘*Bridges Between: Norse and Insular Worlds AD 500-1500’*. (<http://www.nordicresearchnetwork.co.uk/nrn-2016-glasgow1.html> ) by offering five student bursaries to encourage attendance by early career researchers.

# Bursary Information

Five Scottish Archaeological Research Framework student bursaries for the Nordic Research Network (NRN) conference ‘*Bridges Between: Norse and Insular Worlds AD 500-1500’* will cover the cost of:

1. The Student registration fee for the Nordic Research Network (NRN) conference ‘*Bridges Between: Norse and Insular Worlds AD 500-1500’*, worth £10;
2. One and a half years complementary Student Fellowship of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland subject to election, worth £30.

# Criteria

The Scottish Archaeological Research Framework bursaries are open to any currently enrolled undergraduate or postgraduate students. There are no geographical restrictions to eligibility and we welcome applications from students who reside and study outside of Scotland. Please note that we are not able to cover travel to and from the conference or accommodation. Successful applicants will be expected to fulfil the following qualifying criteria:

1. Be currently conducting research that demonstrates a clear connection to Scottish archaeology or archaeological data;
2. Be able to submit a short report (c.300-500 words) by the end of June 2016 which outlines how you have benefitted from attendance for the Nordic Research Network (NRN) conference ‘*Bridges Between: Norse and Insular Worlds AD 500-1500’.*
3. Understand that as ScARF is a project to highlight current archaeological research in Scotland, that we will ask you to contribute to a ScARF panel report by either providing a short (c.300-500 words) piece of text or digital poster that shows how your research fits into an existing ScARF panel report OR provides new research that will enrich the ScARF resource.
4. Understand that your report and/or piece of research may be used in a future Society of Antiquaries of Scotland newsletter or blog; and
5. Name and contact details for two referees who will support your application, one of whom will be your head of subject/department.

**Deadline for submission of application Friday 15th April 2016**

**Applicants advised of outcome by Wednesday 20th April 2016**

Student Bursary Application Form

Complete and return the application to: [emma@socantscot.org](mailto:emma@socantscot.org)

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| First Name |  |
| Last Name |  |
| Title |  |
| Home address |  |
| Student status (e.g. Undergrad/PhD) |  |
| Name of institution |  |
| Address of institution |  |
| Summary of Research Focus  Please articulate clearly how your research is related to the Nordic Research Network (NRN) conference ‘*Bridges Between: Norse and Insular Worlds AD 500-1500’* conference in general and the archaeological and/or historic environment of Scotland in particular.  (200 word limit) |  |
| Qualifications |  |
| Are you in receipt of a Student Scholarship (or funding towards your studies)? | Y / N (delete as appropriate) |
| Scholarship/funding provider |  |
| Other funders approached to attend the Nordic Research Network (NRN) conference ‘*Bridges Between: Norse and Insular Worlds AD 500-1500’* conference and decision dates/resulting decisions (verification may be requested) |  |
| Please indicate briefly how you anticipate attendance at the Nordic Research Network (NRN) conference ‘*Bridges Between: Norse and Insular Worlds AD 500-1500’* conference will enhance your research and/or professional development (300 word limit) |  |
| Referee 1 (*head of subject/department*) Name, email and telephone number |  |
| Referee 2  Name, email, telephone number and relationship to applicant |  |