

The Centre for International
Health and Development
(CIHD)
UCL Institute of Child Health
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Dear Applicant

CIHD African Graduate Scholarships:

As a prospective UCL CIHD MSc or MPhil/PhD candidate you are invited to apply for the CP/AN Charitable Trust African Graduate Scholarship.

Aim:

The Scholarship exists to support African nationals with a high-quality academic and professional background who wish to further develop their skills and knowledge in their specific field in their home countries. The Scholarship is a one-off award for the academic year September-September.

Candidates must meet the following criteria:

- The candidate must be an African national and a permanent resident of an African nation.
- The candidate must have already made an application to UCL to study a full-time postgraduate programme at the Centre for International Health and Development for the coming academic year. (**Please note:** If you have deferred your studies at CIHD for more than 2 years, you may be required to make a new UCL application for your degree. Please consult the registry department at UCL regarding this matter.)
- The scheme offers scholarships towards UCL tuition fees and some cost of living. Therefore the candidate must arrange for and obtain the additional funding required to cover travel and other expenses.
- Please also see the application procedure below for additional information.

Scholarship Application Procedure:

Candidates are required to complete a CP/AN Charitable Trust scholarship application form.

Candidates are required to submit their completed scholarship application forms with the following documentation:

- Two reference letters. (Preferably one professional reference and one academic reference). Reference letters must be on letter-headed paper with a signature and must be signed across the seal of the envelope to ensure confidentiality.
- Where possible, a copy of the UCL unconditional offer letter for the relevant academic year that the scholarship is intended for.

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- A current CV.
- A letter confirming current employment status.
- Copies of certificates and transcripts for higher education and professional training.
- A detailed personal statement explaining why the applicant wishes to come and study their chosen programme and how the scholarship funding will assist them in contributing to their specific field.
- Proof of funding status including evidence that they have applied to other funding bodies for the additional expenses. If any additional funding has been obtained, the applicant must provide evidence of this in the form of a signed letter from the funding organisation stating the additional sponsorship/scholarship amount in sterling. If the funding comes from personal resources, copies of official bank statements showing the balance of funds must be submitted.

Candidates must submit their scholarship application to the CIHD scholarship committee by the deadline given in the application form. Application forms can be obtained from and, when completed, should be returned to the following postal or email address.

CIHD Postgraduate Teaching Office
UCL Centre for International Health and Development
Institute of Child Health
30 Guilford Street
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Email: cihdsc@ich.ucl.ac.uk

Forms can also be faxed to: +44 (0) 207 404 2062
(If sending by fax, please inform Teaching Office that documents are being sent)

Please Note: If submitting your application form by email please complete the document on-line in its original format and email it back to the administrator as one document. Please do not submit individual scanned pages of the application form unless there is a particular page that requires a signature.

Selection Procedure

Completed application forms will be reviewed shortly after the deadline stated on the application form.

The applications are considered and awarded by the Centre for International Health & Development (CIHD) Scholarship Committee. The committee aims to contact provisional successful candidates by email and post within 4 weeks of the deadline.

ADDITIONAL EXPENSES:

Candidates must be able to obtain additional funds needed to cover living costs and other expenses associated with their studies. You are responsible for finding the funding to cover these additional expenses. The amount needed will vary considerably depending on the circumstances of each individual candidate. Therefore the following should only be used as a guide and is based on the current academic year 09-10.

Estimated fees and expenses **for the year without** the Scholarship are as follows:

Estimated expenses for MSc applicants for 1 year

£12,280	(please note that tuition fees may increase each academic year)
£800	Initial expenses (warm clothes for winter, student supplies, etc)
£8,500	Accommodation, food, public transport and other daily expenses
Travel expenses*	(You will need to calculate the cost of your travel to and from the UK)
MSc Project costs*	(You will need to calculate the costs of your project if you choose to conduct an MSc project overseas)
£21,580* TOTAL (*minus travel and project costs)	

Estimated expenses for PhD applicants for 1 year

£16,670.00	Tuition fees whilst in the UK – (please note: tuition fees are less for the period of time that you are overseas on UCL approved student leave conducting research. Please also note that tuition fees may increase each academic year)
£800	Initial expenses (warm clothes for winter, student supplies, etc)
£8,500	Accommodation, food, public transport and other daily expenses
Travel expenses*	(You will need to calculate the cost of your travel to and from the UK)
Research costs*	(You will need to calculate the costs of setting up your project overseas)
£25, 970 *TOTAL (*minus travel and project costs)	

Estimated expenses after the scholarship

The amount awarded will be dependent on the individual candidate. Payment of the Scholarship is made in the form of a **deduction from tuition fees** at the start of the

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academic session and by cheques in regular intervals throughout the academic year.

If you advise potential sponsorship organisations of your scholarship application it may assist you in obtaining further funding from them.

Visas:

Obtaining a UK Visa, often involves a long process and you will need to give yourself at least three months before the start of the course to obtain a visa. In the event that a successful scholarship candidate is unable to obtain a UK visa on time before the start of the degree programme, the scholarship will **not** be reserved for them for the following academic year. They will have to reapply.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any further queries. We look forward to receiving your application.

Yours sincerely,

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