**Saint Andrew’s Society of the State of New York**

**Scholarship Fund**

Particulars of Scholarships to be awarded for Academic Year 2017-2018

For the academic year 2017-18, the Society will offer Scholarships to the total value of $60,000 to enable Scottish graduates to study for a year in the United States. **Up to two Scholarships** will be offered of not less than **$30,000 each**.

Preference will be given to candidates who have no previous experience of the United States and for whom a period of study there can be expected to be a life-changing experience. Selection will be on the basis of an all-round assessment, including personality and academic achievement.

The selection process is administered for the Society by the Carnegie Trust for the Universities of Scotland, who will appoint the Selection Committee and make recommendations to the Society.

Eligibility

1. Candidates must be Scottish by birth or descent, and will be expected to have current knowledge of Scotland and Scottish current affairs, and of the Scottish tradition generally. The Society expects its scholars to be good ambassadors for Scotland.

2. Candidates must also be:

* either graduates of a Scottish university, or of Oxford or Cambridge, who have completed their *first* degree course (so as to be qualified to graduate) not earlier than 2016;
* or students of a Scottish university, or of Oxford or Cambridge, who expect to complete their *first* degree course (so as to be qualified to graduate) in 2017.

An Honours degree is not essential.

The Grant

3. The monetary value of each Scholarship will be not less than **$30,000**, to be applied in the first instance to payment of tuition fees.

4. The Selection Committee has discretion to allow the grant to be applied wholly or mainly towards the cost of travel or accommodation, if they are satisfied that tuition fees will be paid (or waived) by the host university or by another grant-giving body.

5. There is no formal means test, but account will be taken of any other scholarship, bursary, grant or waiver of fees awarded in connection with the candidate’s proposed course of study in the United States.

6. It is the responsibility of candidates to ensure that they have fully researched the total likely cost of studying in their chosen university, as well as the cost of travel and accommodation. Neither the Society nor the Carnegie Trust can offer further financial assistance beyond the amount of the Scholarship.

11. Applicants are advised that, once an application has been accepted by an American university, a deposit will need to be paid to the university to secure the place offered. The payment of the deposit may be required before the final outcome of the selection process for the St Andrew’s scholarships is known.

7. Information about other possible sources of funding can be found at [www.fundingusstudy.com](http://www.fundingusstudy.com).

Tenure

8. The Scholarship will be tenable from September 2017 to May 2018 at a university in the United States within a radius of 250 miles from New York City, or within the area of Washington DC.

9. Where a student cannot find a course for his/her special subject of study within the geographical area indicated above, the Society will consider allowing the Scholarship to be held at another university in the United States.

10. Candidates are strongly advised to apply to more than one university. In previous years highly qualified candidates have failed to gain a place at the university of their choice, and have then found it difficult or impossible to find a place elsewhere.

Scholars’ involvement with the Society

12. The Society will invite its scholars to be its guests for its annual St Andrew’s Day Banquet in New York City (typically on the Friday evening before Thanksgiving) and for its annual Tartan Ball in New York City in the spring.

13. Scholars are expected to send to the Society at least two informal written reports, one in the first semester and the other in the second, addressing their personal and educational experiences during their time in the United States.

14. The scholars will be asked to stay in contact with the Society, so that they may continue to receive information about the Society and Society events, and so that the Society may learn of their progress as they advance through their respective lives.

Closing date for applications (Universities to insert the closing date of their choice)

15. Application forms can be obtained from the appropriate address listed in Annex A. Applications should **NOT** be submitted to the Saint Andrew’s Society or to the Carnegie Trust.

References

15. Applications must be accompanied by references from *two* academic referees written on, or annexed to, the form entitled “Confidential Report by Referee”. The form must be signed and dated by the applicant and the referee.

Interviews

16. Candidates will be informed by end April 2015 at the latest whether they have been selected for interview.

17. Interviews will take place in **Edinburgh in the week beginning 24th April 2017 (to be confirmed)**. Candidates will be informed whether they have been successful as soon as possible thereafter.

ANNEX A

**Addresses for submission of applications and references**

(Applications and references should NOT under any circumstances be sent directly to the Saint Andrew’s Society or to the Carnegie Trust)

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