

# Possible Sources of Financial Help for Postgraduate Students

## Postgraduate Studentships Website

This website is designed specifically for postgraduates and intending postgraduates that brings together all the different types of funding. Students can browse and search their database of funding from charities, research councils, and other general funding bodies.

[www.postgraduatestudentships.co.uk](http://www.postgraduatestudentships.co.uk)

## Sir Richard Stapley Educational Trust

The Trust funds postgraduate degree students from all fields of study, and students pursuing degrees in medicine, dentistry and veterinary studies. Applications are welcome from students beginning their first year of study, as well as from those who are already undertaking their course. Grants are normally from £300 to £1000 in value and are intended to cover the shortfall incurred by educational and maintenance expenses. In order to be eligible to apply for a grant, you must be: a) over the age of 24 on 1st October of the proposed year of study; b) either accepted on, or applying for a place on a degree course in medicine, dentistry or veterinary studies, 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; c) already resident in the UK at the time of application, and resident in the UK during the course of study. Some exclusions apply - please visit the website for more information. Awards are competitive and made on the basis of academic merit and financial need. All grants are awarded for a full year of academic study and for one year only. Applicants for full time postgraduate degree courses may be supported for up to a maximum of three years, but new applications must be submitted each year. Part-time postgraduate courses can be funded for a maximum of six years, but new applications have to be submitted each year. Applications now closed for the 2010/11 round of grants. Application packs should be requested by email. If unable to do so, a printed application pack can be requested by post.

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## Wingate Scholarships

Scholarships are awarded to students completing their final year of a PhD/DPhil for help towards additional fieldwork, dissemination or extension costs. The standard costs of undertaking a third or fourth year will not be considered without special reasons or circumstances. Applicants must be 24 years of age or over on 1st September 2011, and be resident in the UK. They must be citizens of the UK, other Commonwealth or former Commonwealth country, Ireland, Israel, or citizens of the EU or Council of Europe member country if they have been resident in the UK for at least 3 years on 1st September 2011. Applicants must show evidence of outstanding ability, promise, or creative attainment in one or more of the eligible subject areas. Applicants must seek to complete a project of outstanding originality, creativity, or quality, for which they can demonstrate they have the necessary motivation and ability. Other exclusions apply. Please visit their website for further information, and to make an application.

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### **Royal Geographical Society**

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). Please visit their website for details.

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### **The Leverhulme Trade Charities Trust**

Grants to undergraduate and postgraduate students who are the child, spouse, widow or widower of a commercial traveller, chemists, or grocers, and who are resident in the UK. Postgraduate Bursaries up to a maximum of £5000 may be paid for any full time postgraduate degree course leading to recognised qualifications. Grants can be towards living expenses, study materials, travel or childcare. Please visit their website for more information, and for an application form. Undergraduate applications must be submitted through the student's university rather than directly by the individual, with the 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.

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### **British Chevening Scholarships (For International Postgraduate Students)**

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. They will not be able to accept any applications for 2011/12 until the details of a new scheme have been agreed. This will be towards the end of 2010. Details will be posted on their website.

**Contact:**

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

<http://www.fco.gov.uk/en/about-us/what-we-do/scholarships/>

### **Other Scholarships for International Postgraduate Students**

Visit [www.educationuk.org](http://www.educationuk.org) to search for a variety of other postgraduate scholarships.

**This document is also available in electronic format.**



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