

# **Guide to Scholarships and Grants in Information Systems 2006/07**

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# Introduction

These scholarships and awards are NOT administered by the LSE or the Information Systems Group of the Department of Management.

This booklet is intended to direct students to organizations which may be able to offer assistance. Additional information is available from the contact address or website link.

Please note that this information is shown for your interest and the Financial Support Office has no further details. Moreover, the Department accepts no responsibility for the accuracy of this information.

A comprehensive guide to Postgraduate Funding opportunities can be accessed from Room U308. **The Grants Registry (19th Ed)**, details some 3,500 awards from 59 countries.

Whilst this guide aims to inform graduate students of the range of funding possibilities available, it is not extensive, therefore, any suggestions for alternative sources would be most welcome.

# BFWG Foundation Grants

## Awarding Body

BFWG Charitable Foundation

## Organisation

The BFWG Charitable Foundation offers Grants to help women graduates with their LIVING expenses (not fees) while registered for study or research at an approved institution of higher education in Great Britain. The criteria for awarding Grants are the proven needs of the applicants and their academic calibre. Competition is fierce so not all qualifying applicants will receive a grant.

## Who can apply?

Women graduates from Britain and overseas are eligible to apply. They must be studying or intending to study in the academic year 2006/07 in Great Britain at postgraduate or post doctoral level. These awards are made without reference to financial need. If you have a query about eligibility, contact the Secretary of BFWG, by e-mail [awards@bfgw.demon.co.uk](mailto:awards@bfgw.demon.co.uk)

## Terms

Any subject or field of study will be considered. There is no upper age limit. Grants are not given for the first year of graduate study or research. Evidence of ability to pay fees is required. Students reading for part-time graduate degrees will be eligible to apply for 3rd year onwards. The Grants will be a contribution only towards the living expenses of one year's academic study or research. The amount of the Foundation Grant will be decided by the BFWG Charitable Foundation, but will not exceed £3,000. Its decision is final and no subsequent correspondence will be entered into. Grant holders must submit a written report on their year's work within six weeks of the end of their academic year.

## How to Apply

To receive an application form write or phone The Grants Administrator. Return the completed form with the £12 fee for administrative costs (pay by sterling cheque, drawn on a UK bank, or sterling Eurocheque for £12, payable to BFWG Charitable Foundation). From December of each year, the leaflet and application materials are made available for National Awards for the following academic year (i.e. in December 2005 for 2006/07) and for International Awards (for which the AAC can only make recommendations) for the academic year thereafter (i.e. in December 2005 for 2007/08).

**Deadline: 7<sup>th</sup> April 2006**

## Decisions and Payment

Applicants will be informed of the decision of the Foundation in late July. Grants are paid in instalments, from October onwards. The first instalment will be paid on proof of registration.

## Contact Details

The Grants Administrator, BFWG Charitable Foundation, 28 Great James Street,  
London, WC1N 3EY

Tel: 020 7404 6447 / Fax: 020 7404 6505

Email: [info@bfgw.org.uk](mailto:info@bfgw.org.uk)

Website: <http://www.bfgw.org.uk/scholarships.cfm>

# British Marshall Scholarship

## Awarding Body

The British Council - USA

## Organisation

Marshall Scholarships finance young Americans of high ability to study for a degree in the United Kingdom. The Scholarships are tenable at any British university and cover two years of study in any discipline, at either undergraduate or graduate level, leading to the award of a British University degree. The awards are usually of about £20,000 a year.

## Who can apply?

Open only to United States citizens who (by the time they take up their Scholarship) hold a first degree from an accredited four-year college or university in the United States with a minimum GPA (after freshman year) of 3.7. To qualify for awards tenable from October 2004, candidates must have graduated from their undergraduate college or university after April 2002 *N.B.* Persons already studying for or holding a British degree or degree-equivalent qualification are not eligible to apply for a Marshall Scholarship.

## Terms

A Marshall Scholarship comprises the payment of all tuition and other fees; a personal allowance to cover residence and the cost of living expenses; the fare to and from the UK; an annual grant for approved travel in connection with studies; payment of necessary daily travel expenses; an annual book grant; thesis allowance, married person's allowance (depending on circumstances).

## How to Apply

In addition to completing the prescribed application form, candidates must supply a letter of endorsement from their university, college or employer; an outline (500 words) of their proposed studies in the UK; a personal essay (1,000 words); 4 letters of recommendation (2 of which academic); their college transcript. Deadline for applicants: (For receipt of applications in appropriate regional centre in US) October 4<sup>th</sup> 2006.

## Decisions and Payment

Applications are reviewed by a selection committee of 5 persons. Short listed candidates are interviewed (in mid Nov), following which the selection committees make recommendations to a national Advisory Council in Washington chaired by the British Ambassador. The Advisory Council decides the final allocation of awards and the results are announced in early December. Marshall Scholars depart for Britain as a group in late September. They are expected to take part in a pre-departure orientation session in Washington and a short programme.

## Contact Details

Offices of the Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission in London: Association of Commonwealth Universities, John Foster House, 36 Gordan Square, London, WC1H

Website: [www.marshallscholarship.org](http://www.marshallscholarship.org)

# Chevening Scholarships

## Awarding Body

The Foreign and Commonwealth Office (in country of origin)

## Organisation

The British Chevening Scholarships are prestigious awards which enable overseas students to study in the UK. Scholarships are offered in more than 150 countries and enable talented graduates and young people to become familiar with the UK and to gain skills which benefit their countries. Most scholarships are for one year Master's courses or equivalent.

## Who can apply?

A successful applicant would be a graduate with proven academic skills; an individual committed to returning to their country and contributing to its socio-economic development through implementation of the new skills and knowledge acquired in the UK. Established in a career, with a track record of excellence and achievement (typical age range applicants 25-35). Be able to show at interview that they possess the personal qualities to benefit from the scholarship and use it to succeed in their chosen career.

## Terms

Chevening scholars must study in the UK for a minimum 3 month period. The scholarship can be used to study most subjects, (please refer to website for information regarding country requirements). There are 3 types of scholarships available: (a) cover tuition fees (b) full scholarships covering tuition fees, monthly stipend and various one off allowances (c) vary from award to award and cover part/full stipend and/or allowances.

## How to Apply

Apply to the British Embassy/High Commission or the British Council in the country of which you are a citizen. The application procedure is transparent. Please refer to the country you will be applying to for further details regarding specific criteria and eligibility.

## Decisions and Payment

Decision and payments largely dictated by individual countries.

## Contact Details

Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Whitehall, London, SW1A 2AH

Tel: 020 7270 1500

Website: <http://chevening.fco.gov.uk/main.htm>

# Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Programme

## Awarding Body

The Commonwealth Scholarship Commission

## Organisation

The Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan (CSFP) is a pan-Commonwealth scholarships programme which enables students and senior university staff to study or train in Commonwealth countries other than their own, under awards hosted by the host country. CSFP General Scholarships are intended for scholars of high intellectual promise who may be expected to make a significant contribution to their own countries on their return from study abroad.

## Who can apply?

Open to Commonwealth citizens and British protected persons, permanently resident in a Commonwealth country other than the UK. Candidates should, at the time of nomination, have graduated from a first or Master's degree within the last 10 years. Candidates should hold a minimum upper second class degree or equivalent.

## Terms

Scholarships available for study towards a Masters or Doctoral degree. Awards tenable at approved institutions of higher education for a maximum of three years. The following are covered by the award: University fees, scholar's return travel, allowance for books, apparatus, approved study travel, personal maintenance.

## How to Apply

See [website](#) for details of countries offering awards.

## Decisions and Payment

Candidates who cannot attend an interview cannot be considered for an award. A preliminary application form must be completed to establish eligibility before a full application form can be issued.

## Contact Details

Website: [www.csfp-online.org/hostcountries/uk](http://www.csfp-online.org/hostcountries/uk)

# Daiwa Anglo-Japanese Foundation Grants

## Awarding Body

The Daiwa Anglo-Japanese Foundation

## Organisation

The Daiwa Anglo-Japanese Foundation allocates some £500,000 annually to general grants in support of a wide range of arts and humanities, social science and science-based initiatives as well as educational and cultural exchanges. It particularly supports projects that have the potential of bringing wider benefit to Anglo-Japanese relations. It seeks to pump-prime, work in partnership and part-fund initiatives which meet the general criteria.

## Who can apply?

Applications will be accepted from British and Japanese institutions or individuals. Japanese citizens who are temporarily in the UK should submit their application through the Tokyo office of the DAJF. Applications are invited from all fields of Japan-related research, professional and academic exchange, and cultural, artistic and sporting activities which support the objectives of the Foundation.

## Terms

There is no age limit for applicants. Grants cannot be used for buildings and equipment. Retrospective applications will not normally be considered and repeat applications will be considered but given a low priority. Recipients of a grant will need to submit a final report on all project activities and a financial statement within two months from the day of completion.

## How to Apply

Application Deadline for 2007: Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2006

## Decisions and Payment

Applicants will be informed in writing of the Foundation's decision as soon as possible after the appropriate meeting.

## Contact Details

Website: [http://www.dajf.org.uk/page\\_e.asp?Section=Scholarships&ID=52](http://www.dajf.org.uk/page_e.asp?Section=Scholarships&ID=52)

# Dan David Prize

## Awarding Body

Dan David Foundation

## Organisation

The Dan David Prize is an international and cross-cultural enterprise endowed by the Dan David Foundation and is headquartered at Tel Aviv University. The prize is granted to people with proven, exceptional, distinct excellence in the sciences, arts, and humanities who have made an outstanding contribution.

## Who can apply?

The candidates can be individuals, or organizations from all over the world. Eligibility, selection criteria, and fields of endeavour for every year are specified on the Dan David Prize website.

## Terms

The Prize covers three time dimensions: Past, Present and Future, which represent realms of human achievement and experience. Every year one prize will be granted in each domain. The Past refers to fields that expand knowledge of former times. The Present recognizes achievements that are shaping and enriching society and public life today. The Future focuses on breakthroughs that hold great promise for improvement of our world. Each prize will consist of one million US dollars. Each prize recipient will receive US\$100,000 of that sum in the form of a Scholarship fund, endowed in his/her name, for the support of young researchers in the winner's field or in any similar field he/she chooses. The balance of US\$900,000 will be a cash award.

## How to Apply

Deadline for applications: March 30<sup>th</sup> 2007. Candidates are nominated for the prize. For further information please see the website.

## Decisions and Payment

Announcements will be made during April 2007. The Prize will be bestowed at an annual international ceremony held every May at Tel Aviv University. In addition, Tel Aviv University will organize and hold international academic conferences and colloquia, and issue academic publications, devoted to the winners' research and their fields.

## Contact Details

Dan David Prize, Eitan Berglas Bldg/119, Tel Aviv University, Ramat Aviv, Tel Aviv, 69978, Israel

Tel: 00 972 3 6406615

Fax: 00 972 3 6406613

Email: [ddprize@post.tau.ac.il](mailto:ddprize@post.tau.ac.il)

Website: [www.dandavidprize.com](http://www.dandavidprize.com)

# Elizabeth Nuffield Educational Fund

## Awarding Body

The Nuffield Foundation

## Organisation

One of the UK's best known charitable trusts, the Nuffield Foundation was established in 1943 by William Morris (Lord Nuffield) the founder of Morris Motors. Most of the Foundation's income is spent on grants that support research or practical developments that will, in the words of our Trust Deed, "advance social well being".

## Who can apply?

The Fund gives grants to women studying to improve their employment prospects. At present, grants are given to help with the childcare costs of student mothers. Awards are currently made to students in higher education. The Fund also makes a small number of grants to women refugees who are studying for a professional re-qualification.

## Terms

Applicants must be women between 21 and 50 years. Applicants must have been ordinarily resident in the UK for 3 years before the start of the academic year in which the course begins, or have been granted refugee status or exceptional leave to remain in the UK (ordinary residence applies to the latter). Applicants should be studying, or have an offer of a place, at an LEA recognized college or university. Levels of higher education courses supported include HNC/HND, first degrees, diplomas. Students who are eligible to apply for Access funds and the full Student Loan must do so before applying to ENEF. There is a gross household income limit of £16,500 per annum. You may not re-apply to the Fund if you have had a previous application turned down. Areas of study supported include: Administration, Business & Secretarial; Childcare & Education; Hotel & Catering, Leisure & Sports; Humanities, Languages, Law; Medicine & Health (excluding complementary medicine); Science & Technology; Social Care, Social Work Social Sciences; Teacher Training (excluding PGCE). The maximum grant given is £2,200 per annum, £3,300 per annum for healthcare students.

## How to Apply

Eligible students may apply directly to the Fund. The deadline is 10<sup>th</sup> September 2007, 5:00pm.

## Contact Details

Contact Louise Morris or Suzanne Berry at:

The Nuffield Foundation, 28 Bedford Square, London, WC1B 3JS

Tel: 020 7631 0566 Fax: 020 7323 4877

Email: [enef@nuffieldfoundation.org](mailto:enef@nuffieldfoundation.org)

Website: [http://www.nuffieldfoundation.org/go/grants/enef/page\\_81.html](http://www.nuffieldfoundation.org/go/grants/enef/page_81.html)

# Fulbright Awards Programme

## Awarding Body

The Fulbright Commission

## Organisation

The US-UK Fulbright Commission provides scholarships to qualified US citizens who wish to study at Master's or Doctorate level at an educational institution in the United Kingdom. Applicants sought proposing UK study which will promote and strengthen relations between the UK and US.

## Who can apply?

There are four different funding initiatives: 1. Standard Awards - 10 awards which are open to all fields of study and for any UK university. 2. Co-Sponsored Awards - The US-UK Fulbright Commission has teamed up with various companies to offer co-sponsored awards for studying business, accounting, finance, economics, engineering or bioscience. 3. 2-3 Year Fulbright Jointly Funded Scholarships - The US-UK Fulbright Commission has arranged 6 jointly funded scholarships with Cambridge and Oxford Universities. These scholarships will provide students with funding for 2-3 years of study in the UK 4. University Tuition Scholarships - The US-UK Fulbright Commission has arranged tuition scholarships with University of Manchester, University of East Anglia, Sussex University and University College London.

## Terms

The US-UK Commission is looking for evidence of: academic excellence – the quality of achievements and how they are to be used in the future; leadership – at university, in the workplace, in the community, in extra-curricular activities; outstanding references; strong reasons for coming to the UK to do the proposed project; ambassadorial qualities - ability to enhance US-UK relations; extra-curricular activities.

## How to Apply

Candidates should apply for a Fulbright award by completing the appropriate application form. These are available on-line at the Institute of International Education's web site: [www.iie.org/fulbright](http://www.iie.org/fulbright)

## Decisions and Payment

The US-UK Fulbright Commission in London works together with the Institute of International Education (IIE) in New York City to process the Graduate Student Scholarships applications. A US committee sends a shortlist of the best applications to the US-UK Commission, where a separate committee makes the final selection.

## Contact Details

London Office:  
Fulbright Awards Programme Staff,  
The Fulbright Commission Fulbright House,  
62 Doughty Street, London, WC1N 2JZ  
Tel: 020 7404 6880 Fax: 020 7404 6834  
Email: [education@fulbright.co.uk](mailto:education@fulbright.co.uk)  
Website: [www.fulbright.co.uk/index.html](http://www.fulbright.co.uk/index.html)

# Great Britain-China Educational Trust

## **Awarding Body**

The Great Britain-China Educational Trust

## **Organisation**

GBCET offers grants to Chinese and British postgraduate students in the UK.

## **Who can apply?**

Applicants should be: (a) citizens of the People's Republic of China who are currently registered on examined postgraduate courses at institutions of higher learning in the UK; or (b) British citizens registered on examined UK postgraduate courses on China-related topics; or (c) British citizens registered on examined UK postgraduate courses who would like to give a conference paper in China (as long as they have completed the first term of a one-year course or the first year of a course lasting longer than one year).

## **How to Apply**

Completed applications should be received no less than ten working days before the meeting at which they will be considered. For the date of the next meeting, please contact the Administrator at the address below. Application forms must be signed by the applicant's supervisor and head of department. Candidates should also arrange for their supervisor to complete and return a 'supervisor's comments' form.

## **Decisions and Payment**

Grants may be up to £5,000, and are sometimes renewable.

## **Contact Details**

Application forms and supervisor's comments are available from:

Carol Rennie

c/o The British Academy

10 Carlton House Terrace

London SW1Y

Tel: 020 7969-5220

Fax: 020 7969-5414

[secretary@bacsuk.org.uk](mailto:secretary@bacsuk.org.uk)

[www.bacsuk.org.uk](http://www.bacsuk.org.uk)

Website: [www.gbcc.org.uk](http://www.gbcc.org.uk)

# Sino-British Scholarship Scheme

## Awarding Body

State Education Commission in Beijing

## Organisation

This programme aims to support research on China, making grants available to postdoctoral or equivalent status students, normally resident in the UK.

## Who can apply?

Awards made to students from the People's Republic of China who are resident in China at the time of application.

## Terms

Awards are for postgraduate study in the UK, and provide the cost of fees in the UK for up to three years, plus a contribution towards fares and maintenance.

## How to Apply

Applications are channelled through the State Education Commission in Beijing, where the scheme is administered by the Cultural and Education Section of the Embassy.

## Contact Details

State Education Commission (SEDC), 37 Damucang Hutong, Beijing 100816, China

Websites: [www.chinese-embassy.org.uk](http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk) and [www.moe.edu.cn](http://www.moe.edu.cn)

# Stapley Trust Grants

## Awarding Body

The Sir Richard Stapley Educational Trust

## Organisation

Its objectives are to provide financial assistance to graduates with a First or Upper Second class degree, over the age of 24, who register for a higher degree or equivalent academic qualification in any subject, or for a degree in medicine, dentistry or veterinary science, at a university in the United Kingdom.

## Who can apply?

Applicants for grants must be (a) graduates with a first or upper second class honours degree; (b) over the age of 24 on 1st October of the proposed year of study (c) studying for a higher degree or an equivalent academic qualification, without restriction of subject, or for a degree in medicine, dentistry or veterinary science at a university in the UK. The council does not normally support students for full-time PhD studies beyond a third year.

## Terms

Students in receipt of substantial awards from Local Authorities, Research Councils, the British Academy, or similar bodies are not eligible to receive a grant from the Trust.

## How to Apply

An initial enquiry should be accompanied by an SAE. Overseas applicants should enclose international reply coupons. Two academic references are required. Applicants will receive 2 envelopes with their application form and these should be handed to their referees who should seal their reference inside. Initials should be written over the seal and returned to the applicant to be posted along with the application form. Applications will not be considered until references are received.

## Decisions and Payment

Applicants will be notified of the Council's decision in June or early July. Grants will be paid in October on receipt of official confirmation of participation in the course.

## Contact Details

The Administrator, The Sir Richard Stapley Educational Trust, North Street Farmhouse, Sheldwich, Nr Faversham, Kent, ME13 OLN

Email: [admin@stapleytrust.org](mailto:admin@stapleytrust.org)

Website: [www.stapleytrust.org](http://www.stapleytrust.org)

# University of London Central Research Fund

## Awarding Body

University of London

## Organisation

Since its introduction in 1937 the Central Research Fund has given substantial aid to many members of this University working on research projects. Grants are made from University Trust Funds and may be awarded for, or as a contribution towards, expenses incurred in undertaking a specific project of research, e.g. for a special piece of equipment, for a journey, or for additional costs of maintenance away where they exceed costs of maintenance at home.

## Who can apply?

Applications may be made by members of the University, undertaking independent projects of original research, as follows: (a) Members of the academic staff (i.e. the Professors, Readers, Teachers, Emeritus Professors & Readers) and independently funded Principal Investigators, in the employ of a College or Institute of the University, who are graduates of a university or in possession of senior professional qualifications; (b) Postgraduate research students registered for MPhil, PhD and Specialist Doctorate Degrees of the University; (c) Graduates of the University who are members of Convocation.

## Terms

Applications shall be considered in the first instance by a relevant Expert Advisory Panel which shall make recommendations for awards to the Academic Trust Funds Committee. As a general principle the Committee is not prepared to award grants in retrospect.

## How to Apply

All applications for a grant shall be made on the prescribed form and full information must be given with regard to the following matters: (a) The nature of the proposed research, the methodology to be employed and expected results; (b) The estimated expenditure, itemised in detail; (c) Whether the applicant has received, has applied for, or is applying for, any grant from any other source for the same object, and if so, with what results; (d) If a proportion of the grant applied for is intended to be used for defraying the cost of special assistance full information must be provided concerning the nature of the assistance required and the skill involved. All applicants shall arrange for two persons acquainted with their research to provide references. Wherever possible one of the referees should be from outside the applicant's own institution.

## Decisions and Payment

The closing dates for applications during the **2006/2007 session** will be:-

- 13 October 2006 (Autumn Term)
- 16 March 2007 (Summer Term)

## Contact Details

Secretary of the Academic Trust Funds Committee, Room 272, Senate House, Malet Street, London WC1E 7HU. Tel: 020-7862 -8041. Fax 020-7862-8032

Email: [L.West@academic.lon.ac.uk](mailto:L.West@academic.lon.ac.uk)

Website:

[http://www.london.ac.uk/crf.html?&no\\_cache=1&sword\\_list\[\]=central&sword\\_list\[\]=research&sword\\_list\[\]=fund](http://www.london.ac.uk/crf.html?&no_cache=1&sword_list[]=central&sword_list[]=research&sword_list[]=fund)

# Wingate Scholarships

## Awarding Body

Wingate Scholarships

## Organisation

Wingate Scholarships are awarded to individuals of great potential or proven excellence who need financial support to undertake original or pioneering work of intellectual, scientific, artistic social or environmental value.

## Who can apply?

Applicants must be (a) citizens of the UK or other Commonwealth country, Ireland or Israel, or of another European Union country provided that they are, and have been at least 5 years, resident in the UK; (b) living in the UK during the application period (Feb - May); (c) 24 or over on 1 September 2002. Applicants engaged in academic research must show that they are not eligible for Research Council, British Academy or major agency funding.

## Terms

The proposed work must satisfy the criteria laid down by the Trustees of the Harold Hyam Wingate Foundation in being of potential benefit to others, furthering academic study, contributing to the well-being of society, or widening human knowledge and understanding. The Scholarships are designed to help with the costs of specific project which may last for up to 3 years.

## How to Apply

Application forms may be obtained by sending a self addressed A4 envelope with a 41p stamp to: The Administrator, Wingate Scholarships, 2nd Floor, 20-22 Stukeley Street, London WC2B 5LR or downloaded from the website.

## Decisions and Payment

The maximum award in any one year is £10,000. Applications for 2007/2008 will not be accepted until after October 1, 2006 and the deadline for receipt of applications for 2007/2008 is February 1 2007. At the end of their tenure, Wingate Scholarships are required to write a Final Report summarising their final achievements for the benefit of the Scholarship Committee.

## Contact Details

The Administrator, Wingate Scholarships, 2nd Floor, 20-22 Stukeley Street, London WC2B 5LR

Email: [clark@wingate.org.uk](mailto:clark@wingate.org.uk)

Website: [www.wingate.org.uk](http://www.wingate.org.uk)