# COMMONWEALTH SHARED SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME SESSION 2019-2020

Up to 8 Commonwealth Shared Scholarship Scheme Awards are available to applicants from selected least developed, low and middle income Commonwealth countries<sup>1</sup> to undertake a one-year taught Master's programme of study at the University of Leeds in selected areas of study<sup>2</sup> under six different development themes<sup>3</sup>. Further details about the Scheme can be found in the Information Booklet for 2019 - available from <u>http://cscuk.dfid.gov.uk/apply/shared-scholarships/</u>

The Scholarships are funded jointly with the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission (CSC), with funding from the Department for International Development (DfiD).

Selected Schools <sup>2</sup>	16:00 (UK time) 14 March 2019	
SCHOLARSHIP VALUE		
Academic fees	The award will cover full international fees	
Maintenance	£13,008 per annum in Session 2018/19 (to be updated for Session 2019/20)	
Travel/Other costs	<ul> <li>Return airfare from your home country to the UK</li> <li>Warm clothing allowance</li> <li>Dissertation and other allowances</li> </ul>	

Eligibility Criteria – please read this information carefully, as your application will be automatically rejected if you do not meet ALL of the criteria listed below

You must:

- Be a citizen of or be granted refugee status from an eligible Commonwealth country<sup>1</sup>, or be a British Protected Person;
- Be permanently resident in an eligible Commonwealth Country<sup>1</sup>.
- Be available to start your academic studies in the UK by the start of the UK academic year in September 2019;
  By September 2019, hold a First Degree of at least Upper Second Class (2:1) standard, or a Second Class degree and a relevant postgraduate gualification (usually a Master's degree).
- Applicants whose first language is not English must have already met the University's English Language requirements by 7 March 2019. Some Schools require a standard of English higher than the University minimum. You should have a valid test result, which is normally no more than two years old by your official start date at the University of Leeds. Examples of an acceptable English Language Standard can be found at: <a href="http://www.leeds.ac.uk/projectleeds/info/123100/admissions/143/entry\_requirements;">http://www.leeds.ac.uk/projectleeds/info/123100/admissions/143/entry\_requirements;</a>
- Not have studied or worked for one (academic) year or more in a high income country;
- Be unable to afford to study in the UK without this scholarship.

### **Selection of Award Holders**

Each School selects a shortlist of applicants who they wish to recommend for the award. The Group on Scholarships, Studentships and Prizes then meets to consider the shortlists and select the recommendations for awards and reserves, which is then sent to the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission for final approval. Applicants can expect to be notified of the outcome of their application by June 2019. The University will use the data provided in the application form for internal selection and statistical purposes and publish the names of the successful applicants within the University and externally on the University website.

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#### How to Apply

- Applicants MUST first apply for a relevant taught programme of study and be in receipt of a Student Application ID to be eligible for a Commonwealth Shared Scholarship Scheme Award. To apply for a place on a taught postgraduate degree programme, please visit: <u>http://www.leeds.ac.uk/info/101040/applying/86/how\_to\_apply\_for\_masters\_courses</u>. You will need to enter your Student Application ID on the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission online application system.
- Applicants MUST also complete the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission application form via their online application system (open or after 12 January 2019) please visit <a href="http://cscuk.dfid.gov.uk/apply/eas/applicants/shared-scholarships/">http://cscuk.dfid.gov.uk/apply/eas/applicants/shared-scholarships/</a> for details on how to apply under the CSC
- online system. When asked to select the Nominating Agency, please enter the University of Leeds.Please note that, due to the large volume of applications, the Postgraduate Scholarships Office will not enter
- into any correspondence regarding the progress of an application until the outcome is known.

Bangladesh	Malawi	Solomon Islands
Cameroon	Mozambique	Sri Lanka
Ghana	Nigeria	Swaziland
Guyana	Pakistan	Tanzania
India	Papua New Guinea	Tuvalu
Kenya	Rwanda	Uganda
Kiribati	Samoa	Vanuatu
Lesotho	Sierra Leone	Zambia

#### <sup>1</sup> Eligible Countries- subject to change in Session 2019/20

#### <sup>2</sup> Eligible Schools and Courses of Study

Law	Civil Engineering	Transport	
LLM International Trade Law	MSc(Eng) Environmental	MSc(Eng) Transport Planning and	
	Engineering and Project	Engineering	
	Management		
Biological Sciences	Geography	Leeds Institute of Health Sciences	
MSc Plant Science & Biotechnology	MSc Geographical Information	MPH Public Health (International)	
	Systems (GIS)		
Earth and Environment			
MSc Environment with Integrated			
Fieldwork			

#### <sup>3</sup> Development Themes and Impact

Science and technology for development; Strengthening health systems and capacity; Promoting global prosperity; Strengthening global peace, security and governance; Strengthening resilience and response to crises; Access, inclusion and opportunity

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