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The Firoz Lalji Centre for Africa (FLCA) focuses on engagement with Africa through cutting-edge research, teaching and public events, strengthening LSE’s long-term commitment to placing Africa at the heart of understandings and debates on global issues. The FLCA currently holds numerous grants, and is running various research projects. Information about the FLCA’s various activities can be found on the [FLCA website](http://www.lse.ac.uk/africa/about-flca).

FLCA has a limited amount of funding for MSc Dissertation Fieldwork support. The grants will contribute to the FLCA's overall mission to support research on Africa and to ensure that the field of African studies continues to be a source of vibrant and significant work that furthers our understanding of the continent.

Funding for those dissertation projects selected is likely to be up to £1,000.

• Students must be enrolled in an LSE Master’s programme at the time of application and provide a **letter of authorisation for their fieldwork from their Head of Department and a letter of recommendation from their supervisor**along with a complete application form.

Applications are expected to have also applied for support to their departments, and the FLCA will assess sympathetically applications that are partly funded by their departments.

There is no preference for any methodology, research location, or subfield. However, preference in selection of projects funded will be influenced by the current research in the centre, and ideally will enhance ongoing work.

Note that fieldwork will involve the submission of Health and Safety Risk assessments and Ethical Review. It is the responsibility of the applicant and the applicant’s department to ensure that those processes have been completed before fieldwork commences.

• Students of all nationalities are eligible to apply, but their master’s thesis must be Africa related.

• Applicants must complete an application form and submit by **12pm on 30 April 2020**to pfal@lse.ac.uk . We may want to state the length of time for a decision to be made e.g. it will take up to 3 weeks for a decision to be made

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| **Head of Department :** |  |
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| **Supervisor** |  |

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| **i)** Please briefly describe your dissertation proposal (max 500 words)  |
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| **Place of Travel:** |  |
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**Please include below your itemised budget on how funds will be spent if awarded the grant:**

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