

FELIX SCHOLARSHIPS 2012

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD / UNIVERSITY OF READING /
SCHOOL OF ORIENTAL AND AFRICAN STUDIES, UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

Notes for Applicants

1. Up to six Felix Scholarships will be offered at each of the three institutions above for Indian graduates taking up places in September/October 2012 for:
 - (i) Taught postgraduate Master's courses (MSc, MAgSc, MA, LL.M, etc.) = 1 or 2 academic years or
 - (ii) Master's degrees by research (MPhil) = 2 academic years or
 - (iii) Doctoral degrees by research (PhD/DPhil) = 3 academic years

Please note that not all of the above programmes are available at each institution.

Felix Scholarships are intended for scholars who would be unable, without financial assistance, to take up their place and who have not studied outside their home country. You should ensure that you apply for the correct course, as applications for an extension of a course or other additional funding will **not** be considered. Candidates must not, once installed at the relevant university, apply for any scholarship that would interfere with the tenure of the Felix Scholarship.

2. Application for a Felix Scholarship can be made through only one of the three academic institutions. Candidates must already have submitted a formal application for admission through one of the institutions before applying for a Felix Scholarship.
3. Felix Master's alumni who have obtained a Distinction can apply for a PhD/DPhil Felix scholarship. Exactly the same criteria and application process will apply to Felix Master's alumni as apply to any other candidate applying for a PhD/DPhil scholarship. Only one such scholarship will be granted to each university per year. Candidates should take into account the fact that because the results of Master's examinations are notified after the commencement of an academic year, there will be a one-year gap between finishing a Master's course and commencing a PhD/DPhil course.
4. Candidates must apply direct to Oxford/Reading/SOAS for admission to the course they wish to study. Detailed advice on such matters as course application forms, arrangements for fieldwork, etc., will be available on request from any of the three institutions (but about their own courses only). Applications for admission to courses should be submitted as early as possible.
5. The Felix Scholarships will cover full fees, living costs, a return air fare, and provide additional allowances for books, equipment, warm clothing etc. Spouses' costs will not be met. **Candidates must be Indian citizens and not currently be living or studying outside of India and must have not previously studied for one year or more outside India. Candidates must be under 30 years of age on 31 January 2012. Candidates must have at least a first class Bachelor's degree from an Indian university or comparable institution. Exceptionally those with an upper second-class degree at the Bachelor's level may be considered if they hold a first class degree at the Master's level. Those who already hold degrees from universities outside India are not eligible to apply. Those who have already taken up a scholarship to pursue PhD studies at an Indian university are also not eligible for a Felix Scholarship.**

6. SUBJECTS

Oxford: Archaeology, Anthropology, Applied Statistics, Biochemistry, Biophysics, Chemistry, Computation, Development Economics, Development Studies, Earth Sciences, Economics, Education, Engineering, English, Ethnology and Museum Ethnography, European Literature, Forestry, Geography, History, Human Biology, Law, Management Studies, Mathematics, Materials, Medicine, Microbiology, Oriental Studies, Pharmacology, Philosophy, Physics, Physiological Sciences, Plant Sciences, Politics and International Relations, Psychology, Social Policy and Social Work, Sociology, Statistics, Zoology.

Reading: Agriculture, Animal and Microbial Sciences, Applied Mathematics, Archaeology, Art and Design, Biochemistry, Biotechnology, Business and Management, Chemistry, Classics, Computer Science, Construction Management, Crop Protection, Cybernetics, Economics, Electrical Engineering, English Language, Environmental Sciences, Food Science, French, Horticulture, International Development Studies, International Business, International Securities, Investment and Banking, Italian, Land Management, Law, Mechanical Engineering, Meteorology, Microbiology, Optics, Pathobiology, Philosophy, Physiology, Plant Breeding, Plant Science, Politics, Psychology, School of Pharmacy, Sedimentology, Soil Science, Statistics, Town and Country Planning.

SOAS: Anthropology, Economics, History, Law, Linguistics, Music, Politics, Development Studies, Area Studies, Asian and African Languages/Literature, Art and Archaeology, Religious Studies, Media Studies, Financial and Management Studies.

7. Candidates should note that an application can be made to only one institution.

Candidates for the Felix Scholarships at **Oxford** should **not** complete the application form. Instead they should check the Felix Scholarship box in the Scholarships section of the University's Application Form for Graduate Study when applying for admission to their course. Candidates elected for interview must also complete a short questionnaire. This will be sent to them when they are short listed for interview.

Oxford: Graduate Admissions
and Funding

Web address:
E-mail address:

Tel: (0)1865 280487, Fax: (0)1865 270077
University of Oxford
Wellington Square
Oxford OX1 2JD, UK.
www.ox.ac.uk/feesandfunding
student.funding@admin.ox.ac.uk

Candidates for the Felix Scholarships at **Reading and SOAS** must complete application forms. The completed application form (together with only the supporting material **specifically** requested in the application form) should be returned to the address given below for the academic institution in which the candidate wishes to study. There is no need to send additional supporting material with the scholarship application form.

Reading: The Graduate School

Tel: (0)118 378 6169, Fax: (0)118 378 4252
The Graduate School
University of Reading
Old Whiteknights House
Reading RG6 6AH, UK.

Web address: www.reading.ac.uk
E-mail address: c.robson@reading.ac.uk

SOAS: The Scholarships Officer
(Registry)

Tel: (0)20 7074 5091, Fax: (0)20 7074 5089
Registry, SOAS
Thornhaugh Street
Russell Square
London WC1H 0XG, UK.

Web address: www.soas.ac.uk/registry/scholarships
E-mail address: scholarships@soas.ac.uk

8. The closing dates for the receipt of Felix Scholarship application forms are as follows:-

Reading: 10 February 2012

SOAS: 31 January 2012

Oxford: Candidates applying to the University of Oxford do not need to complete the Felix application form but must have applied for their course of study (using the University's Application Form for Graduate Study) by the appropriate January Application Deadline:

06 January 2012 for Medical Sciences and Philosophy
20 January 2012 for all other subjects

Only those candidates who have been accepted for admission will be considered for short listing. Short listing by all three universities will take place in March 2012.

9. Short listed candidates will be invited for interview in India between April and June 2012. Candidates cannot be considered for an award without an interview.
10. Candidates who are interviewed and subsequently offered a Felix Scholarship for entry in September/October 2012 are not permitted to defer the award. Any scholars unable to commence at the academic institution concerned for the session 2012-13 will lose his/her scholarship.
11. Felix Scholarship scholars are expected to complete their course of study within the time frame set by the individual universities. It is anticipated that scholars should be able to accumulate, by proper financial management, enough savings from the maintenance allowances paid to personally fund any extension required in order to complete their course.
12. It is anticipated that scholars who undertake extended fieldwork trips during their course of study should be able to accumulate, by proper financial management, enough savings from the maintenance allowances paid during fieldwork trips to personally fund all expenses incurred in order to facilitate their fieldwork.
13. It is a condition of the Felix Scholarship that candidates, when accepting a scholarship, undertake to return to their country of origin on completion of their course of study so as to make a contribution to that country. Each candidate will be expected to sign a letter of undertaking to this effect.

FELIX SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM 2012

Please read the Notes for Applicants carefully before completing this form. Complete the form in black ink or typescript. Information **must** be included on the application form itself. Do **not** enclose a curriculum vitae, list of publications or example of your work. No enclosures, other than those requested, will be accepted. Applicants can apply to only **one** of the three institutions listed.

Completed application forms must reach the appropriate address as set out in paragraph 7 of the accompanying Notes by no later than the dates stated in paragraph 8 of the accompanying Notes.

Section 1: Personal Information

University Application ID Number (if known):	
Surname/Family name (as in passport):	First names(s):
Title: Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Rev/Dr	Nationality:
Male/Female	Date of Birth:
Married/Single	Number and ages of children (if any):
Address for correspondence:	Permanent address (if different):
Telephone number: Fax number (if any):	E-mail address:
Next of kin (full name and relationship):	Spouse's occupation (if married):
If you have any dependants, what financial arrangements will you make for them during your absence on the course?	If you have any dependants is it your intention that they will accompany you to the UK?
Father's full name:	Father's occupation:
Mother's full name:	Mother's occupation:
Are there any individuals who are totally or mainly dependent on your mother or father? (If so, please list their names and relationship to you in the box opposite.)	

<p>Past and present employment. (Please give dates and continue on a separate page if necessary.)</p>	<p>If you are currently employed, will you be released from your present employment for study? (Please attach proof of this if you have it.)</p>
<p>Have you ever travelled abroad? (If so, give details of the purpose and the country/countries visited.)</p>	<p>Do you have any needs that require special arrangements?</p>

Section 2: Course Information

<p>Which course have you applied for?</p> <p>Date of application:</p>	<p>Indicate the qualification you wish to obtain (e.g. MPhil, DPhil):</p>
<p>Length of course:</p>	<p>Date of entry to your course of study:</p>
<p>Name the University and department, institute, sub-faculty or faculty in which you propose to work and provide a statement as to why you wish to study at that particular institution (Please continue on a separate page if necessary)</p>	<p>Proposed future profession in your own country</p>

If you are applying for a research degree, describe in no more than 450 words, and in terms easily understood by a non-specialist, the area of your proposed research. (Please continue on a separate page, if necessary.) **Please send a copy of your research proposal.** If you are applying for a Masters degree, describe in no more than 450 words why you wish to take the course.

Section 3 – Academic and Other Information

Please provide details of secondary and higher education, including current study, and qualifications obtained or expected. **Please send a copy of your Bachelor’s or Master’s transcript only and supply a written academic reference from either your Master’s or Undergraduate institution.**

Institution	From:	To:	Qualification & Subject	Result/Class of Degree

Section 4: Financial Information

Please give details of any funds you have **already firmly secured** for fees and living costs for each year of your course. State the value in UK £, **not** in your local currency.

Please write zero in the boxes if you do not expect to receive funding from other sources.

Sources	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
Own income(if any)			
Own savings/other funds			
Parents			
Relatives and friends			
Your government			
Agencies and Foundations (please specify)			
Private sponsor			
Student loans			
Other (please specify)			
Have you applied for any other scholarship, bursary, or grant? (please specify)			

Section 5 – Activities and Interests

Give details of posts of responsibility, and say whether at school/university/college or elsewhere

Give details of your main extra-curricular activities and interests. What do you contribute and what do you get out of them? Indicate the level to which each has been pursued.

I wish to be considered for the award of a Felix Scholarship. I confirm that it is my intention to return to work or study in my own country at the end of my course of study, and that the information given above is complete and true.

Reading / SOAS

Signature

Date

Oxford: print name:

Checklist

Please check the boxes to confirm the following

- I have applied for admission at one of the three universities (Oxford, Reading, SOAS).
- I have enclosed a copy of my Bachelor's, Master's transcript
- I have enclosed an academic reference from my Master's or Undergraduate institution.
- I have made two copies of the application form (one to keep for myself, one to send with the original)