

Saint Andrew's Society of the State of New York

Scholarship Fund

Particulars of Scholarships to be awarded for Academic Year 2021-2022

For the academic year 2021-22, the Society will offer Scholarships to the total value of \$70,000 to enable Scottish graduates to study for a year in the United States. **Up to two Scholarships** will be offered of up to **\$35,000 each**.

Preference will be given to candidates who have no previous experience of the United States and for whom a period of study there can be expected to be a life-changing experience. Selection will be on the basis of an all-round assessment, including character, experience and academic achievement.

The selection process is administered for the Society by the Carnegie Trust for the Universities of Scotland, who will convene the Selection Committee and make recommendations to the Society.

Eligibility

1. Candidates must be Scottish by birth or descent, and will be expected to have current knowledge of Scotland and Scottish current affairs, and of the Scottish tradition generally. The Society expects its scholars to be good ambassadors for Scotland.
2. Candidates must also be:
 - either graduates of a Scottish university, or of Oxford or Cambridge, who have completed their *first* degree course (so as to be qualified to graduate) **not earlier than 2020**;
 - or students of a Scottish university, or of Oxford or Cambridge, who **expect to complete** their *first* degree course (so as to be qualified to graduate) **in 2021**.

The Grant

3. The monetary value of each Scholarship will be up to **\$35,000**, to be applied in the first instance to payment of tuition fees.
4. The Selection Committee has discretion to allow the grant to be applied wholly or mainly towards the cost of travel or accommodation, if they are satisfied that tuition fees will be paid (or waived) by the host university or by another grant-giving body.
5. There is no formal means test, but account will be taken of any other scholarship, bursary, grant or waiver of fees awarded in connection with the candidate's proposed course of study in the United States.
6. It is the responsibility of candidates to ensure that they have fully researched the total likely cost of studying in their chosen university, as well as the cost of travel and accommodation. Neither the Society nor the Carnegie Trust can offer further financial assistance beyond the amount of the Scholarship.
7. Applicants are advised that, once an application has been accepted by an American university, a deposit will need to be paid to the university to secure the place offered. The payment of the deposit may be required before the final outcome of the selection process for the St Andrew's scholarships is known.
8. Information about other possible sources of funding can be found at www.fundingusstudy.org.

Tenure

9. The Scholarship will be tenable from August 2021 to May 2022 at a university in the United States within a radius of 250 miles from New York City, or within the area of Washington DC.

10. Where a student cannot find a course for his/her special subject of study within the geographical area indicated above, the Society may consider allowing the Scholarship to be held at another university in the United States.

11. Candidates are strongly advised to apply to more than one university. In previous years highly qualified candidates have failed to gain a place at the university of their choice, and have then found it difficult or impossible to find a place elsewhere.

Scholars' involvement with the Society

12. The Society will invite its scholars to attend its annual Saint Andrew's Day Banquet in New York City and the reception the Society holds during the New York Tartan Week in April.

13. Scholars are expected to send to the Society at least two informal written reports, one in the first semester and the other in the second, addressing their personal and educational experiences during their time in the United States.

14. The scholars will be asked to stay in contact with the Society, so that they may continue to receive information about the Society and Society events, and so that the Society may learn of their progress as they advance their careers.

Application Process

15. Applications should be submitted through the student's UK university. Forms can be obtained from the appropriate address listed in Annex A. Applications should **NOT** be submitted directly to either the Saint Andrew's Society or to the Carnegie Trust.

16. The university through which the application is being made will specify their deadline for receipt of the application form.

17. The deadline for universities to return complete applications and references for their selected candidates is 15th March 2021. Late applications will not be considered.

References

18. Applications must be accompanied by references from *two* academic referees written on, or annexed to, the form entitled "Confidential Report by Referee". The form must be signed and dated by the applicant and the referee.

Interviews

19. Candidates will be informed by end March 2021 whether they have been selected for interview.

20. Interviews will take place in **Edinburgh, probably in the second half of April 2021 (exact date to be confirmed)**. Candidates will be informed whether they have been successful as soon as possible thereafter.

ANNEX A

Addresses for submission of applications and references

(Applications and references should NOT under any circumstances be sent directly to the Saint Andrew's Society or to the Carnegie Trust)

HEI	Title	First name	Surname	Position	Address	City	Postcode	direct email	PA
Edinburgh Napier University		Ben	Waite		Sighthill Campus Sighthill Court	EDINBURGH	EH11 4BN	B.Waite@napier.ac.uk	
Glasgow Caledonian University		Kirsty	MacInnes	Scholarships & Bursaries Officer	International Student Support Office Cowcaddens Road	GLASGOW	G4 OBA	Kirsty.MacInnes@gcu.ac.uk	
Glasgow School of Art		Graeme	Fraser	Student Welfare Adviser	167 Renfrew Street	Glasgow	G3 6RQ	g.fraser@gsa.ac.uk	
Heriot-Watt University				Management Services	George Heriot Wing	EDINBURGH	EH14 4AS	goglobal@hw.ac.uk	
Queen Margaret University		Bill	Stronach		Student Services Queen Margaret Drive	EDINBURGH	EH21 6UU	bstronach@qmu.ac.uk	
Robert Gordon University	Mr	Will	Ritchie	Careers Team Leader	Rm H313	ABERDEEN	AB10 7QG	w.ritchie@rgu.ac.uk	
Royal Conservatoire of Scotland		Sarah	Ward	Assistant Registrar	100 Renfrew Street	Glasgow	G2 3DB	S.Ward@rcs.ac.uk	
The University of Oxford		Pádraig	O'Connor	Assistant Registrar (Education)	Humanities Division, University of Oxford, Radcliffe Humanities, Woodstock Road	OXFORD	OX2 6GG	padraig.oconnor@humanities.ox.ac.uk	
University of Aberdeen	Mr	Andrew	Mackie		Careers' Service	ABERDEEN	AB24 3FX	a.r.mackie@abdn.ac.uk	
University of Abertay	Prof	Liz	Bacon	Vice Principal	Kydd Building	DUNDEE	DD1 1HG	l.bacon@abertay.ac.uk	
University of Cambridge		Jennifer	Blakesley	Director	Cambridge University Careers Service	CAMBRIDGE	CB2 1XE	jennyblakesley@careers.cam.ac.uk	

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University of Dundee		Alison	Mackay	Executive Officer	Careers Service 166 Nethergate	DUNDEE	DD1 4HN	careers@dundee.ac.uk
University of Edinburgh	Ms	Janet	Edwards	Scholarships & Financial Support Officer	Scholarships and Student Funding Services Old College South Bridge	EDINBURGH	EH8 9YL	studentfunding@ed.ac.uk
University of Glasgow		Lesley	Fielding	Assistant Academic Policy Manager	Senate Office	GLASGOW	G12 8QQ	Lesley.Fielding@glasgow.ac.uk
University of St Andrews	Ms	Shona	Mach	Careers Adviser	6 St Mary's Place	ST ANDREWS	KY16 9UY	scm5@st-andrews.ac.uk
University of Stirling		Andrew	Forrest	Information Manager	Careers & Employability Service	STIRLING	FK9 4LA	a.d.forrest@stir.ac.uk
University of Strathclyde	Ms	Shona	Cameron	Postgraduate research officer	Research and Knowledge Exchange Services Graham Hills Building 50 George Street	GLASGOW	G1 1QE	shona.cameron@strath.ac.uk
University of the Highlands and Islands	Dr	Iain	Morrison	Head of Student Services	Highland Theological College High Street	DINGWALL	IV15 9HA	iain.morrison@uhi.ac.uk
University of the West of Scotland					Research and Innovation Office	PAISLEY	PA1 2BE	iro@uws.ac.uk