

The aim of the Farmington Institute is to support and encourage Head teachers working in values and standards and teachers of Religious Education in schools.

The Institute awards Scholarships to UK based Head teachers and Teachers of Religious Education and associated subjects and publishes papers and reports, and arranges conferences.

What type of Scholarships are available?

Scholarships are divided into two types: university-based and school/home based. Teachers who live within a reasonable distance of one of the selected universities or colleges may be awarded a university-based Scholarship.

University based Scholarships awarded may be taken in the form of day release up to 30 days, the Scholarships to be taken within university terms. The academic facilities of the universities/colleges are available for University based Scholars.

Teachers awarded school/home-based Scholarships will be assigned a Farmington Tutor. The Scholarship may be taken in the form of day release, for instance for one day a week over a term or over the year, or for continuous periods up to a maximum of 30 days.

Our selected universities/colleges are:

Bath: Bath Spa University (Study of Religions Department) **Belfast:** Queen's University Belfast, St Mary's University

College and Stranmillis University College

Bristol: University of Bristol

Cambridge: University of Cambridge, Faculty of

Education/Homerton College

Durham: St Chad's College, University of Durham **Exeter:** University of Exeter (School of Education)

Glasgow: University of Strathclyde (Faculty of Education) and

University of Glasgow

Lampeter/Carmarthen: University of Wales Trinity Saint

David

Lincoln: Bishop Grosseteste University and University of

Lincoln

Liverpool: Liverpool Hope University and Liverpool John

Moore University

London: St Mary's University, Twickenham

Norwich: University of East Anglia

Warwick: University of Warwick (Religions and Education

Research Unit)

York: York St John University

Who is eligible?

The Scholarships are for teachers of Religious Education in UK secondary schools, primary school RE Co-ordinators, or other primary school teachers involved in teaching RE and associated subjects, and teachers of children with Special Educational Needs who are involved with RE. Applications from Head teachers who wish to undertake research which would be of help to their schools are also welcome. Applicants should have held their present post for at least two years.

Which subjects?

Head teachers can study any subjects which would be helpful to their schools. School Teacher Scholars are free to study any aspect of Religious Education they wish, but preference will be given to applicants whose work can be seen to be of direct value to the teaching of RE in schools. Occasionally, the Institute, in conjunction with one of its partner universities or colleges, may advertise for an RE teacher to undertake research on a specific topic which is relevant to RE.

How much will it cost?

The Scholarship will cover the cost of tuition, essential local travel and, by negotiation with the school, the salary of a replacement teacher up to point 6 of the main pay scale.

What is required of Scholars?

All Scholars are expected to produce an outline study plan of their project, which must be sent to the Farmington Institute before the start of their Scholarship. Towards the end of the Scholarship, the Scholar will give a presentation on their work at the university/school and again at our 2022 conference. All Scholars are expected to produce a written report on the work they have undertaken, which must be sent to the Farmington Institute on completion of the Scholarship.

During the period of the Scholarship, there will be regular tutorials and at least one visit to the Farmington Institute.

Scholars are required to attend the Scholars' Conference before their Scholarship and the Conference after their Scholarship. Scholars who are still teaching RE will be invited to all subsequent conferences.

The 2021 Conference will take place from 6pm on Friday 25th June, to 2.3opm on Sunday 27th June 2021. The 2022 Conference will take place from Friday 24th June to Sunday 26th June 2022.

Applications

Application forms can be obtained by emailing:

farmington@hmc.ox.ac.uk

or by visiting our website at www.farmington.ac.uk

The closing date for applications for the academic year 2021 – 2022 is Sunday 31st January 2021.

Applicants may be asked to come for interview by the Selection Board. Interviews for Scholarships will take place in February – April 2021.

Enquiries

Further information about the Farmington Institute, its Scholarships and the work of previous Scholars is to be found on the Farmington website: www.farmington.ac.uk.

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