



The Finn Randall Travel Award was established in memory of Finn Randall, an alumnus of the University of Strathclyde and an intrepid traveller.

Finn's travels were multiple and extensive, taking in Europe, North America and above all Scotland during his time at the University of Strathclyde. Finn was always very entrepreneurial in his travelling; hitch-hiking much of the time or offering to work in exchange for board and lodging. The focus was on remaining simple and as in touch with the locals as possible. No frills, lots of great experiences and a spirit of adventure.

FINN RANDALL OPEN TRAVEL AWARD 2026

Deadline for applications: 5pm, Thursday 30th April 2026

The Finn Randall Travel Award was established to assist two registered students of the University with the cost of a particular scheme of travel which is considered to be the most **enterprising** and also **relevant** to their course of study.

Eligibility/Regulations

- The Award is open to current registered postgraduate and undergraduate students of the University of Strathclyde;
- The Award is not granted for conference travel, research visits, fieldwork or any travel associated with, or part of, a course/programme/PhD;
- The Award cannot be given for the purpose of travel to the University;
- Incomplete applications cannot be considered;
- The proposed travel may not commence prior to the application deadline.
- Applications for travel that has already taken place cannot be considered.
- If you are unsure about the eligibility of your proposed travel purpose, please contact the PGR Funding Team.

Further Information

- One enterprising application will be awarded.
- The amount of an Award will be £600;
- The final decision on the successful applicant is made by the family of Finn Randall;
- After the travel dates, the successful applicant will be required to provide a report on their travels to those who established the Award. The report is to be submitted to the University in the first instance.



Previous Successful Awards

- A second year PhD Law student volunteered in Ecuador and undertook language training in Ecuador to improve their Spanish skills and enhance their understanding of international law negotiations in South America.
- An MPharm student volunteered with a mobile pharmacy team as part of a medical team outreach in Madagascar and had a placement in a local community pharmacy.
- A BEd Primary Education student set up and ran a Summer Camp for children in Romania.
- An undergraduate in English Studies undertook a poetic voyage of discovery round Northern Italy visiting places with literary connections to use this experience as raw material for their own poetry.
- An undergraduate student in SIPBS undertook a trip to the Amazonian jungles of Colombia to learn how native populations derive medicines from their environment.
- A PhD Outdoor Education student undertook an expedition to Mongolia to climb various peaks and map the area.
- A Masters student in International Business undertook an internship with a fashion company in Argentina, helping develop social media strategies for the company and learning about the business.
- An undergraduate student studying French and Italian explored the Indo-Asian islands to gain understanding of the etymology of languages.

Data Protection

- Information you provide in this application form, combined with academic information held by the University, will be used to assess your suitability for the Award.
- Application information will be shared with the selection panel, including representatives from the family of Finn Randall. Applications will be shared with the aforementioned parties as password-protected PDF files.
- For recipients of an Award, a post-travel report will also be shared with the family of Finn Randall.
- For more information about how your personal data will be processed, including information on your rights under data protection legislation, please see the Privacy Notice for Registered Students, available via the [Data Protection Privacy Notice page](#) of the University website.

To apply, please submit the following documents electronically, as one PDF document, if possible, by 5pm, Thursday 30th April 2026 to the PGR Funding Team: rkes-pgrfunding@strath.ac.uk

1. A completed application form, which includes:
 - Applicant and course details
 - Proposed travel details
 - An applicant support statement
 - A brief statement from an appropriate member of academic staff who is able to comment on the significance of your travel plans in relation to your course of study
 - this could be the Head of Department, course tutor, or supervisor (as appropriate).
2. A CV to include your school and university records, academic or other distinctions gained and interests and extra-curricular activities.