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All Deans of Faculties
Jamia Millia Islamia,

Sub.: Regarding "Commonwealth Academic Fellowship" and "Commonwealth Split-site Doctoral Scholarship" tenable in UK for the year 2014.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to enclose herewith copies of two letters dated September 11 and 13, 2013 alongwith their enclosures received from Mr. Charan Das, Under Secretary, University Grants Commission, New Delhi on the subjects mentioned above and to request you to kindly arrange to circulate it amongst all the departments under your faculty for information of faculty members.

Yours sincerely,

Aftab Ahmad

(Aftab Ahmad)
Asstt. Registrar (A&C)

✓ Encl.: As above

Copy to the all Directors of the Centres of Studies, JMI for information and necessary action.

ADMINISTRATION BRANCH

FTS No. 180488

Dated 23/9/2013



UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
BAHADUR SHAH ZAFAR MARG
NEW DELHI-110002

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The Registrar
No. F. 173-1/2013 (IC)
Jamia Millia Islamia
Jamia Nagar
New Delhi-110 025
Delhi

September, 2013



Sub: Commonwealth Academic Fellowship tenable in UK for the year 2014.

Sir/Madam,

The Commonwealth Scholarship Commission, United Kingdom has offered **80(Eighty)** Commonwealth Academic Fellowships tenable in the United Kingdom for **three months** for the year 2014. These fellowships are available in all disciplines including Medicine and Dentistry. The Fellowships are for a specific programme of academic collaboration, skills updating and networking designed to enhance teaching and future research capabilities and are not restricted to particular subject areas. It is expected that the programme will be closely related to the academic work an individual will return to his/her home country on completion of the period of abroad. Awards are not available for study towards a higher degree and are not intended purely for discrete research projects.

Citizenship and Residency : Candidates should be citizen of India.

Eligibility : Be available to commence their Fellowship in the United Kingdom on 1 September, 2014. Any other start date will only be permitted in exceptional circumstances.

Have been employed for at least five years as an academic staff member of a university in a developing Commonwealth country. Be in the employment of the nominating University
AND
Hold a doctorate
OR
In the fields of medicine and dentistry, have qualified as doctor or dentist before 1 October, 2004

Duration : Duration of fellowship is 3 months.

Application must be submitted using the Commission's Electronic Application System (EAS), a link to which is available on website at <http://bit.ly/cscuk-academic-fellowships>. The form can be downloaded, saved and completed electronically but should then be printed 3(three) times and submitted to UGC duly signed by the Vice-Chancellor (in case of University/Colleges) and Executive Head (in case of Institution) along with office seal and with all the required supporting documents (attested copies of original) so as to reach the "Section Officer (IC Section), Room No.508A, University Grants Commission, Bahadurshah Zafar Marg, New Delhi-110002 on or before 14th October 2013 positively.

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The Envelope Containing the application should be subscribed as, "Application for Commonwealth Academic Fellowship tenable in UK for the year 2014".

The candidates are requested to be ready to complete their EAS application by **17th December 2013 in U.K, if selected.** You are further requested to read the instructions very carefully and send the application duly completed in all respects. The incomplete applications are liable to be rejected and no communication will be sent to the candidate in this regard. It may please be noted that nomination made by the UGC does not automatically guarantee selection or placement in UK and final selection of candidates rest with the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission in United Kingdom.

It may also be noted that the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission needs **confidential references** (rather than testimonials) specifically relating to the candidate's suitability for the planned studies. If the nominee has recently taken any former study at home or abroad – especially in the United Kingdom – the supervisor of that study **must** be named and asked to provide a statement which should be included with the papers or sent directly to this Commission identifying the candidate by name, home university and the type of award.

Candidates are requested to make independent approaches to their preferred institution and to state their preferences on the application form. Letters of acceptance from the UK host academic must be included with the application form in order for the candidate to be eligible to be considered for a Fellowship.

A copy of the guidelines along with the synopsis form is enclosed. It is also available on the UGC website at http://www.ugc.ac.in/ugc_ic.aspx and <http://bit.ly/cscuk-academic-fellowships>. You are requested to display the above offer prominently and bring it to the notice of all Institutions and affiliated colleges and forward **not more than five nominations (this should be in order of merit and strictly followed).** Individual nomination should not be sent.

Please note that the ACU, U.K. will only accept nominations from the candidate's employing Vice-Chancellor or Executive Head. This section/page should NOT be completed by any other individual on behalf of the Vice-Chancellor or Executive Head. If the candidate's employing institution is affiliated to a university, the parent university should complete this section. If the candidate is employed by an autonomous non-university institution.

Yours faithfully,


(Charan Dass)
Under Secretary

Encl: As above

NB: The completed application should be sent to the Commission by stipulated date i.e. 14th October, 2013.



UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
BAHADURSHAH ZAFAR MARG
NEW DELHI – 110002

SYNOPSIS FOR THE AWARD OF COMMONWEALTH ACADEMIC
FELLOWSHIP-2014

(TO BE FILLED BY THE CANDIDATE IN DUPLICATE)

1. Name of the Candidate _____
2. Date of Birth and age _____
3. Subject _____
4. (A) Present Place of work _____

(B) Designation _____
(C) Institution/University _____
(D) Total Period _____
5. Postal Address _____

6. Phone No.(with STD code) (O)_____
- (R)_____
- (M)_____
7. Fax No.(with STD code) _____
8. Email ID _____

9. Academic Qualification (From +2 onward)

*10. In the fields of medicine and dentistry have qualified as a doctor or dentist before 01 October 2003.

11. Total Teaching Experience(in years) _____

12. Research Experience (in years) _____

13. Total number of papers Published in journals _____

14. Total numbers of papers presented in Conference _____

15. Field of specialization of Study _____

16.	Reference for place of study in United Kingdom	Institution Address	Name of the supervisor of contact

17.(A) Whether visited abroad during the last years? YES NO

(B) Whether any visit mentioned vide (A) above was supported by UGC? YES NO

18. Please mention from which subject Expert to be interviewed

(Signature of the Candidate)

* Only for those who are from medicine and dentistry discipline.

Commonwealth Academic Fellowships

United Kingdom Awards 2014

This prospectus and a link to the Electronic Application System (EAS) are available
on our website at <http://bit.ly/1v1e-academic-fellowships>



COMMONWEALTH
SCHOLARSHIPS

INTRODUCTION

Since their inception in 1959, some 27,500 individuals have benefited from the award of Commonwealth Scholarships and Fellowships to pursue advanced academic study in other Commonwealth countries. About two thirds of awards have been tenable in the United Kingdom. The vast majority of award holders have returned to make a significant contribution to their home countries, in many cases at the highest level, making the award scheme one of the largest and most prestigious in the world.

This prospectus describes the Commonwealth Academic Fellowships offered by the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission in the United Kingdom for citizens of developing Commonwealth countries in 2014-2015. Separate programmes and prospectuses exist for the Commonwealth Scholarships, scholarships offered by distance learning and on a shared funding basis, and for short mid-career professional fellowships offered by the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission. Please visit the CSC website at www.dfid.gov.uk/cscuk for details of these programmes. For information on Commonwealth Scholarships offered by other Commonwealth countries, please visit the Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan (CSFP) website at www.csfp-online.org

The Commonwealth Scholarship Commission's Secretariat is provided by the Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU), which is responsible for all matters concerning selection, academic studies, and evaluation. The British Council is responsible for supporting award holders in their home countries before and after their awards.

ELIGIBILITY

To apply for a Commonwealth Academic Fellowship, candidates should:

- Be Commonwealth citizens, refugees, or British protected persons
- Be permanently resident in a developing Commonwealth country (a full list is available at <http://bit.ly/cscuk-developing-cw-countries>)
- Be available to commence their Fellowship in the United Kingdom on 1 September 2014. Any other start date will only be permitted in exceptional circumstances
- Have been employed for at least five years as an academic staff member of a university in a developing Commonwealth country
- Be in the employment of the nominating university

AND

- Hold a doctorate

OR

- For awards to enhance clinical skills in the fields of medicine and dentistry, have qualified as a doctor or dentist before 1 October 2004. Please see <http://bit.ly/cscuk-apply> for scholarship opportunities if you qualified after this date

The Commission wishes to promote equal opportunity, gender equity and cultural exchange. Applications are encouraged from a diverse range of candidates.

HOW CAN I APPLY?

Nominations for Commonwealth Academic Fellowships may be made by invitation through the following channels:

- The Executive Head of an eligible developing country university on whose staff the applicant serves
- In the case of Bangladesh and India, nominations are made through the University Grants Commission; in Pakistan, through the Higher Education Commission; and in Sri Lanka, through the Secretary, Ministry of Higher Education
- The Executive Head of selected developing country research institutes on whose staff the applicant serves

A full list of universities/research institutes invited to nominate can be found on the CSC website. Those wishing to be considered for inclusion in the list of institutions invited should contact the Executive Secretary of the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission (c/o The Association of Commonwealth Universities, Woburn House, 20-24 Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9HF).

Applications must be submitted using the Commission's Electronic Application System (EAS), a link to which is available on our website at <http://bit.ly/cscuk-academic-fellowships>. All applications must be submitted to and endorsed by one of the approved nominating bodies detailed above. Please note that all Fellowship candidates must complete their application using the EAS by 3 December 2013.

The Commission regrets that it is unable to accept nominations from other organisations or applications directly from individuals, and that these cannot be acknowledged.

PURPOSE AND TENURE

Awards are tenable at any approved UK university or higher education institution. The purpose of the Academic Fellowships is to provide an opportunity for Fellows to network and update knowledge and skills related to their academic subject and responsibilities. Awards are tenable for **three months**. A small number of awards may be granted for collaborative research which is already underway between a Fellow's employing institution and an institution in the UK. These may be made for a tenure of up to six months.

PLACEMENT

The final decision on institution of study will be made by the Commission, which reserves the right to overrule any preferences expressed by the candidate at the application stage. Applicants are, however, expected to identify one institution that they consider appropriate to carry out the proposed programme on the application form, and explain the reasons for their selection. This is important since the Commission will not change the institution for which the candidate has been provisionally selected after the Commission's selection committee has met, unless exceptional information becomes available that could not have been foreseen at the time of application. Candidates must provide, in their application, evidence of agreement from an academic at their chosen institution to host their Fellowship.

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THE SELECTION PROCESS

Nominations for 2014 Commonwealth Academic Fellowships tenable in the United Kingdom are required to arrive with the Commission no later than 17 December 2013, in electronic format. Universities and other nominating bodies will have organised their own competitions in advance of this, which will have earlier deadlines and local rules for application, which you are strongly advised to check.

In order to ensure a competitive process in the United Kingdom, the Commission normally seeks approximately three times more nominations than there are Fellowships available. Following this deadline, each nomination is first considered by a member of the Commission's panel of advisers with expertise in the subject area concerned and then by the Commission's selection committee in competition with other applicants.

Applications are considered according to the following selection criteria:

- Academic merit of the candidate
- The quality of the proposal
- The likely impact of the work on the development of the candidate's home country.

VALUE OF AWARDS

Each Fellowship provides:

- Approved airfare to the United Kingdom and return on expiry of the Fellowship (the cost of journeys made before final award confirmation will not normally be reimbursed, nor can fares be paid for a Fellow's dependants)
- A research support grant fixed according to subject
- A personal maintenance allowance at the rate of £1,467 per month (£1,819 per month for those studying at institutions in the London Metropolitan area) – rates quoted at 2012-2013 levels
- A grant towards the expenses of preparing reports and other written work
- An initial arrival allowance, incorporating an initial clothing grant for Fellows from tropical countries
- A grant for expenses for approved travel within the United Kingdom or overseas
- Candidates should note that there is no spouse or child allowance available. A Fellow who is widowed, divorced or a lone parent and accompanied by children for whom she/he is solely legally responsible will receive an allowance in respect of the first accompanying child and child allowances for the second and third accompanying children. The level of financial support given towards the costs of family maintenance in the UK is under review and is subject to change in terms of both eligibility and rate availability

More information can be found about the terms and conditions of the Fellowships in the Handbook for Commonwealth Scholars and Fellows, available on the CSC website.

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF AWARD

Applicants should be aware of the following general conditions:

- Candidates will be notified of their provisional selection by the Commission, that is selection for award subject to the Commission agreeing the terms of admission to the university/institution
- Candidates will be given a formal Notification of Award, the offer of a Fellowship, as soon as terms of admission to the university/institution have been agreed
- The Commission will require a medical report before an award can be confirmed
- Formal confirmation of an award will be issued when all conditions of the Notification of Award have been met
- Fellows will be expected to take up the award from the date stated by the Commission in its Notification of Award
- Fellows will be required to sign an undertaking to return to their home country as soon as their award comes to an end with a view to resuming or taking up the university appointment in connection with which they were nominated.
- Fellows will be expected to reside in the United Kingdom throughout their award, and to seek prior approval for any proposed visits abroad
- Fellows may not undertake paid employment during their award
- A Commonwealth Academic Fellowship cannot be held concurrently with any other award
- The Commission reserves the right to publish the names of candidates provisionally selected for awards on the CSC website. By applying for an award, the candidate gives consent for such publication in the event that his/her application is successful
- All terms and conditions of award are subject to UK local law and practices, and are subject to change by the Commission
- Candidates from Commonwealth countries which require a Tier 5 Government Authorised Exchange Visa to come to the UK for the purpose of the Fellowship will be required to meet all immigration and visa criteria set by the UK immigration authority. The Commission has no control over these regulations and they could change at any point. You are advised to check the immigration authority website at www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk for updates
- In line with the UK Bribery Act which came into effect on 1 July 2011, it is Commission policy that any candidate convicted of bribery will be banned from reapplying for a Commonwealth Academic Fellowship for a period of up to five years
- An Academic Fellowship may be terminated at any time for reasons of unsatisfactory conduct or attendance

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

The primary aims of awards to enhance clinical skills are for the award holder to learn a new clinical skill, to practise the new clinical skill, and to network with others in the same and related specialties. The secondary aims are for the award holder to participate in the academic activities of the host organisation, and to conduct small-scale research projects. To be eligible, a candidate must have qualified in medicine or dentistry before 1 October 2004. The duration of an award can be between 3 and 6 months; experience suggests that a minimum of 4 months is sensible. To coincide with the academic activities of the host organisation, awards are expected to start in October 2014. To meet the primary aims of the award, the award holder must be registered with either the General Medical Council or the General Dental Council. Failure to meet the English language requirements for registration by 31 May 2014 means that the award will not be confirmed. The CSC does not fund medical or dental observerships.



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Commonwealth Scholarship Commission in the United Kingdom
c/o The Association of Commonwealth Universities
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September, 2013

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THE REGISTRAR
JAMIA MILLIA ISLAMIA
JAMIA NAGAR
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DELHI



Sub: **Commonwealth Split-site Doctoral Scholarship tenable in United Kingdom for the year 2014.**

Sir/Madam,

The Commonwealth Scholarship Commission, United Kingdom has offered Commonwealth Split-site Doctoral Scholarship tenable in the United Kingdom for the year 2014. These scholarships are available in all disciplines including Medicine and Dentistry.

Eligibility

- Be Commonwealth citizens, refugees, or British protected persons
 - Be permanently resident in a Commonwealth country other than the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man.
 - Be available to commence their academic studies in the United Kingdom by the start of the UK academic year in September/October 2014
 - Hold, by October 2013, a first degree of upper second class Honours standard (or above); or a second class degree and a relevant postgraduate qualification, which will normally be a Master's degree
- AND
- For enhancing clinical skills in the fields of medicine and dentistry, have qualified as a doctor or dentist between 1 October 2004 and 30 September 2009.

Duration

12 months' non-degree study in the United Kingdom on a Split-Site basis to aid the completion of a doctoral degree undertaken at a university in the candidate's home country.

Effective date of award

The Scholarship will commence from September/October 2014 in U.K.

Application must be submitted using the Commission's Electronic Application System (EAS), a link to which is available on website at <http://bit.ly/cscuk-apply>. The form can be downloaded, saved and completed electronically but should then be printed three(3) times and submitted to UGC duly signed by the Vice-Chancellor (in case of University/Colleges) and Executive Head (in case of Institution) along with office seal and with all the required supporting documents (attested copies of original) so as to reach the "Section Officer (IC Section), Room No.508-A, University Grants Commission, Bahadurshah Zafar Marg, New Delhi-110002 on or before 14th October, 2013.

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Signature
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The Envelope Containing the application should be subscribed as, "Application for Commonwealth Split-Site Doctoral Scholarship tenable in United Kingdom for the year 2014".

A copy of the guidelines along with the synopsis form is enclosed. It is also available on the UGC website at www.ugc.ac.in and <http://bit.ly/cscuk-apply>. You are requested to display the above offer prominently and bring it to the notice of all Institutions and affiliated colleges and forward **not more than five nominations** (this should be in order of merit and strictly followed). Individual nomination should not be sent.

Direct application from the applicant will not be entertained. The candidate is requested to be ready to complete their EAS application by 03rd December 2013 in U.K, if selected.

It may please be noted that nomination made by the UGC does not automatically guarantee selection or placement in UK and final selection of candidates rest with the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission in United Kingdom.

It may be noted that for 12 months study in the United Kingdom on Split-site basis must be made in the context of a department/institutional link with a UK University already in operation or currently under negotiation. Candidates will have the option of one full 12 months period of study or two six month periods with a period not greater than their home Ph.d at the time of application will be eligible to spend a maximum of six months in the UK in the first year of their studies.

Yours faithfully,


(Charan Dass)
Under Secretary

Encl: As above

- NB:**
- 1. Though there is a provision of scholarship for proposed study in the UK taught Master Courses and Clinical training only AND Research Degrees only, the UGC has been authorized to entertain applications for Commonwealth Split Site Doctoral Scholarship only.**
 - 2. The completed application should be sent to the Commission by stipulated date i.e. 14th October, 2013**



UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
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NEW DELHI – 110002

SYNOPSIS FOR THE AWARD OF COMMONWEALTH SPLIT SITE
DOCTORAL SCHOLARSHIP-2014

(TO BE FILLED BY THE CANDIDATE IN DUPLICATE)

1. Name of the Candidate _____
2. Date of Birth and age _____
3. Subject _____
- 4.(A) Present Place of work _____

- (B) Designation _____
- (C) Institution/University _____
- (D) Total Period _____
5. Postal Address _____

6. Phone No.(with STD code) (O) _____
(R) _____
(M) _____
7. Fax No.(with STD code) _____
8. Email ID _____

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9. Academic Qualification (From +2 onward)

10. (A)	Reference for place of study in United Kingdom	Institution Address	Name of the supervisor of contact

10(B) Field of Specialization of the Study _____

11. Please mention from which subject
Expert to be interviewed

(Signature of the Candidate)

Commonwealth Scholarships

United Kingdom Awards 2014

This prospectus and a link to the Electronic Application System (EAS) are available
on our website: follow the links at <http://bit.ly/cscuk-apply>



COMMONWEALTH
SCHOLARSHIPS

INTRODUCTION

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This prospectus describes the Commonwealth Scholarships offered by the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission in the United Kingdom for citizens of other Commonwealth countries in 2014-2015. Separate programmes and prospectuses exist for the scholarships offered by distance learning and on a shared funding basis, and for short mid-career fellowships, both academic and professional, offered by the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission. Please visit the CSC website at www.dfid.gov.uk/cscuk for details of these programmes. For information on Commonwealth Scholarships offered by other Commonwealth countries, please visit the Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan (CSFP) website at www.csfp-online.org

The Commonwealth Scholarship Commission's Secretariat is provided by the Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU), which is responsible for all matters concerning selection, academic studies, and evaluation. The British Council is responsible for supporting award holders in their home countries before and after their awards.

ELIGIBILITY

To apply for the awards covered in this prospectus, candidates should:

- Be Commonwealth citizens, refugees, or British protected persons
 - Be permanently resident in a developing Commonwealth country (a full list is available at <http://bit.ly/cscuk-developing-cw-countries>)
 - Be available to commence their academic studies in the United Kingdom by the start of the UK academic year in September/October 2014
 - Hold, by October 2014, a first degree of upper second class Honours standard (or above); or a second class degree and a relevant postgraduate qualification, which will normally be a Master's degree
- AND
- For awards to enhance clinical skills in the fields of medicine and dentistry, have qualified as a doctor or dentist between 1 October 2004 and 30 September 2009. Please see <http://bit.ly/cscuk-apply> for fellowship opportunities if you qualified before October 2004.

The Commission wishes to promote equal opportunity, gender equity and cultural exchange. Applications are encouraged from a diverse range of candidates.

WHAT TYPES OF AWARD ARE AVAILABLE AND HOW CAN I APPLY?

The Commission invites the nomination of candidates for Commonwealth Scholarships from a number of sources. These are described below. Candidates may choose any of these 'nominating routes' for any category of award, subject to the exceptions noted. Candidates must apply locally in the first instance. The Commission does not accept direct applications.

For the following categories of award...

- 12-36 months' support towards completion of either a full-time taught or a doctoral postgraduate qualification at an eligible UK institution. These awards are open to those candidates nominated either by the Vice Chancellor/Executive Head of their employing institution or by the appointed agency in their home country. Please note that the Commission offers awards for one-year Master's programmes only, and does not fund MBAs
- 12 months' non-degree study in the United Kingdom on a Split-Site basis to aid the completion of a doctoral degree undertaken at a university in the candidate's home country
- Up to 6 months enhancing clinical skills in medicine or dentistry (available only to candidates from developing countries). These awards are open to candidates nominated by their Vice Chancellor/Executive Head or by the appointed agency in the home country

... nominations are invited through the following channels

- The candidate's national Commonwealth Scholarship agency. This is the main route of application and a full list of Commonwealth Scholarship agency addresses can be obtained from the CSC website
- The Executive Head of an eligible developing country university on whose staff the applicant serves. (In the case of Bangladesh and India, nominations are made through the University Grants Commission; in Pakistan, through the Higher Education Commission; and in Sri Lanka, through the Secretary, Ministry of Higher Education)
- Selected non-governmental organisations, charitable bodies and development partnerships

Candidates can apply to study at doctoral (including split-site) and Master's level at UK institutions with which the Commission has a part funding agreement. A list of institutions that have agreed to offer part funded scholarships in 2014-2015 is available at <http://bit.ly/cscuk-uk-universities>. Agreement to part fund scholarships is at the discretion of individual institutions.

In addition, the Commission offers:

- Support for study towards an undergraduate degree in the United Kingdom for citizens of the Falkland Islands, Maldives, St Helena and the Seychelles. Nomination is through the national Commonwealth Scholarship agency

A full list of universities and other organisations invited to nominate can be found on the CSC website. Those wishing to be considered for inclusion in the list of universities and other organisations invited should contact the Executive Secretary of the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission (c/o The Association of Commonwealth Universities, Woburn House, 20-24 Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9HF).

Applications must be submitted using the Commission's Electronic Application System (EAS), which is available on our website by following the appropriate links at <http://bit.ly/cscuk-apply>. All applications must be submitted to and endorsed by one of the approved nominating bodies detailed previously. Please note that all Scholarship candidates must complete their application using the EAS by 3 December 2013.

Awards made by the Commission are subject to the ongoing endorsement of the nominating body. The Commission regrets that it is unable to accept nominations from other organisations or applications directly from individuals, and that these cannot be acknowledged.

TENURE AND PLACEMENT

Awards are tenable at any approved UK university or higher education institution with whom the Commission has a part funding agreement (i.e. those on the list mentioned previously) for a specific programme of study or research and are not restricted to particular subject areas. Awards are to obtain one degree and funding will not be extended to enable candidates to complete an additional or higher qualification than that for which the selection was made. Scholarships are made in respect of full-time study only and no other courses of study may be undertaken at the same time.

It is important that candidates make clear at the point of application the qualification for which they are applying, especially if they wish to be considered for a Scholarship intended to lead to a doctoral degree. This will enable the Commission to consider the application in the correct category.

The final decision on institution of study will be made by the Commission, which reserves the right to overrule any preferences expressed by the candidate at the application stage. The Commission will consider the suitability of the course and its value for money when considering any overrule. Tuition fees for at least the current academic year are published on university websites. Applicants are, however, expected to identify at least one and up to three institutions and courses (or supervisors for research degree applicants) that they consider most appropriate on the application form, and explain the reasons for their selection. This is important since the Commission will not change the institution or course for which the candidate has been provisionally selected after the Commission's selection committee has met, unless exceptional information becomes available that could not have been foreseen at the time of application. **Many courses have strict admission deadlines and candidates must take the necessary steps to secure admission to their preferred institutions in advance of any Scholarship application to the Commission.** Please note that applicants for doctoral study must provide a statement of support from at least one of the UK institutions to which they are applying, in order for their application to be eligible. Candidates in business, management, economics and other related fields should note that a number of university departments will require a candidate to demonstrate a valid GMAT or GRE score before an offer of admission can be made. Candidates should check admission requirements carefully at the time of application.

Applications for 12 months' study in the United Kingdom on a Split-Site basis must be made in the context of a departmental/institutional link with a UK university already in operation or currently under negotiation and must include a letter of invitation from the proposed UK host department. Candidates will have the option of one full 12 month period of study or two six month periods with a period not greater than 12 months elapsing between each term. Those candidates who have not yet commenced their home PhD at the time of application will be eligible to spend a maximum of six months in the UK in the first year of their studies.

Please note that where the Commission selects a candidate who will have already started their PhD study by the time of their selection, their Scholarship will commence at the start of the next academic year (i.e. in September/October following the selection) and will end after the Scholar has been registered for their PhD for 36 months, in line with the Commission's policy on PhD length. Agreement on part funding in these circumstances is at the discretion of the institution, and candidates should check with the institution(s) at which they wish to study before applying for a scholarship. The Commission is reviewing its policy on

candidates who have already started their PhD study; please check <http://bit.ly/cscuk-uk-universities> for updates.

THE SELECTION PROCESS

Nominations for 2014 Commonwealth Scholarships tenable in the United Kingdom are required to arrive with the Commission no later than 17 December 2013 in electronic format. All nominating authorities will have organised their own competitions in advance of this, with earlier deadlines and local rules for application, that you are strongly advised to check.

In order to ensure a competitive process in the United Kingdom, the Commission normally seeks approximately three times more nominations than there are Scholarships available. Following this deadline, each nomination is first considered by a member of the Commission's panel of advisers with expertise in the subject area concerned and then by the Commission's selection committee in competition with other applicants.

Applications are considered according to the following selection criteria:

- Academic merit of the candidate
- The quality of the proposal
- The likely impact of the work on the development of the candidate's home country

VALUE OF AWARDS

Each Scholarship provides:

- Student concessionary or other approved airfare to the United Kingdom and return on expiry of the Scholarship (the cost of journeys made before final award confirmation will not normally be reimbursed, nor can fares be paid for a Scholar's dependants)
- Approved tuition and examination fees
- A personal maintenance allowance at the rate of £917 per month (£1,134 per month for those studying at institutions in the London Metropolitan area) – rates quoted at 2012-2013 levels
- A grant towards the expenses of preparing a thesis or dissertation where applicable
- An initial arrival allowance, incorporating an initial clothing grant for Scholars from tropical countries
- A grant for expenses for approved travel within the United Kingdom or overseas
- A grant towards fieldwork costs for those Scholars undertaking doctoral studies for whom a case has been made for fieldwork outside the United Kingdom. This shall not normally exceed on economy class return airfare to the fieldwork location
- A paid mid-term fare to their home country for Scholars on three year doctoral awards. Scholars for whom fieldwork fares are provided to their home country shall not be entitled to a mid-term fare home nor Scholars who have claimed (or intend to claim) spouse or child allowances for more than 12 months during their award
- For Scholars selected by the Commission for awards exceeding 1 months, a spouse allowance of £220 per month is payable provide that the Scholar and spouse are residing together at the same address in the United Kingdom. It is not paid when the spouse is also in receipt of an award. For Scholars accompanied by their spouse and children, a child allowance is payable at the rate of £138 per month for the first child, and £108 per month for the second and third child under the age of 16, provided they are residing with the

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parents. The Commission's spouse and family allowances represent only a contribution towards the costs of family maintenance in the UK and Scholars should expect and be able to supplement these allowances to support family members who choose to come to the UK.

Irrespective of the length of the award, a Scholar who is widowed, divorced or a lone parent will receive an allowance in respect of the first accompanying child and child allowances for the second and third accompanying children

More information can be found about the terms and conditions of the Scholarships in the Handbook for Commonwealth Scholars and Fellows, available on the CSC website.

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF AWARD

Applicants should be aware of the following general conditions:

- The Commission reserves the right to publish the names of candidates provisionally selected for awards on the CSC website. By applying for an award, the candidate gives consent for such publication in the event that his/her application is successful
- Candidates will be notified of their provisional selection by the Commission: that is, selection for award subject to the Commission agreeing the terms of admission to the university/institution
- Candidates will be given a formal Notification of Award – the offer of a Scholarship – as soon as terms of admission to the university/institution have been agreed
- Formal confirmation of the award will be issued when all conditions of the Notification of Award have been met
- Scholars will be expected to take up the award from the date stated by the Commission in its Notification of Award
- A Commonwealth Scholarship covers fees, fares and personal maintenance. Similar awards may not be held concurrently
- Scholars will be expected to reside in the United Kingdom throughout their award, and to seek prior approval for any proposed visits abroad
- Scholars may not undertake paid employment during their award without prior consent
- The Commission will require a medical report before an award can be confirmed
- Scholars will be required to sign an undertaking to return to their home country as soon as their award comes to an end
- The Commission will only consider requests to extend leave to remain in the UK post-award for those wishing to move from Master's to PhD study. Strict conditions will apply
- The Commission will therefore be unable to provide any letter of

support which might be required by an award holder to stay on to work in the UK

- All terms and conditions of award are subject to UK local law and practices, and are subject to change by the Commission
- All regulations concerning immigration and visas are set by the UK immigration authority. The Commission has no control over these; please note that they are subject to change
- Candidates from Commonwealth countries which require a Tier 4 visa to come to the UK for study may be required to take an approved English language test and/or be screened for tuberculosis in order to obtain their visa. The regulations on this could change at any point. You are advised to check the UK immigration authority website at www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk for updates
- In line with the UK Bribery Act which came into effect on 1 July 2011, it is Commission policy that any candidate convicted of bribery will be banned from reapplying for a Commonwealth Scholarship for a period of up to five years
- A Scholarship may be terminated at any time for reasons of unsatisfactory conduct, progress, or attendance

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

The Commission may require candidates to undertake the academic IELTS English language test as a condition of eligibility. It is the candidate's responsibility to check with their nominating agency whether this requirement applies to them and to note that an IELTS test will only be considered valid if taken after 1 October 2013 and before 6 March 2014. As a further condition of award, the Commission, or a host institution in the United Kingdom, may require a candidate to provide evidence of a particular level of English language training.

The primary aims of awards to enhance clinical skills are for the award holder to learn a new clinical skill, to practise the new clinical skill, and to network with others in the same and related specialties. The secondary aims are for the award holder to participate in the academic activities of the host organisation, and to conduct small-scale research projects. To be eligible, a candidate must have qualified in medicine or dentistry between 1 October 2004 and 30 September 2009. The duration of an award can be between 3 and 6 months; experience suggests that a minimum of 4 months is sensible. To meet the primary aims of the award, the award holder must be registered with either the General Medical Council or the General Dental Council. Failure to meet the English language requirements for registration by 31 May 2014 means that the award will not be confirmed. The Commission does not fund medical or dental observerships.



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