



D.P. Singhal Travel Grant

(Established in 1995 from a fund that includes a bequest of \$25,000 to the University under the will of the late Professor D.P. Singhal, who taught Indian History at the University for 25 years, and donations from friends and colleagues of Professor Singhal to commemorate his contribution to the intellectual life of the University in ways reflecting his scholarly interests.)

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Grant is to enable a student from The University of Queensland to travel to India to engage in research related to Indian history, culture or religion or language study related to research activities, for a maximum period of 6 months.

2. Definitions

In these rules –

Head means the Head of School, School of Historical and Philosophical Inquiry.

Associate Dean means Associate Dean (Academic), Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.

Approved Program means any program administered by the School of Historical and Philosophical Inquiry where a recipient could undertake research into Indian history, culture, language, religion or philosophy.

Grant means the D.P. Singhal Travel Grant.

3. Award and value of the Grant

- (1) The Grant is to be awarded annually on the recommendation of the Head.
- (2) The amount of the Grant will be at least \$10,000.

4. Eligibility for award

An applicant is eligible for the Grant, if the applicant –

- a) submits an application to the Head, by the closing date for applications;
- b) is enrolled in an Approved Program;
- c) does not hold another travel scholarship or grant;
- d) has not previously held the Grant; and
- e) submits a personal statement as outlined at paragraph 5(2)(b) below.

5. Selection of award

- (1) For the selection process, the Head must establish a selection committee, comprising –
 - (a) the Head, or nominee, as chair of the committee; and
 - (b) two academic representatives, one of whom has expertise in the research area.
- (2) The Grant will be awarded based on the following criteria –
 - (a) academic capability and future academic potential;
 - (b) demonstrated level of interest in researching Indian history, culture or religion as evidenced by personal statement included in the application;
 - (c) strength of the proposed research project in India; and
 - (d) any other evidence which may be deemed relevant to the applicant's future success in their field of study.



6. Conditions for the Grant

- (1) The Grant will be paid upfront in one instalment on submission of documentation to support travel arrangements and within three months of intended departure date.
- (2) The recipient may apply to defer the Grant for a maximum period of 12 months, and only in exceptional circumstances as approved by the Associate Dean.