

POSSIBLE SOURCES OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS

1st FORMATIONS SCHOLARSHIP

71-75 Shelton Street, Covent Garden, London, WC2H 9JQ

www.1stformations.co.uk/business-scholarship

Tel: 020 3897 2233

This Scholarship awards up to 10 successful applicants with a bursary of £600 each. The bursary is designed to help students with some of the additional costs involved in studying, such as the cost of course materials, textbooks and other living expenses.

Who is eligible?

Anyone currently studying for an undergraduate or postgraduate degree in a recognised UK academic institution. To be eligible applicants must meet the following criteria:

- A current student in a recognised UK academic institution.
- Display a desire to run your own business.
- Demonstrate academic excellence by providing a letter of recommendation from a tutor or course co-ordinator.
- You must not be a previous recipient of the 1st Formations Business Scholarship.
- Demonstrate personal circumstances which make you a suitable candidate for additional financial support.

See website for details on how to apply and what evidence to provide.

BRITISH CHEVENING SCHOLARSHIPS (For International Postgraduate Students)

www.chevening.org

The British Chevening Scholarship scheme aims to bring future leaders, decision-makers and opinion-formers to the UK for a period of postgraduate study.

To be eligible, you should have a proven record of success and have the potential to rise to a position of power and influence in your chosen career.

Chevening awards are given annually to students from a wide variety of countries. They cover all or part of the cost of a one-year postgraduate course in the UK. Once you have completed the course, you will be expected to return to your home country.

You can find out more and apply online at the Chevening website.

EDINBURGH ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN – PRESIDENT’S FUND

Eileen Brownlie, Honourable Secretary, 12 Dean Park Mews, Edinburgh EH4 1ED

Email: eileencbrownlie2706@gmail.com

Funding is available to assist women in their final year of study for a degree (postgraduate or undergraduate) in a university in the United Kingdom. Awards are not given for courses of one year’s duration (undergraduate or postgraduate), or for access courses, diploma courses nor for certificate courses.

- Awards are for those who face unexpected financial hardship.
- Awards are given for the current study year – the applicant’s final year of study.
- Successful applicants to the Fund will receive one award only.

Application forms are available by request from the Honourable Secretary, which must be returned completed with two signed academic references. Applications are considered three times a year by the Trustees of the Fund - usually in October, January and April.

FUNDS FOR WOMEN GRADUATES (FFWG)

Grants Administrator, Jean Collett-Flatt, 4 St Michaels Gate, Shrewsbury SY1 2HL

www.ffwg.org.uk

Tel: 01743 383047 Email: grants@ffwg.org.uk

FFWG awards grants specifically for living expenses to Women, during their postgraduate studies, with the aim of positively impacting their future career and our society as a whole.

FOUNDATION GRANTS help women graduates from Britain and overseas with their living expenses (not fees) while registered for study or research at an approved institution of higher education in Great Britain. The criteria are the proven needs of the applicant and their academic calibre. Please check closing date before application. Application form available by email only from The Grants Administrator at grants@ffwg.org.uk

EMERGENCY GRANTS to women graduates from Great Britain and overseas, who face an unforeseen financial crisis (not with their fees) whilst engaged in study or research at institutions of higher education in Great Britain. These grants are offered twice a year, in May and November. Application form available from the correspondent.

GEN FOUNDATION

45 Old Bond Street, London W1S 4DN

www.genfoundation.org.uk

Tel: 020 7495 5564 Email: info@genfoundation.org.uk

The aim of the Foundation is to enhance the importance of cross-cultures between Japan and the rest of the world in today's global society. To be eligible for a Gen Foundation grant, an applicant:

- Must study and/or research in the field of natural sciences, in particular food sciences/technology
- Should hold a Bachelor’s degree or equivalent.

The Foundation does not support undergraduates, short-term training, conferences, seminars, or thesis writing. Such applications will not be considered. Successful candidates are asked to submit a report to the Trustees at the end of their studies. All potential candidates should be aware that the Gen Foundation grants are one-off, non-renewable awards.

Application Form usually available to download from website from November. Please check website for full details and eligibility.

THE GEORGE DREXLER FOUNDATION

35-43 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London WC2A 3PE

www.georgedrexler.org.uk

Financial bursaries to support UK students (including postgraduate students) on a recognised educational course in the UK (in particular to assist gifted or talented individuals who are struggling to support themselves financially through university or college).

To qualify either the applicant, the applicant's parents or grandparents must have worked in, or owned a commercial business. This does not include professional people i.e. doctors, accountants, architects, solicitors, etc. Supporting documentation may be required.

Bursaries are made annually, with applications considered by the Trustees in May each year. Completed applications must be submitted online via the Foundation's website by the 31 March. All applicants will be notified of the outcome by early June.

Applicants can apply for a bursary within the range £500 to a maximum of £2,000 (although the Foundation has limited funds so only a small number of awards are made each year).

Bursaries will be paid directly to the individual usually in September of the year awarded.

HUMANITARIAN TRUST

20 Gloucester Place, London W1U 8HA

Tel: 020 7486 7760

Grants to British citizens and overseas students under 30 years old who are on a recognised course of academic study at graduate or postgraduate level in the UK, and who hold a basic grant for the course. Grants of £200 are awarded for academic subjects only, and top up fees. Some exclusions apply, please contact for more information.

Applications in writing including a CV, income and expenses and total shortfall, plus two references (from course tutor and head of department).

Applications are considered twice a year in March and October.

LEVERHULME TRADE CHARITIES TRUST

1 Pemberton Row, London EC4A 3BG

www.leverhulme-trade.org.uk

Tel: 020 7042 9885 Email: info@leverhulme-trade.org.uk

Grants to undergraduate and postgraduate students who are the child, spouse, widow or widower of a commercial traveller, chemist, or grocer, and who are resident in the UK. Undergraduate Bursaries up to £3000 per annum may be paid for any full-time first degree in the UK. Grants for any reasonable costs connected with going to university, including tuition fees, accommodation costs, living expenses, or equipment to help you study. Grants paid to institutions to pass through to the successful applicants.

Applications must reach the Trust by the closing dates of 1st November or 1st March.

Application form and full details of eligibility available on their website.

ROYAL GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

Grants Officer, Royal Geographical Society (with IBG), 1 Kensington Gore, London SW7 2AR

www.rgs.org/grants

Tel: 020 7591 3000

The society provides several grants with different eligibility criteria to postgraduates and undergraduates from the UK, and/or EU, and/or other countries, to support university students with research and field trip costs (not living costs or tuition fees) in areas such as geography, environmental science, conservation, society, economy, and natural history.

Please visit their website for details.

SIDNEY PERRY FOUNDATION

The Secretary, PO Box 889, Oxford OX1 9PT

www.the-sidney-perry-foundation.co.uk

The Foundation aims primarily at helping first-degree students in hardship, maximum grant being £1000. Eligible overseas students studying in Britain can also apply. **Postgraduates may also receive support.** Students are expected to have a confirmed placement at University and have the bulk of their funding. Because of limited resources, the foundation is unable to assist students in the first year of a three or four-year course, or those over the age of 35.

Full details and application form available on website.

SIR RICHARD STAPLEY EDUCATIONAL TRUST

The Administrator, P.O. Box 839, Richmond, Surrey TW9 3AL

www.stapleytrust.org

Email: admin@stapleytrust.org

The Trust supports the work of mature students of proven academic merit, and in financial need, who are pursuing further degree qualifications at an institution in the UK. Open to students from all countries, applicants must be resident in the UK at the time of applying, as well as during their course of study. The Trust supports postgraduate degrees in any subject, as well as courses in medicine or veterinary sciences taken as a second degree. All grants are made annually, and are normally between £400 and £1,000.

In order to be eligible to apply for a grant, you must be:

- over the age of 24 on 01 October of the proposed year of study
- either accepted on, or applying for a place on a degree course in medicine, dentistry or veterinary studies taken as a second degree, or accepted on, or applying for a full- or part-time place on a Masters or Doctoral degree programme in any discipline, at a UK university
- already resident in the UK at the time of application, and resident in the UK during the course of study
- able to demonstrate financial need in the academic year for which funding is applied (details about how this is calculated are in the application pack)

Awards are competitive and made on the basis of academic merit and financial need.

Full details and application pack available on the website.

YORKSHIRE LADIES COUNCIL OF EDUCATION (INCORPORATED)

YLCE, Ground Floor Offices, Forest Hill, 11 Park Crescent, LEEDS LS8 1DH

www.ylce.org

Tel: 0113 269 1471 Email: info@ylce.org

Provides small awards to help British women who cannot finance their chosen educational course from their own resources and do not qualify for support from Student Finance. **However, women who are eligible for a Postgraduate Loan may apply.** The grant awarded is normally between £200 and £400, and support course fees only. Grants are paid direct to institutions on behalf of applicants. No payments are made to individuals.

Applications are accepted from Women who:

- Are British citizens.
- Are aged 21 and over.
- Have a confirmed offer of a place at a British educational institution.
- Are not eligible for Student Finance support and require help with course fees.
- Are not related to a member of the Yorkshire Ladies' Council of Education.
- Women who are eligible for a Postgraduate Loan are also eligible for support.

Application should be made online and sent to info@ylce.org. Applications are assessed in September, March and June. Completed forms must be received by the first day of the relevant month.

SEARCH FOR TRUST FUNDS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND OTHER FUNDING

In addition to this list, there are websites which provide information on Scholarships and Charitable Trusts, and also include a Grant search facility to help students identify appropriate funding based on individual circumstances and needs - see examples below:

- www.turn2us.org.uk is a charitable service which helps people access welfare benefits, educational grants and other help. Individuals can search their database to find funding.
- www.thescholarshipshub.org.uk - provides a searchable database for scholarships and other funding.
- www.postgraduatestudentships.co.uk is designed for postgraduates and intending postgraduates.
- www.postgraduatesearch.com offers advice on courses and funding for postgraduates
- www.prospects.ac.uk is a graduate careers website which also provides information on sources of funding for postgraduate students.
- www.postgrad.com offers advice and study bursaries to the value of £500.
- <https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/> this website is designed specifically for **International** postgraduates and intending postgraduates, and includes a postgraduate scholarship finder.

When applying to charities you are advised to consider the criteria carefully as organisations often have very limited funding and will not consider applications unless they meet their specific criteria.

- The Directory of Social Change publishes "**The Educational Grants Directory**" which lists details of charities and trust funds - a copy of this directory can be accessed via the University Money Advisers.



Produced by Money Advice, University of Worcester
See our Website for a Guide to applying to a Trust
www.worcester.ac.uk/moneyadvice/trustfunds



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