



MA Cultural and Curatorial Research Scholarship

Roscommon County Council Arts Office in partnership with King House, Boyle

Scholarship Overview

This funded research degree programme has been co-developed with Roscommon County Council Arts Office and linked partners at King House, Boyle, a local authority venue. It offers an embedded cultural and curatorial experience designed to support your learning and research in cultural management and curatorial studies with a focus on the Boyle Civic Art Collection.

- Role: Masters Research Scholar
- **Focus:** Develop a hands-on research investigation within the cultural and curatorial context of Roscommon Arts Office and Boyle Civic Art Collection.
- **Objective:** Gain real-world experience in cultural management, archival practices, exhibition planning and public engagement while contributing to the ongoing success of arts initiatives in Roscommon.

Key Responsibilities

- Collaborate with Roscommon Arts Office, King House and the Boyle Civic Art Collection Trustees to archive and document the current Boyle Civic Art Collection.
- Work closely with King House and the Collection Trustees to plan and implement a dynamic programme for the Boyle Civic Art Collection.
- Engage in public art projects and support the delivery of events, outreach, and policy initiatives.
- Shadow the Arts Officer and Venue Manager and participate in team meetings to understand the operational and curatorial facets of a thriving arts environment.
- Contribute to research by evaluating practices and formulating recommendations to enhance cultural programming.

Benefits

- Scholarship: Funded MA by Research at LSAD TUS, based at King House, Boyle.
- Course fees covered, €19,000 stipend funded by Roscommon County Council Arts Office.

Elevate your career in visual arts engagement with this unique opportunity and become a part of an innovative partnership to animate the Boyle Civic Art Collection for communities in Roscommon, while also immersing yourself in Roscommon local authority arts and culture planning and programme delivery.

Please note that candidates awarded this Scholarship will be required to a follow the University policies and procedures on Fitness to Practice and Work Placement.









Research Environment

Immerse yourself in a dynamic cultural setting within Roscommon, where the Arts Office plays a central role in running and supporting diverse arts events and initiatives throughout the county. This programme provides a unique opportunity to work with the nationally recognised Boyle Civic Art Collection—totalling over 300 pieces by contemporary Irish artists—and engage with a wide array of creative professionals who work with the Arts Office and with King House including musicians, dancers, writers, filmmakers, and visual artists. Your research will be enriched by close interaction with key cultural policies, strategic arts frameworks and innovative community outreach projects. See https://www.visitkinghouse.ie/the-house/cultural-collections/boyle-civic-art-collection/

Candidate Requirements

Minimum Requirements:

- A relevant undergraduate degree (minimum 2:2 or higher) in cultural studies, arts administration, museum studies, or a cognate field.
- A strong interest in cultural management, curatorial research, the visual arts and the practical application of archival and exhibition practices.
- Demonstrable organisational, IT, and communication skills.
- Ability to work effectively both independently and within a small team.

Desirable Requirements:

- Prior experience in arts administration or engagement with cultural institutions.
- Familiarity with archival methods and project management.
- Interest in Irish contemporary artists.
- Excellent interpersonal skills and a proactive, adaptable approach.

Application Process:

To apply, please submit the following:

- Download TUS Scholarship Application Form here
- Academic transcripts and any additional supporting documents relevant to your application.

Application closing date: Monday 28th April 2025, 4pm

Interviews in person. However, online requests will be considered: Friday 9th May 2025

Scholarship start date: **End June 2025**

Submit all queries to graduateschool@tus.ie.

Submit Application form and relevant documentation to the Graduate Research Office by email to pro@tus.ie with subject line **ROSCOMMON SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION.**



