

Canon Collins Trust and University of London Scholarships for Master of Laws by distance learning Guidelines for Applicants 2015

General Information

Canon Collins Trust invites applications for scholarships for the Master of Laws (LLM) by distance learning of the University of London in 2015. These scholarships are made possible by the generosity of [University of London International Programmes](#) which shall waive full tuition and examination entry fees for four scholarship recipients. Local examination fees are not included. Scholarship recipients have between 1 to 5 years to complete the LLM, and continued registration on the course is dependent upon satisfactory progress and academic reports. For more information on the course please view the prospectus [here](#).

University of London International Programmes and Canon Collins Trust will jointly select the recipients of this award.

Are you eligible?

In order to be eligible for a scholarship, applicants must be admitted to the Master of Laws by distance learning programme by University of London. Please see [here](#) for information on the admission requirements of the university, which are different from the scholarship eligibility requirements. Note that you do not need to be admitted to the Master of Laws before applying for the scholarship; you can do both at the same time.

Canon Collins Trust requires applicants for this scholarship to be:

- a national of Malawi, South Africa, Zambia and Zimbabwe;
- normally resident in one of the above countries;
- in possession of at least an upper second class first degree in any field;
- currently employed in full or part-time work; and
- able to commit a minimum of 10 hours to study per week.

Please apply **only** if you are eligible.

Application Process

We accept applications through our online form between Monday 11 May 2015 and Monday 15 September 2015. The online application form can be found on the Canon Collins Trust website. You will find full instructions online when you start a new form.

All applicants are required to submit the following supporting documentation:

- ID document (the following are acceptable: passport, birth certificate, driver's license)
- Certified academic transcripts
- Certified degree certificates
- Reference letters from two referees
- A copy of your two most recent payslips.

Ideally, you should submit an academic reference and a reference from an employer.

You should ask your referees to write a reference that relates to your application for this bursary and reflects how you meet the selection criteria below. It should outline your strengths as an applicant, demonstrate your capacity to study at the level required, and identify your potential impact in the future.

It is your responsibility to ensure that your application is complete and accurate before submitting your application online. All sections of the form need to be complete before the system will allow the application form to be submitted. Information can be saved and the application form edited until the applicant chooses to submit.

Applications will not be accepted by email, fax or through the post. Incomplete and late applications will not be considered.

Timetable

The deadline for applications is **15th September 2015**. Late applications will not be considered.

Please do not email us to ask about the outcome of your application. All notifications will be by email so please make sure you provide an accurate email address.

We will let you know the outcome of your application in November 2015.

Getting a place on your course

You must apply to the University of London **separately** to secure a place on this course. You can apply for admission to this course online at www.londoninternational.ac.uk/onlineapps/. Note there is no cost to apply for admission to this course. If you are offered a scholarship but fail to get a place on a course, we will withdraw the offer.

How many scholarships are available?

There are four scholarships available in 2015. The Trust makes awards on the basis of available funding and suitable applicants. It is highly competitive. We generally make awards to less than 5% of those who apply. Please apply only if you meet all the criteria.

Selection Criteria

In selecting scholars, the Canon Collins Trust will apply a number of criteria including academic merit, work experience, need and the potential to contribute to southern Africa's future prosperity. We are looking for future leaders in their fields and therefore demonstrable leadership qualities are important.

Applicants for all 2015 scholarship programmes will be assessed on the basis of the information that they supply on their application form against the criteria outlined below:

1. Academic Record and References

Applicants should have a minimum of a good second class (2:1) undergraduate degree (in any field, not necessarily law) and excellent references. Applicants with a first class degree will have a distinct advantage.

2. Work Experience

We favour applications where there is a demonstrable continuity between the applicant's current profession, career ambitions and this course of study.

3. Relevance

We favour applicants who can describe why this choice of course fits with their ambitions to make a difference in their sector. Please note that applicants need to be clear on their intended area of

specialisation, and be able to articulate how this will enable them to meet their career goals.

4. Leadership Competencies

Applicants will be asked to demonstrate how they have developed their leadership skills in the workplace, academia or in their personal life. Priority will be given to those who can describe an occasion/s in which they have used their skills to formulate a shared vision or strategy, build strategic relationships and networks, support peers and mentor others, and/or deliver results that have led to innovation and step changes. Canon Collins places a great deal of emphasis upon the leadership potential of individuals.

5. Commitment to Country/Community

We will favour applicants who most clearly show a desire to be part of and to contribute to the future prosperity of southern Africa.

6. Application form

The application form matters. Applicants should:

- Demonstrate a good command of the English language;
- Answer all of the questions properly and completely; and
- Complete the application and deliver all supporting documents in a timely manner.

Send your completed form and supporting documents no later than **15th September 2015** to scholarships@canoncollins.org.uk

Good luck! We look forward to receiving your application.