

**School of Social Sciences
Masters Scholarships 2011-2012 – Guidance Notes**

The School of Social Sciences will be offering a number of competitive scholarships up to the value of £2000 for the academic year 2011 / 12. The scholarships are available to UK / EU students who have been offered a place to study on their chosen full-time / part-time Masters programme within the School.

Nature of the Scholarship

These scholarships will be awarded to the candidates who most closely meet the criteria for the award which are provided below.

The Scholarship decision will be made by an awarding committee and all decisions are final. If you are awarded a Scholarship your fee will be adjusted before enrolment. If you are a part time student your fee will be adjusted proportionally at the start of each year.

Application Process

Applications must be received at the address on the application form by 4pm on 19 August 2011. Applications must consist of a fully completed scholarship application form, together with an additional statement of a maximum of 750 words which directly addresses the criteria below. You must also submit evidence to prove that you have achieved a 2.1 or above (or EU equivalent) in your undergraduate degree. Please see Application Form for further details.

The selection panel reserve the right to exclude from consideration any applications that include written statements which exceed the stated word limit.

Criteria for Award

Criteria One

Evidence of the pursuit and achievement of excellence in personal academic performance, or, where prior academic achievement is not relevant, evidence of the pursuit and achievement of excellence within work and other life experiences which you feel demonstrates your ability to make the most of this programme.

Criteria Two

A written statement indicating the anticipated academic and career benefits you will receive from studying this programme.

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Application Form - Scholarship Scheme 2011-2012**

- Please ensure that you have read and understood the terms and conditions.
- Please ensure that you have read and understood the criteria.
- Please make sure that you complete all sections and attach your personal statement to the signed Masters Scholarship Scheme application form.
- Please use separate typewritten sheets for your personal statement and ensure these are headed with your name.
- Please attach a copy of your degree certificate stating that you have achieved a 2.1 or above (or EU equivalent) in your undergraduate degree.
- Please make sure that you are specific, clear and have carefully proof read your application.

The following programmes are applicable for the Scholarship scheme:

Full-time and part-time routes of:

- MSc in Psychology
- MRes / MSc Psychological Research Methods
- MSc Psychological Well-Being and Mental Health
- MSc Applied Child Psychology
- MSc Forensic Mental Health
- MSc Forensic Psychology
- MA Public Health
- MSc Health & Safety Risk Management
- MA Sociology
- MA Criminology

Full-time route of:

- MSc Research Methods (full-time by attendance and full-time by distance-learning)

This Scheme excludes sponsored students (partial / full).

Section A – About You

Full Name:
NTU Student ID (where applicable):
Address:
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Email:
Telephone number:
Name of course applied for:
Nationality:

Section B – Personal Statement

Please provide a statement of maximum of 750 words which addresses both of the criteria below:

Criteria One

Evidence of the pursuit and achievement of excellence in personal academic performance, or, where prior academic achievement is not relevant, evidence of the pursuit and achievement of excellence within work and other life experiences which you feel demonstrates your ability to make the most of this programme.

For example:

- Give details of any relevant experience and achievements, both educational and outside education, which demonstrates how you have pursued or achieved excellence in that area.

- You may wish to demonstrate how this experience will enable you to apply the skills and knowledge that you have gained to help you get the most out of this Masters degree.

Criteria Two

A written statement indicating the anticipated academic and career benefits you will receive from studying this programme.

For example:

- you may wish to focus particularly on why you think that you should be awarded this scholarship ahead of other applicants.
- What individual contribution do you think that you could make to this Programme?
- In what specific ways do you think that achieving this Masters degree will contribute to achieving your career plans?

Please return your completed Scholarship application form and supporting documents to **gsr@ntu.ac.uk** or post to the address below:

Research Training Administrator
Graduate School, College of Business, Law and Social Sciences
Nottingham Trent University
Burton Street
Nottingham NG1 4BU

All applications must be received by **Friday 19 August 2011, 4pm** at the very latest. Successful applicants will be informed within two weeks of the closing date.

I confirm that the details given in this application are accurate and I have read and understood the terms & conditions of the scheme.

Signed----- Date -----