



OWEN SHEEHY- SKEFFINGTON MEMORIAL AWARDS

Owen Sheehy Skeffington (1909-1970) was a radical socialist pacifist who believed passionately in the freedom of the mind. He was a champion of the rights of the underdog and his anti-authoritarian stance often brought him into sharp disagreement with the more conservative institutions of the day, though there were few who did not respect his integrity, honesty and moral courage. He lectured in the French Department of TCD from 1933 until his death, and represented the College in the Senate between 1954 and 1970, displaying in both roles a strong sense of humour. More focused on people than on academic ambition, he devoted much time and patience to his students, advising them on personal as well as educational matters. His keen interest in accuracy in the spoken French language led him to encourage all students of French to spend time in France, which makes the travelling scholarship a particularly fitting memorial to him.

Established from funds contributed in memory of Dr Owen Sheehy-Skeffington, this annual award (approx €2,000) takes the form in alternate years of a maintenance grant and a travel scholarship .

- The **travel scholarship** is awarded for travel to France to any student registered in an institute of higher education in Ireland (available: 2023-24; 2025-26; 2027-28; 2029-30...)
- The **maintenance grant** is awarded to a **current Senior Freshman student of French or to a current Junior Sophister student of French** intending to major in French in Trinity College Dublin (available: 2022-23;2024-25; 2026-27; 2028-29...)
- The award is made on the basis of academic promise and financial need.

**APPLICATION FOR THE DR OWEN SHEEHY SKEFFINGTON MEMORIAL FUND
TRAVEL/MAINTENANCE GRANT AWARD IN THE ACADEMIC YEAR.....**

This Grant is awarded by the Maintenance Grant Committee and in memory of Dr. Owen Sheehy Skeffington. The main criteria for the award are academic promise and financial need. This form is designed to help the Committee's assessment of the relative needs of applicants.

Surname (in block capitals) Mr/Ms Student No.

Other Names (in full)

Address

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Telephone Email Address

Date & Place of Birth Nationality/Citizenship

Date of Entry to College Tutor

Course of study

College standing on date of application (JF, JS etc.)

Academic Profile:

Please give details on a separate page indicating how you consider yourself to meet the criterion of 'academic promise'. Include details of your abilities as a speaker and writer of French.

Most recent examination resultsand any
academic distinctions gained

Financial Position:

Please report any personal income from:

State or other grants, entrance exhibitions etc. Euro €

Other earnings (state total for previous year and whether earned during vacation or term)

Euro €

Referee: please give the name and position of one person within College who will supply a reference

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I DECLARE THE ABOVE PARTICULARS ARE IN EVERY RESPECT TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY JUDGEMENT AND BELIEF

Signature of Applicant: **Date:**

DEADLINE: *Please return this completed form byto :*

Owen Sheehy Skeffington Maintenance Grant Committee,
c/o Head of Department of French, Arts Building, Trinity College, Dublin 2

Please note that receipt of your application will be sent via email. Applicants will be told of the Committee's decision in due course.