



UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD SCHOLARSHIPS 2011-12 NOTES FOR APPLICANTS

THE SCHOLARSHIPS

The University of Oxford Scholarships are intended to provide opportunities for postgraduate study in the United Kingdom for applicants who demonstrate both academic excellence and the potential to become leaders, decision makers and opinion formers in their home countries.

Each scholarship provides tuition fees and college fees at the University of Oxford, a stipend to cover living costs (for one person only) and return air travel from the scholar's home country. On completion of the scholarship, scholars will return to their home countries to continue their studies/work there.

ELIGIBILITY

- Selected **one year taught Masters courses** within the University of Oxford's Social Sciences and Humanities Divisions. **You can find the full list of eligible courses at the end of these guidance notes.**
- Any scholarship awards are conditional upon you being offered a place to study at Oxford, and meeting all the conditions of that offer (e.g. obtaining the required score in English language proficiency).
- Applicants will be required to have passed an English proficiency test before being offered a Scholarship. The minimum requirement for study on the eligible courses at Oxford is IELTS 7.5 (with minimum 7.0 in each component) or TOEFL - 630 (minimum Test of Written English score - 5) or Computer based TOEFL - 267 (minimum essay writing score - 5) or Internet-based TOEFL – 109 or Cambridge Certificate of proficiency in English – B. Tests will be arranged for short-listed candidates after the interviews, if applicants have not already successfully taken a test in the 2 years prior to the interview.
- All applicants must have completed at least three years of BA course (in the Bologna system) or four years of university study and have obtained, or expect to obtain, the equivalent of a baccalaureate degree not later than September 2011.
- Applicants must be citizens of **and** reside in Belarus during the academic year in which they apply for the award. Applicants who are temporarily out of the country (for a total period of less than three consecutive months) may be treated as a resident. *Please note: students of the European Humanities University are exempt from the residency requirement.*
- Applicants should plan on returning to Belarus at the end of the period of study.
- Applicants should have a proven track record of success or excellence in their professional life distinguishing them from their peers and contemporaries.
- Preference will be given to applicants who have not previously studied in Western universities.

HOW TO APPLY

You apply as part of your application to study at the University of Oxford. You do this by ticking the "Open Society Foundations Oxford Scholarships" box in section M of the Application Form for Graduate Study 2011-2012.

Local representatives will arrange for payment of the £50 application fee. Please send your **Application Form for Graduate Study (and all required supporting materials)** together with the **Scholarship Supporting Statement for University of Oxford Masters applicants and Eligibility Requirements Self Assessment Form in two copies** (one original set of documents and one set of photocopies) to the address in Lithuania below by **12 January 2011**.

Applicants shall check the requirements for individual courses as additional supporting materials such as written work might be required. Scholars can consult the University's Graduate Studies Prospectus, which is available online at the link to the website http://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/postgraduate_courses/index.html.

Scholars wishing to submit applications for further courses must apply to the University directly, Applications that arrive directly to University will not be considered for the Open Society Foundations/ Oxford Scholarships.

For more information, please contact advising@ehu.lt and/or at the address below:

International Education and Career Advising Center
European Humanities University
Tauro g. 12
LT-01114 Vilnius
Lithuania

TIMETABLE

The closing date is **12 January 2011**. Scholarship applications must be received at the address indicated above **NO LATER THAN THIS DATE**. It is expected that interviews of short-listed candidates will be held in April 2011; precise dates to be announced nearer the time. Local representatives will arrange English language tests for short-listed candidates after the interviews in April/May for applicants who have not already successfully taken a test in the 2 years prior to the interview. Final decisions on the award of scholarships will normally be made by the beginning of June.

Please note that all successful applicants will be expected to attend a one-month preparatory academic writing summer school in August 2011. This program is designed to prepare grantees for a successful academic experience in the UK. Successful applicants will be provided with the opportunity to refine their research and writing skills through intensive courses in academic writing and social sciences. The exact date and location of the summer school will be available at a later stage in the selection process.

University of Oxford Scholarship
Eligibility Requirements Self-Assessment Form

You should complete this form if you are applying for a University of Oxford scholarship. By checking the boxes below, you will confirm that you have read the guidance notes for applicants, understand the eligibility requirements and selection process and are prepared to submit a complete application form with all required supporting documents. This form should be attached to your application once completed and signed below.

FAMILY NAME (BLOCK CAPITALS):	FIRST NAME(S) (BLOCK CAPITALS):
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Please read the statements below and tick the boxes on the right to indicate whether each of these statements is true or false of you.

A. I must be a national of and resident in Belarus during the academic year in which I apply for the award (I am considered resident even if I am temporarily out of the country for a total period of less than three consecutive months.) and/or study at the European Humanities University (EHU). true ☐ false ☐

B. I already hold or am expecting to hold by the time of taking up the award, if my application is successful, a degree of an equivalent standard to a BA with good marks. true ☐ false ☐

C. I have passed or will sit for a TOEFL/IELTS test to obtain a required score by the time of taking up an award (a test will be organized by the Sponsors for those applicants who are short-listed after the interviews). true ☐ false ☐

D. I understand that the Sponsors of the scholarship will give preference to applicants who have not studied outside of their home region. true ☐ false ☐

If you marked all of the above statements as true, you are eligible for the program. Please submit your application. If you marked any of the statements above as false, please, be advised that you may be ineligible for the program but you can still submit your application if you still wish for it to be considered. Should you have any questions concerning any of the criteria listed above please contact your local scholarship coordinator.

Please make sure that you attach a copy of this form to each submitted scholarship application form.

By signing this form I confirm that the information provided above is correct.

Signature

Date

List of Eligible Courses

MSc in Material Anthropology & Museum Ethnography
MSc in Medical Anthropology
MSt in Social Anthropology
MSc in Social Anthropology
MSc in Russian & East European Studies
MSc in Economics for Development
MSc in Education (Child Development and Education)
MSc in Education (Comparative and International Education)
MSc in Education (e-learning)
MSc in Education (Higher Education)
MSc in Applied Linguistics and Second Language Acquisition
MSc in Biodiversity, Conservation & Management
MSc in Environmental Change & Management
MSc in Nature, Society & Environmental Policy
MSc in Water Science, Policy & Management
Magister Juris (Mjur)
MSc in Law and Finance
MSc in Criminology & Criminal Justice
MSc in Social Science of the Internet
MSc in Political Theory Research
MSc in Politics Research
MSc in Evidence-Based Social Intervention
MSc in Sociology
MSt in Medieval History
MSt in Modern British and European History
MSt in Global and Imperial History
MSt in US History
MSc in Economic and Social History
MSc in History of Science, Medicine, and Technology
MSt in History of Art and Visual Culture
MSt in Late Antique and Byzantine Studies
MSt in Medieval Studies
MSt in Women's Studies