**STUDENT RECRUITMENT & PARTNERSHIPS**

**Scholarship Application Guidelines**

Please note that the following guidance notes refer to the following scholarships and awards:

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| **Undergraduate Scholarships** | **Postgraduate Scholarships** |
| Article 26 Scholarship | The GREAT/ Royal Holloway Scholarships |
| Future Leader’s Scholarships | International Excellence Scholarships |
| International Excellence Scholarships | Bedford Society Scholarships |
| Magna Carta Law Scholarships | RHBNC Trust Scholarships |
| International Magna Carta Law Scholarships | Katayoon Behboodi Scholarship |
| The GREAT/ Royal Holloway Scholarships | Santander Entrepreneurship Scholarship |
| Reed Innovation Scholarship |  |

**Before you start**

Please also ensure that you have checked the eligibility criteria for the scholarships you are interested in before you apply.

Please note that to be eligible to apply, it is essential that you

* hold either a Conditional or an Unconditional offer for an undergraduate or postgraduate degree at Royal Holloway
* intend to enrol for your degree at Royal Holloway at the start of the forthcoming academic year
* apply using the Royal Holloway online scholarship application form which can be found in your applicant portal once you have received an offer to study at Royal Holloway. Please note, you can apply for as many scholarships as you are eligible for, but you can only be awarded one scholarship. (*These scholarships may be combined with bursaries and/or the Global Community Awards and/or other scholarships not listed here, depending on the terms and conditions of the other scholarships*.)

If you have offers for more than one course, you only need to complete one application for each type of scholarship i.e. the scholarship application is linked to an applicant, not to a course.

For any enquiries, please contact our Scholarships Team at study@royalholloway.ac.uk

**Completing the online scholarship application form**

Your personal details and academic achievements will be taken from your application form. In addition to this information, you will need to provide a scholarship statement.

**Note 1: Scholarship statement**

Your statement should be no longer that *300 words* and should include

* academic achievements you are particularly proud of and why these really matter to you
* why you have chosen to do the degree you have applied for
* what your future aspirations are and how the scholarship will help you to achieve your future goals

Your statement will be judged on how effectively and convincingly you respond to the above.

If applying for an Article 26 Scholarship or a Future Leader’s Scholarship or the Reed Innovation Scholarship, your scholarship statement has specific additional requirements. Please see the relevant Note below and refer to the relevant “Eligibility criteria” section of our website for further details.

**Note 2: Article 26 scholarship**

As well as a scholarship statement, you will need to upload a referee statement and a copy of your immigration documents. Please refer to the relevant “Eligibility criteria” section of our website for further details.

**Note 3: Future Leader’s scholarship**

As part of your scholarship statement, you must demonstrate outstanding leadership skills.

**Note 4: Reed Innovation scholarship**

As part of your scholarship statement, you will need to demonstrate outstanding innovation and creative problem solving skills. Your statement must include details of three ideas that you admire of other entrepreneurs and three ideas of your own. The ideas might be inspired by, but are not restricted to, some of the following themes:

* Solving an artistic, scientific or technical problem in a new or unusual way
* A unique and distinctive solution to a problem faced by your school/college, club or community
* Creating a new group, organisation, institution or product that meets an important need

**Informing you of the outcome of your application**

Please note that applying for all the Scholarships referred to in these guidance notes is a competitive process and not all applications will be successful.

Following initial assessment, after the closing date, the Scholarships Team will contact you to inform you of the outcome of your application according to the following timeline:

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| **Scholarship name** | **Application deadline** | **Notification of scholarship application results** |
| Article 26 Scholarships\* | 28 March 2017 | 2 weeks after interview |
| Future Leader’s Scholarships | 28 March 2017 | w/c 10 April 2017 |
| International ExcellenceScholarships (undergraduate) | 28 March 2017 | w/c 10 April 2017 |
| Magna Carta Law Scholarships | 28 March 2017 | w/c 10 April 2017 |
| International Magna Carta Law Scholarship | 28 March 2017 | w/c 10 April 2017 |
| The GREAT/ Royal HollowayScholarships (undergraduate) | 28 March 2017 | w/c 10 April 2017 |
| Reed Innovation Scholarship | 28 March 2017 | End of April 2017 |
| International ExcellenceScholarships (postgraduate) | 14 June 2017 | w/c 3 July 2017 |
| Bedford Society Scholarships | 14 June 2017 | w/c 3 July 2017 |
| RHBNC Trust Scholarships | 14 June 2017 | w/c 3 July 2017 |
| Katayoon Behboodi Scholarship | 14 June 2017 | w/c 3 July 2017 |
| Santander Excellence Scholarship | 14 June 2017 | w/c 3 July 2017 |
| The GREAT/ Royal HollowayScholarships (postgraduate) | 14 July 2017 | w/c 24 July 2017 |

\**By this date, the Scholarships Team will contact you to let you know whether or not your application will progress to the next stage of the selection process. If your application is taken forward, you will be invited to an interview to verify the information you have provided in your application. If you are successful in being offered an Article 26 Scholarship, you will be informed within two weeks of your interview.*