James Carnegie Scholarship – for students commencing postgraduate studies in September 2017

Guidelines for Applicants

To be considered for the James Carnegie Scholarship you will need to have applied to the University of Aberdeen for a place on an eligible postgraduate degree programme starting in September 2017. To be awarded the scholarship you must receive and then firmly accept an offer of a place on this postgraduate degree programme.

Priority will be given to students not already in receipt of a scholarship for their postgraduate studies.

- The James Carnegie Scholarship

There is one James Carnegie Scholarship available. The successful applicant will receive £2,000 per annum for the duration of the postgraduate degree course, whether that is a one year Masters, PhD (3 years) or Master by Research leading to a PhD (4 years).

Eligibility criteria:
The scholarship is open to full time students commencing their postgraduate degree course in September 2017 in the Schools of Divinity, History & Philosophy; Education; Language, Literature, Music & Visual Culture; and Law.

Candidates:
The scholarship is open to both UK/EU and International students. The scholarship will be awarded on the basis of academic potential and financial need.

General Terms and Conditions for the James Carnegie Scholarship

A scholarship panel will consider the applications and make the awards.

The scholarship will be subject to the scholarship recipient successfully completing their studies to the satisfaction of the appropriate School. The scholarship will lapse if the scholar ceases to study an eligible degree programme or leaves the University of Aberdeen. The scholarship can only be held by students of the University – they cannot be transferred to another institution.

Events and Reports
Scholarship recipients are expected to attend an annual Donor Event and any other events related to the Scholarships Programme, which provide the donors and scholars with the opportunity to meet each other. You will also be required to write a short annual report at the end of each academic year which is to be submitted to the University of Aberdeen Development Trust who will forward it to the donor. The Development Trust will provide a standard template for the report.

Deadline for applications
The closing date for applications is Wednesday 31 May 2017.

Notification of Awards
You will be told whether or not your application has been successful by email by end of June 2017.
Completing the form

This is a standard scholarship application form. It is therefore important that you read the guidelines fully before filling in the form.

Please complete the scholarship application form by answering all the questions.

- Personal Details:

Please provide all the personal details required – name, date of birth, address for correspondence, telephone numbers and email address.

- Education:

Name and address of educational institution most recently attended before studying at the University of Aberdeen
This is the name and address of the educational institution (i.e. University) which you are currently attending or have attended most recently prior to your intended postgraduate studies at the University of Aberdeen.
If you are currently studying at the University of Aberdeen, please supply these details. If you are currently studying at another educational institution, please give these details. Please also give dates of attendance.

Are you currently a student at the University of Aberdeen?
If you are a current University of Aberdeen student, please provide your current University of Aberdeen student ID number, and when your studies commenced.
If you are not a current University of Aberdeen student, please provide your University of Aberdeen Applicant Reference Number (this is the 10 digit number which you will find on any correspondence you have received from the Admissions department) for the postgraduate application you have made.

Degree Programme you are studying/applying for
Please write the name of the postgraduate degree course you have applied for at the University of Aberdeen.

Fee Status
In the ‘Fee Status’ section, please select your fee status.

- Scholarship Information:

Please select the James Carnegie Scholarship as the scholarship you are applying for.

- Previous Scholarships:

Please list any other scholarships that you have been awarded or have applied for for your postgraduate course that are not already listed on the form.

- Personal Statement:

Please upload a personal statement.

In no more than 1500 words, please give reasons why you believe you should be considered for an award. You should tell us why you have chosen the postgraduate degree course that
you have applied for and say something about your experience and interests. If you will be commencing a Postgraduate Degree by Research, please give an outline summary of your proposed area of research.

Please write about your academic achievements - please list your College and University academic qualifications (including qualification (i.e. Degree and subject), classification, awarding institution and award date). If you are currently in the final year of your undergraduate degree and therefore hold a conditional offer of a place on the postgraduate degree course that you have applied for, please advise your predicted degree result. If you have received any prizes or academic awards, please provide details.

An important condition of the James Carnegie Scholarship is the ability to demonstrate need for financial support. Only applicants who can demonstrate financial need are eligible and, therefore, you MUST provide full details of your financial circumstances i.e. all sources of your own household income and expenditure. Please also advise how you intend to fund your postgraduate studies. Please also indicate any other factors which you feel are relevant to your application.

If you have applied for any other scholarships (which you have listed in ‘Previous Scholarships’ section of the application form), please indicate whether the application(s) is/are pending, or if an award has been made. If the award is pending, please indicate when you expect to hear from the awarding body.

Please note that the maximum word limit for the personal statement is 1500 words and your application will not be considered if you exceed this. The maximum file size for the personal statement is 1MB and you will not be able to complete the application if you exceed this.

- Referee Details:

Please provide the name and contact details of one academic referee who may be approached to comment on your academic achievement.

Please do not include a reference letter as we will check this from your Application Form for Postgraduate Studies.

- Supporting documentation:

Please upload your supporting documentation. Please note that you can only upload a maximum of 2 documents. The maximum file size is 1MB per document. Please do not exceed this limit as you will not be able to complete the application if any of your files are over 1MB.

Please include:

- CV including grades achieved to date.
- Student Transcript

Please attach a copy of your University transcript to the present day (if available). If you are a current University of Aberdeen student, a copy of the transcript from the student portal is adequate – you do not need to send an original transcript. Please do not include originals or copies of degree or any other certificates (as we will check your degree qualifications against your Application Form for Postgraduate Studies).

Please Note: You may experience problems uploading attachments from a networked drive. If this is the case, copy your attachments to a local drive such as your desktop and upload them from there.
- **Declaration:**

Please read and complete this section.

**Submitting the form**

Once you have fully completed the application form, please click ‘Submit Form’. You will then receive an email confirming that your application has been received. (If you do not receive this, please email the informal enquiries email address below).

**Informal Enquires**

If you have any queries not answered by the guidelines above please email: cass-graduateschool@abdn.ac.uk or tel: +44 (0) 1224 273181