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Applications are invited for a scholarship leading to the degree of PhD in the School Humanities (Department of English and Creative Writing), University of Adelaide

The scholarship is supported by the University of Adelaide and is part of an Australian Research Council Special Research Initiative in Australian Society, History and Culture, **SR200200704: Between Indian and Pacific Oceans: Reframing Australian Literatures** (Chief Investigators: Mandy Treagus and Meg Samuelson). The appointee will also be affiliated with the Stories from the South research cluster in the School of Humanities.

This project aims to analyse the presence and role of Pacific and Indian Oceans in Australian literature from the mid-nineteenth century until the present. Using innovative approaches developed from interdisciplinary oceanic and archipelagic studies, the project aims to generate new knowledge about how Australian culture has formed in relation to these oceanic regions and to contribute to current debates about Australia's place in the world.

The Higher Degree candidate will develop a stand-alone study within this project under the supervision of both Chief Investigators and will also have the opportunity to participate in regular project meetings, workshops and symposiums. Possible research topics could include enquiries into one or more of the following areas within the broad field of Australian literatures and which engage specifically with the Pacific and/or Indian oceans:

- Anthropocene oceans
- Archipelagic configurations
- Coastal and/or estuarine imaginaries
- Genre at sea
- Geopolitics at sea
- Literary tourism
- Literatures of Australia's labour diasporas
- Marine ecologies and/or multispecies relations
- Maritime and/or coastal labour and/or leisure practices
- Migrant and/or refugee writing
- Nineteenth-century travel writing
- Oceanic histories
- Pelagic and/or territorial waters
- Sea Country / Saltwater Country
- Submarine imaginaries

Potential candidates will be invited to submit short proposals (approx. 1,000 words) for consideration. In the first instance, please send an expression of interest to Mandy Treagus (email below) to receive further information on the application procedure.

Eligibility: Applicants will have a minimum of Honours 2A result or equivalent in literary studies or related disciplines, and must be citizens or permanent residents of

Australia, citizens of New Zealand, or permanent humanitarian visa holders at the time of application.

Stipend: The scholarship will be for three years' full-time study, with a stipend of \$28,597 per annum (2021 rate) for up to 3 years (indexed annually). It is likely to be tax exempt, subject to Taxation Office approval. Details of other terms and benefits can be found at [Conditions for Award](#).

The candidate will commence their studies by no later than May 1, 2021.

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Applying: Short-listed candidates will need to submit an Application for Admission using the Online Application Form available at:
<https://hdrapp.adelaide.edu.au/auth/login>

Closing date: Monday November 16, 2020.