

Masters by Research Scholarship Ad

Research Opportunity In :	Fine Art / LSAD
Research Centre:	School of Art and Design Postgraduate Centre (in collaboration with the Ralahine Centre for Utopian Studies, University of Limerick)
Title of Proposed Research Degree Project:	<i>Visions of Utopia in 19th and 21st Century Ireland: A Len-based Study of the Ralahine and Cloughjordan Intentional Communities.</i>
Description:	The research project concerns the comparative development of intentional communities in the mid-West region of Ireland in pre-20 th century and post-20 th century periods; as initiatives that respond to economic and environmental demands specific to the periods in question from a utopian perspective. This is a practice-based research position based in lens-based media that involves site-specific work, community engagement, and extensive research in the national archives. The candidate will be expected to respond to the Ralahine site in East Clare and the Cloughjordan site in North Tipperary, by way of exploring the resonance these initiatives now have for the mid-West region in particular. The purpose of the MA by Research is to explore – specifically – the impact these initiatives have had on the socio-economic identity of the region today.
Scholarships Condition:	Funded by the Graduate Research Office – Postgraduate Fees for a period up to two years full-time.
Requirements of Candidate:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Level 8 Honours Degree in an appropriate field of study is essential (Grade 1:1 degree preferable, applications considered with a Grade 2:2 or higher with relevant experience), ▪ Experience of advanced research and relevant work experience ▪ Commitment to a 24-month programme of study and research full-time ▪ Self-motivated with an ability to be self-directed in much of their own work ▪ Able to plan work over longer periods and have strong writing and analytical skills ▪ Interest in pursuing a career in academia and/or research ▪ Interest in pursuing postgraduate studies in areas related to contemporary art, moving image and lens-based media, and Utopian Studies.

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Deadline for applications:	October 7 th 2018
Application Process:	Application forms to be emailed to the Graduate Studies and Research Office, LIT. Email: <u>graduatestudies@lit.ie</u> For queries on application process please contact: <u>graduatestudies@lit.ie</u>