



## Landmark scholarship renewal



*Bill Bottriell (BSc Economics 1978) with two of his scholars at the 2013 Donors and Scholars reception*

### **A landmark renewal of philanthropic support has brought the cumulative giving of one of the School's valued and long-standing donors to over £1 million.**

Bill Bottriell (BSc Economics 1978) founded the Bottriell Scholarship in 2002, and since that time has been influential in providing opportunities for underprivileged UK students to study at LSE. Bill's original gift to LSE funded one undergraduate scholar from the UK through three years of study, and, since that time, he has generously increased his support to provide scholarships for many others. To date, the Scholarship has helped 20 students realise their dreams of higher education in a variety of subjects, regardless of their financial means. His recent gift is set to continue this tradition.

Bill has a long-standing association with the School since graduating with a BSc in Economics in 1978. He is currently a member of the LSE Court of Governors and a member of the Development Committee. Over the last 11 years, Bill has donated over £1 million towards scholarships at the School.

Following his studies, Bill co-founded London IT recruitment business, SThree, with Simon Arber in 1986, and in 2005 it was floated on the London Stock Exchange. The first of his family to attend university, Bill appreciates as well as any other the importance of providing an LSE education to those who aren't able to fund themselves. He commented: "As an alumnus myself, I feel a moral imperative to ensure that the next generation of bright and enthusiastic young minds aren't denied the same experiences I benefited from due to circumstances outside of their control."

He retains a strong belief that his scholars will repay the faith that he is invested in them. "I am incredibly proud of all the Bottriell scholars," he said. "I am confident they will go on to do great things and to give others the same chance that they were given."

The Bottriell Scholars come from a variety of backgrounds, and have studied various subjects including law, social policy, geography, government and accounting. All are truly grateful for the support they have received.

"I feel it is impossible to overstate the difference the scholarship made to me," said Christopher Randall (LLB 2010). "Being awarded the scholarship let me know that somebody somewhere had confidence in me, and when one knows this it can only improve one's confidence."

"I would never have been able to start my way down this very long road of study without Bill there to back me up," said Christopher Blunt (BSc Philosophy 2010). Rabiya Aslam (BSc Economics 2010) described herself as "grateful and humbled" by the help she has received: "Bill's generosity has been a huge blessing on my life. Knowing that I had his support gave me the courage to reach my potential – I hope that I can continue this selflessness for someone else in need."

One of the latest recipients of the scholarship, Zaahirah Adam, currently studying the LLB course in the Department of Law, emphasised how Bill's support has enabled her to concentrate more fully on her studies, alleviating pressure on her to maintain a part time job. "Thanks to Bill's donation and help, I stand in very good stead to achieve my dreams," she said. "I have discovered a new form of determination to succeed and continue on the search for knowledge, so I, just like Bill, can give back to society and inspire others."

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## From the Director



Dear friends

**As exam time looms for students, and another academic year draws to a close, we are delighted to bring you news from around the School and update you on some of the latest donations from our generous friends and alumni.**

Over recent months, I have been struck by just how much LSE resonates with people across the world. Since the beginning of the year, I have been to India, at the invitation of the British Prime Minister's business delegation; Singapore, Hong Kong and China; and the US to attend, amongst other things, a meeting of the School's North American Advisory Board. During each visit I was fortunate enough to meet a number of alumni and friends and hear about the affection that they have for the School and the high regard in which they hold it.

Back on campus, there was much excitement on 29 April when HRH The Princess Royal formally opened 32 Lincoln's Inn Fields. The building, whose redevelopment benefited from the philanthropic support of a number of alumni, looks majestic and is testimony to the School's ambitious estates strategy.

On the front cover of this edition we feature Bill Bottriell, an alumnus who has been providing scholarship support for students at LSE since 2002. His most recent gift has taken his cumulative giving to the School to over £1 million, demonstrating the continued faith Bill has in the impact of the scholarships he has enabled.

LSE's ever deepening relationship with Africa is also featured. We were able to welcome two African Fellows to the School this year, thanks to philanthropic support. We are also pleased to announce the launch of the LSE-UCT July School, which will strengthen institutional links between LSE and UCT in what is the first collaboration of its kind between leading institutions in Europe and Africa. Additionally, on page 7, you can read about alumnus Firoz Lalji and his wife Najma's continued support for the Programme for African Leadership, which provides opportunities for an emerging generation of African leaders.

I hope that you enjoy our latest update from the School, and thank you all sincerely for the generous financial support that you provide to LSE.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Craig Calhoun".

**Professor Craig Calhoun**, Director of LSE

## Acclaim and awards for Reading the Riots

**A ground-breaking LSE research project which attempted to understand the underlying causes and responses to the 2011 UK riots won the Innovation of the Year award at the Press Gazette's British Journalism Awards in December 2012.**

The project, Reading the Riots, was announced in September 2011, one month after the outset of the riots in Tottenham, north London. It was a joint project between LSE and *The Guardian* and sought to demonstrate how intensive, large scale social research could be launched, undertaken and reported in a timescale that would parallel the fast moving political and public debates around the disturbances.

Judges for the *Press Gazette* award commended the "unique exercise" as a "massive piece of work and beautifully presented". The project was also shortlisted for a *Times Higher Education* research project of the year award earlier in 2012.

Head of the Department of Social Policy, Professor Tim Newburn, headed the academic side of the project. Professor Newburn said: "It is an honour to be associated with Reading the Riots and *The Guardian* deserves great credit for their extraordinary work on this study. This particular award is especially pleasing as all of us involved feel that this innovative project illustrates the potential for research partnerships between universities and news organisations in conducting policy-relevant social research."

The project ran in two phases. Initial fieldwork began in early October 2011 and ran for five weeks with a series of in depth interviews with over 270 people. The people interviewed were involved in some of the most serious looting and violence in the cities affected but only a fraction of them had been arrested.

The initial results were published in *The Guardian* in early December and coverage ran for six days and across 21 pages of the newspaper and online. Three hundred further interviews were conducted and the results were published in early July 2012. Both phases were accompanied by a BBC Newsnight special, and in July 2012 the BBC also broadcast a verbatim drama drawing on the study.

The study was generously funded by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation and the Open Society Foundations, and ran for 10 months, interviewing, in total, over 600 people. The findings were compelling and cited as major contributing factors to the riots the frustrations felt by alienated and disenfranchised youth combined with widespread distrust of the police.



# Mellon Fellowship Programme launched at LSE Cities

**LSE Cities recently launched a new initiative that puts humanists at the heart of the study of urban life thanks to a grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.**

By 2050 urban dwellers will comprise around 70 per cent of the global population but is the urban environment ready? The interdisciplinary work of LSE Cities, one of more than a dozen research centres at the School, explores the interactions between space and society. Its scholars and practitioners strive to shape new thinking and practice on how to make cities fairer and more sustainable for the urban populations of 2050 and beyond.

In January 2013 LSE Cities received an award of US\$900,000 from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation to launch a major new initiative. The four-year programme comprises two parts: the Mellon Fellowship Programme at LSE in Cities and the Humanities, and the Urban Research Network. The intellectual objective core to both components is to connect humanities scholars from literature, philosophy, anthropology, film studies, art and architectural history more closely to urban research and teaching at LSE.

From autumn 2013, the first Mellon Fellow will spend nine months at LSE where they will be involved in postgraduate teaching and research and develop a meaningful connection between his or her humanities discipline and the study of urban life. The Fellowship aims to open up new avenues for practical

collaboration and intellectual exchange between the humanities and urbanism.

The second strand of the initiative, the Urban Research Network, aims to create an international network of institutions embedded in cities in rapidly urbanising regions of the world, in particular in the US, Asia and Latin America, and to expose a new generation of humanists to the social science urban culture.

Ricky Burdett, professor of urban studies and director of LSE Cities, who will oversee the initiative with Richard Sennett, professor of sociology, said: "The support received from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation will take our work to another level, engaging those who design and manage cities with a new generation of scholars and practitioners who focus on fundamental humanistic questions on what it means to inhabit the contemporary city across the globe."

As part of its mission to advance meaningful work in the humanities and the arts, the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation in 2012 launched an initiative, "Architecture, Urbanism, and the Humanities", to support scholarship and higher education at the intersection of architecture and the humanities. The initiative emphasises contributions these disciplines may make to the spatial and humanistic understanding of the processes and effects of burgeoning urbanisation. The grant in support of the LSE Cities programme is one of six made so far to major institutions of higher education and research.

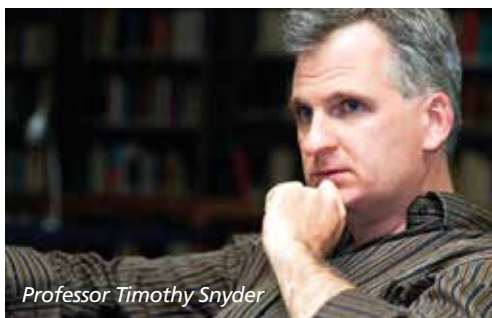
## Philippe Roman Chair at LSE

**LSE is pleased to announce that award winning author Professor Timothy Snyder has been appointed to take up the Philippe Roman Chair in History and International Relations for 2013/14.**

Professor Snyder is currently the Bird White Housum Professor of History at Yale University, specialising in the political history of central and eastern Europe as well as the Holocaust. He has written five award-winning books including *Bloodlands: Europe between Hitler and Stalin*, which has won ten awards including the Emerson Prize in Humanities and the Leipzig Award for European Understanding, and was named on 12 book-of-the-year lists for 2010.

Professor Snyder received his doctorate from the University of Oxford in 1997 where he was a British Marshall Scholar. He has held fellowships in Paris, Warsaw and Harvard, where he was an Academy Scholar, and is a frequent guest at the Institute for Human Sciences in Vienna.

Professor Arne Westad, director of LSE IDEAS, said: "Tim Snyder has revolutionised our understanding of central and eastern European history in the 20th century. It will be a privilege to have him teach here next year."



Professor Timothy Snyder

The Philippe Roman Chair in History and International Affairs is based in LSE IDEAS. The annual post gives LSE the opportunity to bring renowned academics from around the world to the School for a year of research, teaching and discussion. The chair was made possible by the generosity of LSE governor Emmanuel Roman.

Mr Roman was born in Paris and is a graduate from the University of Paris-Dauphine, and received an MBA from the University of Chicago. Passionate about history, he established a visiting professorship in 2007 and he named it after his father, Philippe Roman.

Professor Snyder will take up the post at LSE in October 2013 and will give four public lectures over the academic year on Eastern Europe and the world, as well as conduct a postgraduate seminar series entitled "The Holocaust as World History".

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# LSE welcomes new African Fellows

**The Africa International Affairs Programme within LSE IDEAS and the Department of Health and Social Care welcomed the first two African Research Fellows to the School in January 2013.**

Dr Sergio Chichava is a senior researcher at the Instituto de Estudos Sociais e Económicos (IESE) in Mozambique and Dr Ama de Graft Aikins holds the post of senior lecturer at the Regional Institute for Population Studies, University of Ghana.

Dr Chichava holds an MSc and PhD in Political Science from the Institute of Political Studies of Bordeaux, University of Montesquieu (Bordeaux IV). His research focuses on the topic of the Rising Powers in Africa, and in particular the role of China and Brazil in Mozambique's agriculture sector. Past research has included analysis of Mozambique's political parties and electoral system. During his time at LSE Dr Chichava will be working to complete a piece of published research and will give a presentation at a seminar or lecture arranged by the African International Affairs Programme at LSE IDEAS.

Dr de Graft Aikins is a social psychologist with a primary interest in representations and experiences of chronic physical and mental illnesses among African communities.

Her doctoral research, completed at LSE in 2004, was a large scale qualitative study that examined experiences of rural and urban Ghanaians living with diabetes and provided a systematic account of illness experiences to improve care and policy in Ghana.

Her current research focuses on the risk factors of diabetes, with particular reference to representations of food, body image and obesity, and the development of primary prevention in Ghana. She is involved in the development of a chronic non-communicable diseases strategic plan for Ghana's Ministry of Health.

Both fellowships were made possible by the generosity of a number of donors including significant contributions from Richard Delbridge (BSc Accounting and Finance 1963), LSE governor Wol Kolade, the LSE Centennial Fund and an anonymous donor.

The School is currently recruiting a further three Fellows, with the successful applicants joining LSE either in June or October 2013. One of the Fellowships will be based in LSE IDEAS, one in Health and Social Care, and one in the Department of Government.

For more information contact Kate Turner at [c.turner1@lse.ac.uk](mailto:c.turner1@lse.ac.uk)

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## LSE announces July school in Cape Town

**LSE, in collaboration with the University of Cape Town (UCT), has announced the launch of the inaugural LSE-UCT July School. It is the first collaboration of its kind between leading institutions in Europe and Africa.**

The summer school-style programme will run for two weeks and will offer a range of stimulating university-level courses taught by outstanding faculty from two of the world's foremost institutions for teaching and research, all set in the beautiful surroundings of the UCT campus.

The July School is set to build on the success of the LSE-PKU Summer School in Beijing, now in its tenth year. Its innovative new programme will provide students, graduates and professionals from across the globe with an exciting opportunity to study important social science issues relevant to Africa today.

Professor Thandika Mkandawire, head of the LSE African Initiative, said: "The LSE-UCT July School is an exciting way of bringing together students and professionals from around the world to use the social sciences to address some of Africa and other continents' most challenging issues."

Thanks to the generosity of Standard Bank and alumnus Giacomo Bruzzo (BSc Philosophy 1994, MSc Economics 1996, MSc Statistics 1997) full and partial bursaries are now available to students from Africa who wish to join the programme. There are also bursaries available to current LSE students who wish to attend, supported by the LSE Annual Fund.

For more information about supporting bursaries for the LSE-UCT July School, contact Veronika Tugendraich Garwolinski at [v.tugendraich-garwolinski@lse.ac.uk](mailto:v.tugendraich-garwolinski@lse.ac.uk)



# Supporting the next generation of African scholars at LSE



*Najma and Firoz Lalji (BSc Economics 1969), donors to the Lalji Programme for African Leadership*

**It has been almost a year since the first cohort passed through the Lalji programme for African Leadership (PfAL) and received their certificates at the Houses of Parliament and nearly six months since the second cohort's completion.**

The original gift of £1 million by Firoz Lalji (BSc Economics 1969) and his wife Najma created the programme in 2010 and its main aim was to help some of Africa's most dynamic and emerging leaders gain access to high level academic thinking and policy ideas from around the world. Building on the initial success of the programme and further cementing their philanthropic partnership with LSE, the Laljis have pledged to give a further £625,000, through their new public Programme for African Leadership Foundation, towards the programme for 2013-14 with some adjustments to the type of support available. This latest instalment is part of a long standing commitment by the Laljis to support African scholars coming to LSE, which started in 2007 when they established an endowed scholarship for postgraduate students from Uganda that has to date supported five scholars.

It was decided by LSE and the Lalji family that emerging African leaders could gain even more benefit from exposure to an extended period of learning and networking at LSE. The money will be used to fund 15 full MSc scholarships, or a greater number of partial scholarships, for students from Uganda, Kenya and South Sudan, or those who have pursued all their education prior to acceptance at LSE in sub-Saharan African countries. These students will join the main MSc Development Management Programme in the Department of International Development. The scholars will follow the core courses, be able to select from established courses across LSE, and will work on a group consultancy project, as well as an individual dissertation. Students on the MSc in International Development and Humanitarian Emergencies (IDHE) course will also be eligible for consideration. As well as studying for a MSc,

the PfAL scholars will attend a regular series of leadership workshops and seminars throughout their first two terms at LSE, enabling the students to come together as a cohort and interact with core faculty.

A key part of the Lalji family's vision for PfAL is to create a powerful network of leaders across Africa who can individually and collectively have a positive developmental impact within their communities, countries and beyond. To this end, the Lalji family are in the process of setting up a new public foundation in the US, with LSE as one of its main philanthropic partners. The two organisations will work together to expand upon the existing collaboration, to include scholarships and forums in Africa, bringing together past and present PfAL scholars.

Firoz and Najma originally met and were married in Uganda but were forced to relocate to Canada in 1972, after dictator Idi Amin expelled many of Uganda's Asian citizens. This was shortly after Firoz finished his degree in Economics at LSE. Once in Canada, he set up a successful chain of 225 camera stores across the country and in the US. After selling these in 1997, he is now the owner and chief executive of Zones Inc, a national provider of IT products, software, services and data centre solutions, including Cloud technologies, to global enterprises, businesses, governments and education. The company is based out of Seattle, Washington, with offices and solution centres across the US, Canada, UK and India, and with partner organisations globally.

Firoz and Najma's daughters, Natasha (BSc Social Policy and Administration 2009) and Farah Lalji said: "Two generations of our family have enjoyed an LSE education and we are proud to be part of an initiative which enables African students to enjoy the same opportunities that we did. By unleashing and supporting African talent we are empowering the next generation of leaders, sending them to the same institution that inspired African leaders such as Kwame Nkrumah and Jomo Kenyatta."



# The Women's Library @ LSE launched



**On 26 February 2013, LSE celebrated the future of The Women's Library @ LSE with an evening reception.**

LSE undertook custodianship of The Women's Library from London Metropolitan University on 1 January 2013, and this internationally important collection is being transferred to LSE Library over the coming months. As The Women's Library @ LSE, it will continue to shed light on over a century of women's struggles for equality, and will sit alongside complementary collections already held by LSE.

Over drinks and canapés, to the accompaniment of a student jazz band, LSE welcomed guests, who included staff, alumni, Friends of The Women's Library, current supporters and other interested parties. Among the attendees were representatives of major depositors to The Women's Library collections, including The Josephine Butler Society, the National Federation of Women's Institutes, The Fawcett Society and Professor Sheila Rowbotham, feminist and early member of the Women's Liberation Movement. LSE alumna Maria Miller MP (pictured right), secretary of state for Culture, Media and Sport, and minister for Women and Equalities, also attended the celebration of this new chapter in the history of The Women's Library.

Guests heard from LSE pro-director Paul Kelly, who expressed the School's delight in being selected as the new home of The Women's Library collection. Dr Anne Summers, Chair of the Friends of The Women's Library, spoke about the history of the collection, while Elizabeth Chapman, director of LSE Library Services, outlined LSE's plans for The Women's Library @ LSE.

The Women's Library @ LSE will continue to grow in its new home, retaining its identity as a distinct resource and benefiting from the expertise of LSE Library staff.

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LSE Library promotes its collections through exhibitions, events and digitisation projects, and will be marking the June centenary of Emily Wilding Davison's death with a digital exhibition online.

For more information about supporting The Women's Library @ LSE, contact [womenslibrary@lse.ac.uk](mailto:womenslibrary@lse.ac.uk)



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