



Commonwealth Scholarships and Fellowships

The Commonwealth Scholarship Commission in the UK (CSC) provides the main UK government scholarship scheme led by international development objectives. Funded by the UK Department for International Development (DFID), Commonwealth Scholarships and Fellowships enable talented and motivated individuals to gain the knowledge and skills required for sustainable development and are aimed at those who could not otherwise afford to study in the UK.

We offer a range of Scholarships and Fellowships, as listed below. Full information about all our programmes is available on our website at <http://cscuk.dfid.gov.uk/about-us/>

Commonwealth Master's Scholarships

12-month full time Master's study at UK universities in subjects where development impact can be demonstrated. Applications are usually open between August – December each year.

Candidates must hold an upper second-class equivalent at undergraduate level or a second-class degree and a Master's degree and can apply either:

- a) via national nominating agencies and invited NGOs in low and middle income Commonwealth countries; cscuk.dfid.gov.uk/apply/masters-scholarships/
- b) or via selected UK universities for least developed and lower middle income Commonwealth countries. cscuk.dfid.gov.uk/apply/shared-scholarships/

Commonwealth Distance Learning Scholarships for Master's study

For high-quality postgraduate students who wish to access training not available in their home countries, who wish or need to remain in their home country while they study, and who have the potential to enhance the development of their home countries with the knowledge and leadership skills they acquire.

Awards are for up to six years and applications are made via UK universities for courses which are developmental in nature. cscuk.dfid.gov.uk/apply/distance-learning/

Commonwealth PhD Scholarships (for least developed countries and fragile states)

For high-quality graduates who have the potential to become influential leaders, teachers, or researchers in their home countries, and whose proposed research topic has a developmental focus for full-time doctoral study, typically for three years.



COMMONWEALTH SCHOLARSHIPS

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cscuk.dfid.gov.uk/apply/phd-scholarships-least-developed-countries-and-fragile-states/

Commonwealth Split-site Scholarships (for low and middle income countries)

For doctoral candidates to spend up to 12 months at a UK university as part of their doctoral studies in their home country to provide access to specific expertise or equipment that would not otherwise be available in applicants' home countries. Applications are accepted directly from candidates in any subject where development impact can be demonstrated by the candidate in their application. Candidates must be registered for a PhD at a university department in their home country which has a link with a department at a UK university.

Awards can be taken as a single 12-month period or separated into two six-month periods. The CSC funds the period of study in the UK only and the qualification is awarded by the home institution. cscuk.dfid.gov.uk/apply/split-site-scholarships-low-middle-income-countries/

Commonwealth Professional Fellowships

To provide professionals with the opportunity to enhance knowledge and skills in their given sector by spending between six weeks and three months in the UK. For mid-career professionals (with five years' relevant work experience) working in development-related organisations in low and middle income Commonwealth countries.

Applications are accepted via UK organisations who have set up a programme of activity. cscuk.dfid.gov.uk/apply/professional-fellowships/commonwealth-professional-fellowships/

Commonwealth Medical Fellowships

To provide mid-career medics with the opportunity to enhance their clinical skills by spending six months in the UK. Applications are accepted from medics working in universities or affiliated teaching hospitals in low and middle income Commonwealth countries.

cscuk.dfid.gov.uk/apply/medical-fellowships/

Commonwealth Rutherford Fellowships

Post-doctoral fellowships for highly skilled and highly motivated PhD graduates. Applications are accepted directly from citizens of any Commonwealth country other than the UK.

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