

Sir Maurice and Lady Irene Hatter Research Grants

General:

The Sir Maurice and Lady Irene Hatter Research Grants are intended to support coastal and maritime research being carried out by students in the Department of Maritime Civilizations and the Leon Recanati Institute for Maritime Studies, University of Haifa.

Eligibility:

M.A. students (after the approval of their research proposal), Ph.D. students (after the approval of their research proposal, Stage 2) and students in the Direct Track towards their Ph.D. (following approval of their research proposal) who are enrolled in the Department of Maritime Civilizations and whose academic standing is in order, according to the Graduate Studies Authority regulations, are eligible for the Sir Maurice and Lady Irene Hatter Research Grant.

Candidacy:

Students interested in applying for the Sir Maurice and Lady Irene Hatter Research Grants will submit their requests to the office of the Department of Maritime Civilizations by e-mail (as a word document). There is no need for additional documents. Candidates will include in their request the following: 1. Research program (up to 5 pages) for which the grant is being requested, including: topic, research aims, research questions, background information, materials & methods, timetable, budget, bibliography (it is recommended that candidates add references that are not cited in the research proposal and that will be used during the research). The research grant request must be signed by the research advisors.

Criteria:

The Department of Maritime Civilizations faculty members will choose the grant recipients based on the scientific excellence of the research to be carried out by the candidate and its bearing to the sea.

Timetable:

Grant requests are to be submitted to the Chairperson of the Department of Maritime Civilizations no later than the beginning of the second semester. The list of candidates will be sent to the Graduate Studies Authority for approval of students' academic standing, according to the regulations of the Graduate Studies Authority. The grants will be awarded toward the end of the academic year. Upon receiving approval of the grant 50% of the funds will be paid into the student's bank account. The second payment of 25% will only be paid after the submission, by the research advisor, of a scientific progress report and a financial statement summarizing project finances (funds used). The balance, remaining 25%, of the grant will be transferred to the student upon submission of the dissertation for evaluation.

Obligations:

Sir Maurice and Lady Irene Hatter Research Grants awardees will sign a commitment that they will repay the award to the Hatter endowment fund if they do not complete their research, leave the graduate program or do not submit a financial report that matches the budget in their approved proposal. In exceptional cases, a one-year research suspension will be allowed. Students that do not submit a progress report to the Chairperson of the Department for Maritime Civilizations one year after receiving the 1st payment will not receive the balance of the award; the balance will be returned to the Hatter endowment fund. Students that have not completed their studies within the normative period of 3 years will not receive the final balance.

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