Marshall Scholarships

Finance U.S. citizens of high ability to study for a degree in the United Kingdom.

- Provides funding for up 3 years, leading to any degree except:
  - MBA
  - MSc/MFE Financial Economics
  - MPhil Development Studies (Oxford)
  - MPP (Oxford)
  - MSc Global Health Science (Oxford)
  - MSc International Health and Tropical Medicine (Oxford)
  - MSc Law and Finance (Oxford)
  - Degrees leading to profession qualifications in medicine, dentistry, veterinary science, & law
  - Degrees that require extensive periods away from the UK
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2019-20 Statistics

- 1010 applicants
- 158 interviewed
- 48 awarded
Eligibility & Selection Criteria:

• Be a U.S. citizen
• Graduated from your first undergraduate institution after April 2017
• Leadership potential
• Ambassadorial potential
• Academic merit
  • Minimum 3.7 GPA at the time you apply
Aaishah Kelani- 2018 Finalist
LMU Class of 2018, BS in Mechanical Engineering

Aaishah proposed to pursue a PhD in Bioengineering at the University of Glasgow
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Application Requirements:

• Institutional Endorsement - Applications must be endorsed by the President, Provost, or Academic Dean of the applicant's educational institution

• Online application through Embark
  – Post scholarship plan essay
  – Personal statement
  – Proposed academic program essay
  – Leadership essay
  – Ambassadorial essay

• 4 letters of recommendation

• Official transcript(s)
Application Timeline

March 22:  Researching Postgraduate Programs Abroad Webinar

Late Spring:  Marshall application opens

July 1:  ONIF waiver & Intent to Apply form due

July 15:  Required Checkpoint- application drafts+ due to ONIF

August 31:  Campus Deadline, all applications submitted to ONIF

September:  Campus Interviews

Early October:  Marshall National Deadline
Where to Begin?

• Research, research, research
  – Find the degree program or programs first!
  – Researching Postgraduate Programs Abroad Webinar on March 22 at 3:00 p.m.
  – Postgraduate Program Assessment Sheet

• Keep in contact with ONIF
  – I recommend checking in at least once a month, updating me on your progress
  – You are not alone!

• Talk to LMU faculty and mentors

• Send emails to faculty at prospective institutions

• Submit ONIF’s waiver form & intent to apply by July 1, 2019
Glossary of Postgraduate Degrees

- **PhD or Dphil = Doctor of Philosophy**
  - Typically at least 3 years
- **MPhil = Master of Philosophy, an advanced postgrad research degree**
  - Can serve as provisional enrollment for a PhD, typically completed in 2 years
- **MBA = Master of Business Administration**
  - Typically a 15 month+ program, depending on the institution
- **MFin = Master of Finance**
  - Typically a 1-year taught Master’s
- **MSc = Master of Science**
  - Typically a 1-year taught Master’s
- **MASSt = Master of Advanced Study**
  - Typically a 1-year taught Master’s in Math or Physics
- **MLitt = Master of Letters**
  - Awarded by a select few British & Irish universities
  - Typically a 1-year taught Master’s. Subjects include: Arts, Divinity, Fine Art, Humanities, or Social Sciences
Dear Professor Smith,

My name is Elle Ion and I am a [undergraduate/graduate] student at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, CA. I am studying [major(s)/minor(s)].

I aspire to [description of academic and career goals].

I am particularly interested in your [research/work] on [A.B.C...] and I have the following questions.

[Ask thoughtful questions about the program, institution, faculty, etc.].

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Elle Ion

[Email, Phone Number]
Main Takeaways

- It’s all about the graduate program, not the scholarship!
- We are recruiting for the 2020-21 academic year.
- Start your research NOW!
Resources

- Marshall Scholarship website
- ONIF UK Page
  - One-on-one appointments
  - Letter of Rec resources
- Faculty
- Career Professional Development Office
Additional Funding Opportunities

• External or institution-provided funding
  – Clarendon Scholarships at Oxford University
  – Cambridge Trust Scholarships
  – Gates Cambridge Scholarship
  – Fulbright Study Awards
  – Mitchell Scholarship
  – Rhodes Scholarship
  – Chancellor’s International Research Scholarship at University of Sussex
  – University of Warwick Scholarships

• Chevening Awards (for non-U.S. citizens)- Deadline: November
  – Chevening is the UK Government’s international awards scheme aimed at developing global leaders.