

Fergus Harris Ad-hoc Travel Scholarship Award Winner 2022
A special award for a project to shed light on plight of Ukrainian refugees



Cardiff University journalism student Fergus Harris has been awarded a one-off special Award by the WLCow to report on the experiences of refugees fleeing Ukraine as his major master's project.



Here he explains his project in his own words:

"I am planning to report on the situation and story of Ukrainian refugees first-hand in various locations I will produce a TV package as part of my MA studies.

I will be looking at:

- *The experiences of refugees in the UK and in Poland*
- *The processes involved in their resettlement,*
- *Why they have chosen to be where they are now*
- *When they believe they may return home?*

I will begin by talking to refugees in Wales, including those settled by the Urdd.

In July I will begin the Polish leg of my project, I will be travelling around the country starting in Krakow. After this I will travel to Ternow, Premysl, Medyka, Lublin, Warsaw and finally Gdansk. I will be visiting refugees who have settled well in Poland, and some who have not.



I am incredibly grateful to the WLCow for providing the funding for me to be able to do this, and for believing in my idea. I'm especially interested in war reporting, human geography and geopolitics, and this bursary has made it possible for me to take the first step towards a career in this field.

I look forward to telling you about it when I'm back!"

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On Wednesday 15th June 2022, the Immediate Past Master Dr. Kathy Seddon presented the special project ad hoc Travel Scholarship Award to Fergus Harris at Cardiff University's Glamorgan Building. Liveryman Andrew Board, Junior Warden Agnes Xavier- Phillips and Matt Walsh, Head of School of Journalism, Media and Culture were in attendance.