

Edinburgh Companion to Modern Scottish Political History

Call for proposals

Naomi Lloyd-Jones (History of Parliament) and Malcolm Petrie (University of St Andrews) are in advanced discussions with Edinburgh University Press to co-edit a new *Companion to Modern Scottish Political History*. This volume will represent a significant historiographical intervention, providing a comprehensive account of Scottish politics from the Union of 1707 to the early twenty-first century as well as a stimulating summary of contemporary trends within the field. The *Companion* will comprise around 30 chapters, arranged into four sections: structures and chronologies; parties and ideologies; themes; and empirical case studies.

The editors now invite proposals for chapters for inclusion in the themes and empirical case studies sections. Chapters should be approximately 8,000 words in length, including notes. Proposals for both sole and co-authored chapters are welcome. It is anticipated that the deadline for chapter drafts will be late spring 2027, with final drafts due in 2028; publication will follow in 2030.

For proposals for inclusion in the **themes section**, the editors are especially interested in chapters that would address the political aspects of:

- Religion;
- Regional and local social and economic conditions;
- Culture;
- Emotions;
- Scotland's relations with Europe and the wider world.

The editors are keen to encourage a broad selection of proposals for **empirical case studies**, and are determined that the volume will reflect current developments within Scottish political history. Authors are free to interpret politics and the political as widely as they wish, and the editors will consider proposals that address any aspect of modern Scottish political history.

The editors intend further that the *Companion* will present the perspectives of a diverse range of authors. Proposals from early-career researchers and from scholars from backgrounds that remain underrepresented in the historical profession are especially welcome.

The deadline for submissions is **17.00, Monday 18 May 2026**. Proposals of c.500 words should be emailed to either NLloyd-Jones@histparl.ac.uk or mp49@st-andrews.ac.uk

If you have any questions before the deadline, please contact one of the editors.

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