



SIEG & DUNLOP TRAVEL BURSARY
to attend the International Congress on Medieval Studies (ICMS)
(Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, USA)

The Sieg & Dunlop Travel Bursary, the core component of the Louis & Nellie Sieg and Frank G. & Gertrude Dunlap Scholarship Fund administered by Galway University Foundation, has been endowed by a donation from a private family foundation in Michigan. Its purpose is to assist postgraduate students (in the first instance) or researchers in Medieval Studies at NUI, Galway who are attending the International Congress on Medieval Studies (ICMS), hosted annually in May by Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo. Grants are capped at a maximum of US\$1,500 per recipient and will not exceed vouched travel & conference expenses.

Recipients are selected annually by a panel of academics convened by the Director of the MA in Medieval Studies and are required to submit a brief report of their activities to the Galway University Foundation for transmission to the trustees of the family foundation.

Normally, one recipient will be selected from amongst qualified applicants and that recipient can expect to present a paper at the ICMS. In years in which more than one bursary is granted, at least one of the recipients will present a paper. It is possible that no award will be made in some years.

Applicants intending to present a paper should consult the submissions page for future Congresses at <http://www.wmich.edu/medieval/congress/submissions/index.html>. The official call for papers is posted in early July. Submissions to Sponsored or Special Sessions are recommended.

Submit an abstract to the ICMS as soon as possible & before you submit your **application for the bursary, due on 15th August**. It is quite possible that an award will be made to someone who has not received a formal acceptance by that time.

Notable research facilities on the WMU campus to which conferees have access include Waldo Library, the Institute of Cistercian Studies, and the Richard Rawlinson Center in Anglo-Saxon Studies and Manuscript Research. Links are available at <http://www.wmich.edu/>

Over the course of their postgraduate studies at NUI, Galway, students normally may receive only one Sieg & Dunlop Travel Bursary, although they might apply on multiple occasions. Applicants benefiting from other awards for the same purpose are discouraged from applying.

Preference within the pool of qualified applicants normally will be given to:

1. Students giving a paper who are presently or recently affiliated with the MA in Medieval Studies.
2. Students pursuing a postgraduate degree (MA, MLitt, PhD) in a medieval or cognate period, such as construed by CAMPS (specific discipline open), who will present a paper.
3. Students from disciplines not represented by recipients in the previous 1-3 years (when possible).
4. Students who propose to undertake research for current projects in addition to presenting a paper.

When no suitable student applicants are found, recipients can be selected from researchers in Medieval Studies, such as postdoctoral researchers or members of academic staff, who may be planning to present a paper, do research, or attend a board meeting of an academic journal or society held at the ICMS. Preference will be given to researchers who are affiliated with CAMPS.



**APPLICATION FORM
SIEG & DUNLOP TRAVEL BURSARY
for travel to the International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, MI (USA)**

**Send the completed form, attached to any accompanying documentation, to:
Dr. K.A. LoPrete, History/Humanities, NUI, Galway (kim.loprete@nuigalway.ie)**

**Students' applications must be received by 5 p.m., 15th August
Student awards usually will be announced by 1st September.**

**Researchers should consult Dr LoPrete around 1st September
to see whether & when formal application should be made.**

Name: _____

Student [] **Researcher/Staff** []
Current degree programme & discipline _____ Position: _____

Links to the MA in Medieval Studies &/or CAMPs: _____

I last attended the ICMS in _____ **I received a Sieg & Dunlap grant in** _____

I have also applied for funding from _____

Amount applied for: _____ Date of Notification: _____

Reason for travel to the ICMS in Kalamazoo:

[] **I:** Presenting a paper; title: _____
*If a student, please provide an abstract of your paper (approx. 300 words), with name of the session to which you submitted it, & a brief personal statement on how attending the ICMS will be of benefit to your development as a scholar; if your abstract has been accepted, please also include a copy of your letter of acceptance.
If a researcher, please provide an abstract of your paper & letter of acceptance from the session organiser.*

[] **II:** Research at WMU; project title: _____
If so, please provide a project description (50-150 words) & a bibliography of items to be consulted.

[] **III:** Other (e.g., attendance; editorial or society board meeting): _____

If so, please provide a statement (up to 300 wds) indicating how attending the ICMS will be of academic or professional benefit.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____