

Dear Applicant to the **IGH African Graduate Scholarships 2018-2019**

Sponsored by the **CP Charitable Trust**, and the **International Student House**, this scholarship exists to support African nationals with a high-quality academic and professional background who would not be able to study at UCL without financial assistance. The Scholarship is a one-off award for the academic year September-September to study Global Health and Development at UCL.

Candidates must meet the following criteria:

- The candidate must be an African national and a permanent resident of an African nation, at the time of application.
- The candidate must have applied and obtained an unconditional offer letter to study the full-time MSc in Global Health and Development at the UCL Institute for Global Health for the coming academic year.
- Demonstrate financial need.
- The scholarship covers UCL tuition fees, accommodation, and cost of living. The candidate must arrange for and obtain the additional funding required to cover travel, student visa, and initial expenses.
- Please also see the application procedure below for additional information.

Scholarship Application Procedure:

Once candidates have been accepted in the IGH Masters programme and obtained an unconditional offer letter, candidates are required to complete a scholarship application form.

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

- Two reference letters. (Preferably one professional 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 (if sent by post). If sent by e-mail the referee can send the signed letter directly to Alison Gilry at igh.prospective@ucl.ac.uk
- A copy of the UCL unconditional offer letter for the relevant academic year that the scholarship is intended for.
- A current CV.
- A letter confirming current employment status and annual salary in GBP.
- Copies of certificates and transcripts for higher education and professional training.
- A detailed personal statement.
- 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 IGH 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 address.

Alison Gilry
UCL Institute for Global Health
30 Guilford Street
London WC1N 1EH
Email: igh.prospective@ucl.ac.uk

If submitting your application by email please complete the form on-line in its original format and email it back to the administrator together with the CV, letters, and certificates as one single 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 UCL Institute for Global Health (IGH) Scholarship Committee. The committee aims to contact 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.

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

Estimated expenses for MSc applicants for 1 year

£18,850	Tuition fee for overseas students in 2018-2019 AY
£800	Initial expenses (warm clothes for winter, student supplies, etc.)
£15,000	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 as well as the cost for the student visa)

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MSc Project costs* (You will need to calculate the costs of your project **if you choose to conduct an MSc project overseas**. Candidates are not required to write a dissertation that requires travelling).

£34,650* TOTAL (*plus travel and project costs)

Scholarship award

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 and accommodation expenses** at the start of the academic session; and by cheques at regular intervals throughout the academic year to pay for food, transport and daily expenses.

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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