



Society for Army Historical Research Fellowships

Outline and Nomination Procedure (Revised June 2026)

The SAHR fellowship scheme recognises distinguished contributions to the history of the Land Forces of the Crown in the form of the British Army or the armies of the former British Empire, the Commonwealth, or British colonial territories. Fellowship awards can also recognise service to the Society.

Awards are made annually by Council to individuals nominated by the membership during the preceding year.

Nomination of potential Fellows must be made by Members of the Society proposing candidates to the Hon. Secretary and evidence must be presented to justify the award.

The criteria for awards are as follows:

- As a 'lifetime achievement' award to a distinguished scholar of the Land Forces of the British Crown.
- To mark a significant contribution to the history of the land forces of the British Crown, and/or to the Society, which might include, but is not restricted to:
 - A feat of scholarship not eligible for any of our existing prizes or awards (for example, a museum exhibition or an on-line resource)
 - Significant and sustained contribution to our Journal
 - Extended and meritorious service on the Society's Council
 - Extended and meritorious service supporting our various prizes and competitions

Service to the Society in a paid capacity does not count towards any entitlement to a fellowship, and, in respect of members of Council, any fellowship can only be conferred for service to the Society upon the recipient stepping down from Council. However, it is conceivable that a sitting member of Council might be awarded a fellowship for some other achievement.

A sub-committee comprising the Chair, the Secretary, and one other member of Council (serving in rotation) recommends nominated candidates to Council for ratification.

There is no set number of fellowships in a given year: in some years there might be a number of eligible candidates, in others conceivably no award might be made at all.

While it is anticipated that most recipients of a fellowship would already be members of the Society, if a fellowship were to be awarded to a non-member it would come with a year's free membership. The Society hopes that recipients would join as a paying member thereafter, but fellowship would not be forfeit if the holder should decide not to become a member.

Fellows, whether of long-standing or recent adherence to the Society, pay the same membership fees as ordinary members of the Society.

Fellows are entitled to use the postnominals FSAHR.