



— Global e-Festival —

2nd–18th June 2021

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## Conference Bursary Guidelines

The Regional Studies Association is pleased to announce a number of conference bursaries for its Regions in Recovery Global E-Festival.

Conference bursaries are available to current RSA members with preference being given to research students, those in the early part of their career and those from countries with accepted funding difficulties. The bursary takes the form of a free festival place.

The bursary scheme operates on the basis of the following guidelines:

1. Upon time of receiving the bursary you must be a member of the Regional Studies Association.
2. You must not have received an RSA bursary in the past three years.
3. Applications should be sent to the Regional Studies Office and should state:
  - the reasons for your application (e.g. cost implications; student/early career status, or other circumstances);
  - name of institution, department, and where you will be travelling from;
  - abstract of up to 500 words
4. Applications must be in writing and be submitted to Lesa Reynolds by email to [lesa.reynolds@regionalstudies.org](mailto:lesa.reynolds@regionalstudies.org) no later than 15th March 2021 23:59 (GMT) (Extended Deadline).
5. Decisions will be made by the Festival Bursary Committee after the submission deadline based on quality of the abstracts received.
6. Preference will then be given to those who might reasonably be expected to find it hard to obtain funding to attend the Festival e.g. research students, early career members and those from countries with accepted funding difficulties.
7. Failure to attend: The bursary scheme will prove popular and as places are limited some people will be disappointed. To ensure attendance at the event, we require a credit/debit card to secure the free place. If you attend the credit card will not be charged. If you fail to attend without notice in writing 3 weeks prior to the event, the card will be charged for the full Festival fee.
8. Agreement: If you are successful in your application we will ask you to read and sign a bursary acceptance form stating the terms and conditions of the bursary and the charge to a credit card if you fail to attend. Upon receipt of this signed contract, we will confirm your bursary place.
9. A 300- word minimum festival report will have to be provided within 2 weeks of the festival. The Association reserves the right to publish this report with photos on the website or/and in e-Zine Regions, RSA Blog.