

# Study Abroad Studentships

## Guidance for Applicants 2015



The Leverhulme Trust

The Leverhulme Trust Board, through its Research Awards Advisory Committee, is offering approximately 15 **Study Abroad Studentships** for a period of advanced study or research at a centre of learning anywhere in the world except the United Kingdom or the USA.

### ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Applicants must:

- Have been **resident in the UK for at least five years** at the time of application
- **Hold an undergraduate degree**
- **Hold a degree from a UK institution** (this may be either the undergraduate degree or a further degree held by the applicant)
- Either **be a student** at the time of application or have been **registered as a student within the last eight years**.
- Explain why their work requires residence overseas.

Final year undergraduates are not eligible, nor are holders of a permanent academic post who wish to take leave of absence. Candidates may not apply for both a Study Abroad Studentship and Early Career Fellowship in the same year.

### ELIGIBLE FIELDS

Applications will be considered in all subject areas with the exception of research or study that is of direct relevance to clinicians, medical professionals and/or the pharmaceutical industry. These awards are not intended for those who wish only to improve their knowledge of modern languages.

### PLACE OF TENURE

The awards are tenable at a centre of learning anywhere in the world **except the UK and USA**.

### VALUE

Studentships consist of:

- Maintenance allowance of £18,000 a year
- Return air fare to the country of tenure and a baggage allowance
- An allowance of £6,000 a year when a student is accompanied by a dependant partner
- Further allowances – for example, a contribution towards overseas fees, internal travel costs associated with the course of study or research and fieldwork expenses – are paid at the discretion of the Committee
- A supplement will be paid to students in Japan.

### DURATION AND TIMING

Studentships are tenable for between 12 and 24 months and must commence between 1 June 2015 and 1 May 2016.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURE

**Application materials will be available from early September 2014** from the Trust's website ([www.leverhulme.ac.uk](http://www.leverhulme.ac.uk)). Applications can only be made via the Trust's online grant application system.

## CLOSING DATE

The closing date for applications is 4pm on Monday 12 January 2015. Candidates will be informed of the result of their application by the end of April 2015.

## INTERVIEWS

Candidates must be available for interview in London on 16 and 17 April 2015. Travelling expenses within the UK only will be refunded.

## CONDITIONS

- **Studentships cannot be held at the same time as a stipendiary post-doctoral position or fellowship, or any other major award.** However, UK registered PhD students who are in receipt of a PhD studentship which does not cover the cost of study abroad, may hold the Study Abroad Studentship provided that their existing UK studentship is in abeyance during their period overseas.
- **Students must provide a short report** to the Committee at the end of each year detailing their progress.