

## **The Mark Younger Rylands PhD Scholarship**

**Deadline for applications: Monday 15 January 2018**

The John Rylands Research Institute is pleased to offer one three-year PhD scholarship, which will focus on the Greek papyri of the John Rylands Collection. The candidate must have a very good first degree (at least a high 2i) and an MA at Merit, or higher, in Classics, Ancient History or related subjects. Fluent written and spoken English and knowledge of ancient Greek are essential; previous knowledge of Greek papyrology and/or palaeography is desirable.

The successful candidate will be affiliated to the John Rylands Research Institute, but is also expected to take part in graduate activities of the School of Arts Languages and Cultures (Department of Classics and Ancient History).

### **The award**

The topic of the PhD dissertation must relate to the Rylands Greek Papyri.

The award will cover Home/EU fees and an annual stipend of £16,000 to support living costs. The award will commence in the 2018/19 academic year for a period of three years, subject to satisfactory academic progress and good conduct.

### **To submit an application**

Before submitting an application, all applications should first approach and obtain approval from Dr Roberta Mazza, detailing a project that will utilise the collection in question.

You should then apply to the PhD programme of the department within which your proposed subject falls, using the University of Manchester's online application form. This must include the standard supporting documentation: research proposal; academic references; transcripts; degree certificate(s); English language test certificate (where applicable). Please indicate on the online application form (under the heading 'Funding') that you would like to be considered for the John Rylands Research Institute Scholarship. You will be asked to submit a research proposal of no more than 1000 words (the word-count to include footnotes but exclude bibliography), detailing how you would approach your research topic.

Application forms can be found on the website for the School of Arts, Languages and Cultures: <http://www.alc.manchester.ac.uk/study/postgraduate-research/applying/>

For general guidance relating to this scholarship, please contact the Manager of the John Rylands Research Institute, Dr Sarah May: [sarah.may@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:sarah.may@manchester.ac.uk). For subject-specific guidance, please contact Dr Roberta Mazza: [roberta.mazza@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:roberta.mazza@manchester.ac.uk).