

**OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PARTNERSHIPS AND PROSPECTS (IRPP), UNILAG.  
TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FROM COLLABORATING INSTITUTIONS - 2016 A\*\*\***

S/No.	Name of Opportunity	Nature of Opportunity	Benefiting Parties	Level of Study	Application Deadline
1	LFS Financial Systems Future Leaders Programme / Trainee MSME Banking 2016 in Germany	Internship/Traineeship	Business Administration, Finance, Economics, Agriculture	Post-graduate	August 31, 2016
2	TED Fellows Program	Fellowship	Arts, Mass Communication, Science	General	July 30, 2016, November 20, 2016
3	The Queen's Young Leaders Awards Scheme	Commonwealth Award	General	General	September 4, 2016
4	Ideas Matter Doctoral Fellowships for West Africa: Investing in the future of scholarship	Doctoral Fellowship	General	Doctorate	July 30, 2016
5	Science Forum South Africa	Call for thematic session proposals	Sciences, Social Sciences, Humanities	General	July 15, 2016
6	Beinecke Visiting Graduate Student Summer Fellowships.	Summer Fellowship	General	Ph.D., Doctoral	October 18, 2016
7	AREF Research Development Fellowships 2016	Research Fellowship	Sciences, Medical Sciences	Post-graduate	July 6, 2016
8	Digital Lab Africa 2016	Multimedia competition	Arts, Mass Communication	General	31-Aug-16
9	United Nations World Tourism Organization Logo Competition 2017 (Fully Funded to Madrid Spain)	Design Competition	Arts	General	July 15, 2016
10	The World Bank Young Professionals Program (YPP)	Internship/Traineeship	Economics, Finance, Education, Public Health, Social Sciences, Engineering, Urban Planning, Agriculture, Natural Resources	Post-graduate	July 27, 2016
11	Lagos Business School Young Talents Programme	One-day Introductory Programme	General	Undergraduate, Post-graduate	N/A
12	12. University of Birmingham	Scholarships on Admission Offer	General	General	N/A
13	Confucius Institute, Hanban	Scholarships on Admission Offer	General	General	N/A
14	UNICAF	Partial Scholarship	General	General	N/A
15	University Of Bedfordshire	Scholarships on Admission Offer	General	General	September 1, 2016, January 1, 2017
16	University Of Leeds	Scholarships on Admission Offer	General	Taught and Research Post-graduate	N/A
17	University of Birmingham / UKEAS Nigeria Outstanding Achievement Scholarships	Scholarships on Admission Offer	General	Undergraduate	May 31, 2016
18	Post-Doctoral Fellow (PDF) at University of British Columbia	Fellowship	General	Post-doctoral	July 15,2016 July 20, 2016 July 24, 2016
19	Harvard University Academy Scholars Program	Fellowship	Social Sciences, History, Law	Ph.D., Doctoral	October 1, 2016

\*\*\*: Interested Faculty / Student should please check details below

# OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, PARTNERSHIPS AND PROSPECTS (IRPP)

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## UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS

### TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FROM SOME COLLABORATING UNIVERSITIES FOR UNILAG FACULTIES AND STUDENTS

#### 1. [LFS Financial Systems Future Leaders Programme / Trainee MSME Banking 2016 in Germany](#)

LFS is a German consulting and management firm specialized in Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise (MSME) finance projects in developing and transition countries. LFS' main clients and partners are international financial institutions and development agencies including the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), the European Investment Bank (EIB), the International Finance Corporation (IFC), KfW Development Bank, and the World Bank. In addition to the provision of advisory services to banks and non-banks in the MSME finance field, LFS is the founder and lead investor in Access Microfinance Holding AG in Berlin, Germany, which operates a growing network of currently ten microfinance banks, all of which are managed by LFS.

We are looking in Africa, South America and the Central Asian region for candidates to join our Future Leaders Programme / Trainee MSME Banking

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#### *Structure of the Future Leaders Programme*

The aim of our Future Leaders Programme is to acquaint new staff with the LFS lending methodology and tools as well as with the roles and responsibilities in a micro, small and medium enterprise (MSME) finance bank. The nine-months training takes place in an Access network bank in Sub-Saharan Africa or the Caucasus. In the event of excellent performance, the nine-month period of the training programme may be shortened.

An additional goal of the Future Leaders Programme will be to enhance the Trainees' management skills to prepare them for their future management tasks. After the training, Junior Banking Advisors are ready to take over first management responsibilities in another Access network bank.

The training location is selected based on the experience and language skills of the trainee, as well as on project capacities and vacancies. Throughout the training, trainees are involved in the daily operations of the bank. Trainees are part of the LFS team on the ground and cooperate closely with the local staff in the bank.

### Content of the Future Leaders Programme

According to our experience, the best way of gaining knowledge and skills is training on the job. Therefore, throughout the training, trainees are directly involved in the operations of the Access network bank. A large part of the training usually takes place in the credit department. Trainees accompany loan officers and/or build up their own portfolio of microloans. This enables trainees to acquire a good understanding of the micro lending technology as well as the products and customers of the bank. For most trainees, the work as a Loan Officer is a challenging but very rewarding experience, especially in view of future tasks in management and consulting roles. The training also involves getting to know non-credit departments of the bank, namely the retail department (Client Advisors, Cashiers, Back Officers, and alternative channel projects) and head office functions. Also, trainees participate in branch and bank activities that take place in the course of the Future Leaders Programme.

Finally, as a preparation for future management tasks, assisting the Branch Manager, participating in technical and soft skills trainings, and taking on some consulting and management tasks in the LFS team are valuable experiences.

### What happens after the training?

As LFS Banking Advisor and during the training, you will spend more time in markets and in clients' shops and houses than in an office, especially in the beginning of your career.

The work within local teams requires a high degree of intercultural sensitivity, communication and leadership skills. Those have to complement the obligatory technical skills.

A career with LFS involves long-term stays in developing and transition countries (up to several years).

LFS tries to consider country and regional preferences of LFS Trainees and Banking Advisors; however, they may have to be subordinated to the capacities and requirements of projects and the company.

### Required skills, qualifications and experience

Master's degree in finance or finance-related field, economics, business, microfinance, or agriculture;

Apprenticeship in banking or finance sector would be advantageous;

Interest in a long-term career in the field of microfinance;

First work experience or internships in the field of Branchless Banking, particularly Digital Finance;

2 years professional experience, including first relevant experiences, e.g. in SME and/or Agri-Finance, and (Corporate) Finance are an asset;

Living or work experience in a developing or transition economy,

Excellent command of English and preferably one of the following languages: Arabic, French, Portuguese or Russian. Additional languages would be an asset;

Motivation for a long-term assignment in developing or transition countries;

Evidence of a sense of responsibility, intercultural awareness, creativity and commitment to excellence.

### How to introduce yourself

Applications, including a covering letter and CV, should be submitted online: <https://career.lfs-consulting.de/Jobs/Job?Job=27075>

## 2. TED Fellows Program

Twice a year, the TED Fellows program opens applications to find a new class of extraordinary thinkers and doers. Though we target innovators aged 21 to 40, we encourage anyone over 18 years old to apply.

### How to apply

The TED2017 Fellowship application is now open through **Saturday, July 30 2016 at 11:59pm** UTC.

### Application cycle dates

Each year we open two application cycles: one for **TED** and one for **TEDGlobal**. Each application cycle has an opening and closing date – you may only apply to be a Fellow between the opening and closing dates. We do not accept applications during the dates that fall outside of the application cycle window.

Dates for the **TED2017** application cycle is as follows:

### TED2017 application cycle

Opening date: June 13, 2016

Closing date: July 30, 2016

### TEDGlobal 2017 application cycle

Opening date: October 3, 2016

Closing date: November 20, 2016

### Who should apply

We look for different applicants than many other leadership-oriented programs. Instead of business people, professionals, policy wonks and government officials, the TED Fellows program focuses on **doers, makers, inventors, advocates, filmmakers and photographers, musicians and artists, scientists, entrepreneurs, NGO heads, and human rights activists.**

In addition to impressive accomplishment, fine character and a good heart are two very important traits we look for in every potential TED Fellow. More than anything, this focus on character has defined the success of the TED Fellows program.

### The application process

Candidates may apply to attend either **TED** or **TEDGlobal**. We welcome anyone over the age of 18 to apply. We choose 20 Fellows to attend each TED Conference.

### The selection process

TED Fellows are selected by the program staff, with extensive reference checking and consultation with experts across all fields. Selections are made by the group as a whole, not by individuals. There is no algorithm for how we select our TED Fellows. We select Fellows based on their accomplishments in their respective fields, the potential impact of their work and also, most importantly, their character. The ideal applicant is multidisciplinary in their pursuits, and is at a moment in their career to maximize the support of the TED Community.

If you are interested, please apply online: <http://fellow-applications.ted.com/applications/new>

## **3. The Queen's Young Leaders Awards Scheme**

We're looking to award exceptional young people who've proved themselves to be inspiring leaders in their communities. Many of whom will have overcome challenges in their lives to do so.

This unique, life-changing Award is comprised of a tailored package of training and mentoring. Winners will also receive a one-week residential programme in the UK, during which they will receive their Award from Her Majesty The Queen.

With this support, Award winners will be expected to continue and develop the amazing work they are already doing in their communities.

Applications to become a 2017 Queen's Young Leader are open from **24th June – 4th September 2016**.

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Each application/nomination must meet the following criteria:

- Applicants need to have proven experience of working to improve their communities locally, regionally or at a national level and be able to show evidence of their achievements. Applicants **must be aged between 18 and 29 throughout 2017**; your date of birth must fall between 1st January 1988 – 1st January 1999;
- Applicants need to have proven experience of working to improve their communities locally, regionally or at a national level and be able to show evidence of their achievements.
- Applicants must be aged between 18 and 29 throughout 2017; your date of birth must fall between 1st January 1988 – 1st January 1999;
- Applicants must be **citizens of and working in a Commonwealth country or citizens of an Overseas Territories (of a Commonwealth Member)**.
- Applicants need to demonstrate evidence of their leadership qualities.
- All applicants need to be supported by a suitable referee (a professional in one of the following occupations; a teacher or counsellor; a registered physician or nurse; a church or community

leader; social worker or family services; or business leader). Referees must not be related to you.

- Priority will be given to individuals who have overcome challenges to achieve their goals.

All applications/nominations will be considered based on the young person's achievements to date as well as their potential and future ambition. Award winners will be shortlisted by an Advisory Panel made up of young people from across the Commonwealth and a Board of advisors representing the three partners. The shortlist for Award winners will then be presented to The Queen's Young Leaders Programme Board, which contains members from all three partner organisations, for final selection and decision.

#### WHAT WILL AN AWARD WINNER RECEIVE?

- Mentoring

As a Queen's Young Leader you will be allocated a mentor with relevant experience and expertise who will support you over the course of the year to continue and develop your work.

- Online learning

Online learning will be provided with materials relevant to your area of interest, as well as serving as a place for you to meet and share experiences and knowledge with other Queen's Young Leaders.

- One-week residential programme in the UK

The Award winners will have the opportunity to meet with inspiring people and visit organisations in the UK that have expertise in areas such as media and communications, social action and advocacy. During this week, Awards will be presented by Her Majesty The Queen at Buckingham Palace.

Apply Online: <http://www.queensyoungleaders.com/apply-now/>

#### **4. Ideas Matter Doctoral Fellowships for West Africa: Investing in the future of scholarship**

Deadline for applications: **July 30, 2016**

The West African Research Association (WARA), in collaboration with The MasterCard Foundation, is pleased to announce support for young West African scholars through its new Ideas Matter Doctoral Fellowship program. This program reflects our joint commitment to increasing opportunities for emerging West African scholars, people who are transforming ideas into active solutions to the challenges facing the region and the

world at large.

In 2016, the Ideas Matter Doctoral Fellowship program will award three doctoral research grants of \$4,000 each. In addition to a 1500 word proposal, budget, CV, two letters of recommendation, applicants must submit a statement explaining how their research will contribute to meeting critical needs on the continent.

The Ideas Matter Doctoral Fellowship is open to **doctoral students under age 35 who are based in West African institutions of higher education, for research on the continent.**

**Priority will be given to research projects focusing on women, technology and entrepreneurship.**

West Africa, like other parts of the world, is rich in intellectual resources. Universities are home to scholarly communities of scientists, historians, artists, and social scientists. Young scholars in the region are carrying out innovative, cutting edge research in agriculture, technology, the humanities, and a wide range of other fields. They are poised to deliver innovative solutions to challenges posed by the changing climate, demographic shifts, and cultural transformations that mark our times. The Ideas Matter Doctoral Fellowship program will support the research initiatives of young scholars.

All applications must be submitted online at

[https://fs9.formsite.com/westafricanresearchassociation/form31/form\\_login.html](https://fs9.formsite.com/westafricanresearchassociation/form31/form_login.html)

## **5. Science Forum South Africa**

Science Forum South Africa is calling for thematic session proposals for the Forum.

The 2016 Forum will have a specific focus on the social sciences and humanities, as well as the role of science in Africa's development.

The **deadline for the submission of proposals is Friday, 15 July 2016.**

*Key objectives of the Forum*

- To create a platform for a vibrant debate on the role of science, technology and innovation in society;
- To promote international science, technology and innovation partnerships; and

- To create a platform for key science, technology and innovation actors, including senior government leaders, academics, scientists, industry, civil society, and students to interact.

#### *Key attributes of the Forum*

- A provocative and stimulating forum programme comprising several parallel sessions, addressing a diverse range of science and science policy orientated themes;
- A rich diversity in the background of participants, comprising scientists, students, public and private sector representatives as well as civil society constituents;
- A forum programme not only compiled “top-down” by the organisers but also enabling public input through a competitive call for proposals for the organisation of sessions; and
- A strong international dimension to the event, reflected by the participation of speakers and attendees from a diverse range of countries, especially from Africa.

The submission is **open from 3 June 2016 and the deadline for session proposals is 15 July 2016.**

Proposals will be evaluated by the SFSA2016 Programme Committee (PC).

The PC may request revisions to some proposal(s).

Proponents whose proposals have been accepted or rejected will be informed no later than 12 August 2016.

Apply here: <http://www.sfsa.co.za/call-for-proposals/proposal-submission/>

## **6. Beinecke Visiting Graduate Student Summer Fellowships.**

**Application Deadline: October 18, 2016**

For the period of June 1 - August 31, 2017

### **Fellowship Details**

#### *Application Requirements*

Graduate students seeking these fellowships **must be currently enrolled in a PhD/doctoral program and must have completed their course work, passed their qualifying examinations, and be prepared to pursue research based upon an approved dissertation prospectus/proposal.**

Successful applicants normally explain in extensive and specific detail the relationship of the Beinecke collections to their project. Most of the holdings of the Beinecke Library in printed materials are described in Orbis, the online catalogue of Yale University Library. Early manuscripts and modern archives are described in detailed finding aids available via the internet. Books and manuscripts at Yale have been extensively described since 1926 in the Yale University Library Gazette, which is available in many libraries.

All application materials must be received by **October 18, 2016**. Applicants are required to submit the following materials to the Director of the Beinecke Library:



- an online application form
- a curriculum vitae
- a proposal (1200 word maximum) explaining in detail the specific relationship between the Beinecke Collections and the applicant's research
- a detailed list of specific research materials to be consulted at Beinecke during your fellowship
- two confidential letters of recommendation sent to the Beinecke Director, one of which must come from the principal director of the applicant's dissertation
- an approved dissertation prospectus/proposal

Application materials may be submitted by postal mail or with the web application form. Please do not send hard copies of materials if you choose to attach your materials to the web application form. Application materials will not be accepted by email or fax.

For further information, visit <http://beinecke.library.yale.edu/programs-events/fellowship-program/visiting-graduate-student-summer-fellowships>

## **7. Digital Lab Africa 2016**

Digital Lab Africa a springboard for African talent in multimedia.

You are an artist, a student, an entrepreneur or a start-up.

You have a project in one of these 4 categories: **digital music, web creation, virtual reality, video game.**

Submit your project and win a 3,000 € cash prize + a Digital Lab Africa Incubation ticket to make your project happen. Deadline to submit your project: **31 August 2016**

The DLA incubation ticket will comprise:

- Mentorship by leading companies in multimedia
- Residence time in France within a digital cluster
- Participation in benchmark multimedia events

Digital Lab Africa call for projects is open to any professional or individual in multimedia creation: artists, producers, start-up, SMEs, collectives, students or entrepreneurs from Sub-Saharan Africa. The applicants have to be based in this region or being nationals of one of the Sub-Saharan African countries, provided the project development is mostly implemented locally.

Please attach requested documents to the following email address: [digilabafrika@gmail.com](mailto:digilabafrika@gmail.com)

- Presentation folder of the project including graphical / visual elements, solutions / technologies, screenplay, target audience, projected budget, business plan, production schedule (5 to 8 pages maximum).
- A beta version / preview / pilot or demo of the project if available
- A biography of the applicant/ description of the company represented (max 300 words).
- A picture (.jpeg) of the applicant

Applicants may submit several projects, but only one per category.

For any question, please contact: [digilabafrica@gmail.com](mailto:digilabafrica@gmail.com)

## **8. AREF Research Development Fellowships 2016**

AREF Research Development Fellowships 2016

The Africa Research Excellence Fund is pleased to announce its second annual call for applications for AREF Research Development Fellowships. The aim of the Programme is to enhance the research competitiveness of early-career African researchers who have research leadership potential and are working on important challenges for human health in Africa.

The Fellowship is designed to enable talented, early-career African researchers to develop their own research ideas and specialist skills, to grow their research relationships through collaboration and mentorship, and to work towards a major research funding proposal. The Fellowship is designed to be a stepping-stone towards more substantial research funding.

Each AREF Fellowship will support a developmental placement of three-to-nine months in a leading research organisation in Europe or South Africa.

The details are similar to those of the 2015 competition. However, an innovation for 2016, based on feedback last year from potential and actual applicants, is that some funding will be available for a “planned follow-through” in the awardee’s employing institution after she or he has returned from their placement.

The maximum award is 43,000 GB Pounds. The length of the placement and actual amount awarded will depend on the detailed justification provided by the applicant actively supported by their employing and host institutions. Applicants will need to demonstrate a credible, ambitious vision for their research on a human-health challenge for Africa; and a transformational, well-supported development plan that would be significantly enhanced by the Fellowship.

Applications with an ambitious, developmental plan that prepares the way for the applicant to tackle a challenging research question with further grant or fellowship funding will be more successful than those that seek just to pack a conventional research project and some training into nine months abroad. The applicants must own their plans themselves, while demonstrating they have the support of key individuals on whom their success will depend.

While the Fellowship is designed as a stepping-stone for individuals, AREF wishes to enable their African home institutions to grow and succeed by nurturing their research talent. Potential applicants are therefore encouraged to discuss their plans at an early stage with their employing and potential host organisations – so that the Fellowship can be a “win-win-win” for all three parties.

We are keen to receive high quality applications from both women and men; from diverse research disciplines – including social and economic sciences, veterinary (“one health”) researchers, and clinically-

active researchers; and from franco-, luso- and anglophone low-and-middle income countries of Sub-Saharan Africa.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 1600 hours (GMT) on 6 July 2016. Our first awards will be announced December 2016.

To hold an AREF Research Development Fellowship, you will need to meet the following eligibility criteria;

1. be a national of a country in sub-Saharan Africa excluding South Africa;
2. be a post-doctoral scientist with a PhD, with up to 4-years of active research experience on 1 July 2016; or be an active clinician with a relevant Master's degree and up to 3-years active research experience;
3. be working in an active research role at the time of applying, with a guarantee of employment with a university or other legally established research organisation in sub-Saharan Africa for the duration of your fellowship; and
4. submit the required documentation, including declarations from your home and host organisations detailing how they will support your development as a researcher, if you receive an award.

For more information: <http://www.medicalresearchfoundation.org.uk/aref/2016/04/04/aref-research-development-fellowship-2016/>

## **9. United Nations World Tourism Organization Logo Competition 2017 (Fully Funded to Madrid Spain)**

*What are we looking for?*

We are looking for creative people who will give a "face" to the year. We are looking for a logo that translates the value of sustainable tourism to universal development in all its dimensions: economic, social and environmental as per the five key areas:

- Inclusive and sustainable economic growth
- Social inclusiveness, employment and poverty reduction
- Resource efficiency, environmental protection and climate change
- Cultural values, diversity and heritage
- Mutual understanding, peace and security.

Don't hold back and be as original as possible!!

*Why do it?*

See your logo travelling around the world in all activities and campaigns related to the year.

Join us for the official launch of the International Year in Madrid on 18 January 2017 (the Organization will offer, accommodation for 2 nights in Madrid).

*How to go about it?*

Send your application by email to [iystdlogo@unwto.org](mailto:iystdlogo@unwto.org) together with a short explanation of what it stands for and the submission form.

*Who can participate?*

Anyone over 18 years of age

*Submission Deadline*

The Logo Competition for the International Year will be running from 23 June until 15 July 2016. Make sure you have submitted your logo by **15 July 2016 at 23:59 (Madrid time)**.

Entries submitted after this day will not be eligible. For more information:

<http://media.unwto.org/node/45757>

## **10. [The World Bank Young Professionals Program \(YPP\)](#)**

The Young Professionals Program (YPP) is a starting point for an exciting career in the World Bank.

It is a unique opportunity for younger talent who have both a passion for international development and the leadership potential to grow in fascinating top technical and managerial roles in the World Bank Group. The Program is designed for highly qualified and motivated individuals skilled in areas relevant to the WBG technical/operations such as economics, finance, education, public health, social sciences, engineering, urban planning, agriculture, natural resources and others. To be competitive for this highly selective program, candidates need to demonstrate a commitment to development, proven academic success, professional achievement, and leadership capability.

We value diversity in our workplace, and encourage qualified men and women with diverse professional, academic, and cultural backgrounds to apply. Since its inception, the YP program has hired over 1,700 people who hold or have held positions ranging from entry-level to vice presidents and managing directors. It is a unique opportunity to experience development and gain exposure to the World Bank's operations and policies.

The application for the 2017 Selection Process for the Young Professionals Program at the World Bank is open from **June 15 - July 27, 2016**.

*Am I Eligible?*

- A citizen of a member country of the World Bank
- 32 years of age or younger (born on or after October 1, 1984)
- PhD or Master's degree and 3+ years of relevant work experience

- Specialization in a field relevant to WBG operations
- Fluency in English and proficiency in another WBG working language is desirable

Please visit:

<http://web.worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/EXTJOBSNEW/0,,contentMDK:23132001~menuPK:8465086~pagePK:8453902~piPK:8453359~theSitePK:8453353,00.html> for more information.

## **11. Lagos Business School Young Talents Programme**

### *Overview*

The purpose of the one-day programme is to help the school establish an ongoing relationship with the brightest university students in the country prior to and after their graduation from the university. The primary objective of engaging with these talented students is to expose them to a world-class institution and short list suitable candidates for the LBS Management Scholarship Academy. We will also welcome candidates that could become future administrative staff and ultimately faculty members. This programme would help the school build a pipeline of bright academics for the African continent.

### *Programme*

The LBS Young Talents' Programme will:

1. Introduce participants to life in LBS as a faculty person, researcher and admin staff
2. Introduce participants to a career in Management research and teaching
3. Expose participants to the channels within the school for embracing an academic career: Management Scholarship Academy and the LBS PhD programme
4. Discuss about the LBS culture, history and inspiration.
5. Build a network of young talents who can also be part of the MBA programme

For: This programme is designed for undergraduates who are in their final year university studies. We also welcome M.Sc students and National Youth Service Corps (NYSC) members. These students should be on a first class or second class upper. The applicants should not be above 30years old. Previous participants of the YTP are not eligible to apply again.

Application procedure: fill the application form online , send resume and proof of academic standing. Further details can be given by OpeOteri on ooteri@lbs.edu.ng

Date: July 29, 2016

Fee: Free for selected candidates

For more information, visit: [http://www.lbs.edu.ng/lbs\\_young\\_talents\\_programme](http://www.lbs.edu.ng/lbs_young_talents_programme)

## 12. UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM

### International Postgraduate scholarships

The International Postgraduate scholarships are awards offered to one year masters overseas students.

### External Scholarships

<i>Scholarship Name</i>	<i>Details</i>
Lagos State Scholarship Board	The Foreign Scholarship award is designed for students of Lagos State origin admitted for undergraduate or postgraduate programmes in recognised tertiary institutions outside Nigeria. It is applicable to applicants studying subjects such as technological, medical, languages and environmental sciences.
Petroleum Technology Development Fund (PTDF)	Scholarship award for Nigerian graduates to travel overseas in order to study postgraduate courses in areas relevant to the Oil, Gas and Solid Minerals industry. The University of Birmingham has a good relationship with the PTDF and happy to welcome a number of PTDF sponsored students each year.
Commonwealth Scholarship	Approximately 200 scholarships on offer each year for students studying in one of the Commonwealth countries.
NNPC/ESSO International Postgraduate Scholarship Awards	International Scholarships to outstanding Nigerian graduates wishing to pursue post-graduate studies in Geosciences, Engineering (Petroleum, Mechanical, Chemical, Electrical, Sub-Sea and Marine).
Chevening Scholarship	One year postgraduate scholarship.
DFID Shared Scholarships	A scholarship to graduate students who want to study in the UK in the economic, social or technological fields.
Bank PHB UK Education Loan	This loan is available for undergraduate and postgraduate studies in universities recognised by the British Council.

For more information, please visit:

<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/postgraduate/funding/FundingFilter.aspx>

## 13. SOOCHOW UNIVERSITY, CHINA

### Confucius Institute, Hanban

In order to support development of Confucius Institutes, facilitate Chinese language promotion and Chinese cultural transmission in the world, cultivate qualified Chinese language teachers and talented students of Chinese language, Confucius Institute Headquarters (Hanban) (hereinafter referred to as Hanban) launches the “Confucius Institute Scholarships” program for

providing sponsorship to students, scholars and Chinese language teachers of other countries for pursuing a study in relevant universities in China (hereinafter referred to as “host institutions”).

### *I. Category & Eligibility*

The 2016 Confucius Institute Scholarship Categories are:

Scholarship for Master’s Degree in Teaching Chinese to Speakers of Other Languages (MTC SOL) Students

Scholarship for one-Academic-Year Study + MTC SOL Students

Scholarship for Bachelor’s Degree in Teaching Chinese to Speakers of Other Languages (BTC SOL) Students

Scholarship for One-Academic-Year Study Students

Scholarship for One-Semester Study Students

Scholarship for Four-Week Study Students

Application is open to applicant who owns a non-Chinese citizenship, aged between 16 and 35, in good health condition, (Applicant is currently working in a Chinese language teaching position shall not exceed the age limit of 45. Undergraduate student shall not exceed the age limit of 20).

### *IV. Admission Procedure*

Scholarship recruitment is open all year round on a trial basis. For applicants, recommending institutions and host institutions, please find admission procedures and scholarship recruitment results on the Confucius Institute Scholarships website <http://cis.chinese.cn> (page in Chinese)

### *V. Disclaimer*

1. Incomplete or unqualified applications will not be processed.
2. Applicants will be disqualified from application in case of fraudulent application materials or application materials are completed and submitted by someone else.
3. Scholarship winners who cannot register with the host institutions on time should inform the host institution about the reasons in written form within 15 days before the admission date. For those who do not register as requested without reason, the scholarship.
4. Scholarship will be canceled for those who , drop out, or take schooling suspension during the study.

### *VI. Contact Information*

Division of Scholarships, Confucius Institute Headquarters (Hanban)  
Address: 129, Deshengmenwai Street, Xicheng District, Beijing, 100088  
Fax: +86-10-58595727 E-mail: [scholarships@hanban.org](mailto:scholarships@hanban.org)

For additional information, please visit: <http://english.hanban.org/jxjen.htm>

Also visit <http://www.csc.edu.cn/laihua/scholarshipen.aspx> for more.

## 14. UNICAF

UNICAF is one of the most generous scholarship Programmes available. The programme supports students that are domiciled worldwide and provides opportunities for studies towards various distance learning degree programmes awarded by European, British and American universities. Currently UNICAF provides scholarships for the online programmes offered by the University of South Wales in the UK, the University of Nicosia in the EU and the Marymount California University in the USA.

For the last two decades our associate institutions have been offering scholarships to international students. Successful students were able to make a significant contribution to their home counties at the highest level.

A UNICAF Scholarship is ONLY available for ONLINE STUDIES. It is not available for on-campus studies. Students can Study Online and Graduate on Campus!

Online learning has revolutionised higher education because of the many advantages it offers. As an online student you are able to learn at your own pace and at times at a much lower cost.

Save up to 80% by studying online. Online learning gives you access to modern education at a fraction of the cost!

Easy, Quick, Registration Process. You can easily apply and start learning, benefiting from a state of the art online virtual environment!

No fixed study hours, no ground rules. Adjust your studying schedule to suit your needs. The only requirement is to keep up with your deadlines.

Online learning, or e-learning, offers a number of advantages for people and companies looking to develop a new content program or curricula — none bigger than the ability to offer that training anywhere, anytime. That means whether students are in a classroom or scattered all over the world in different time zones, they can still tap into the same course materials, and at a time that's convenient to them.

Online Learning benefits also include:

- Simple, flexible logistics.
- Immediate results and feedback.
- Learn innovative strategies for virtual teamwork by using electronic communication to interact with a group.
- Internationally accredited degrees.



The UNICAF Scholarship Programme was founded to offer gifted underprivileged students worldwide the opportunity of furthering their education by studying towards internationally accredited qualifications at a much lower cost. It does NOT offer full scholarships. If you have any questions that are not answered here feel free to contact us for further inquiries.

Feel Free to call on +44 203 815 8006 or email us at [info@unicaf.org](mailto:info@unicaf.org)

or complete the application form above and an adviser will contact you within 24 hours!

UNICAF Only provides Partial Scholarships!

UNICAF helps you gain access to higher education by shaving off a significant amount in the form of partial scholarships. This way you can save money by having a big reduction in the programme's cost.

### *Scholarship Eligibility*

To apply for the UNICAF Scholarship Programme, candidates should:

Be a permanent resident of an African country or Mauritius

Be earning less than \$20,000 per year

Be available to commence their academic studies within 6 months from the date of receiving admission to one of the programmes offered

Meet the entry requirements of the respective programme of study

Visit <https://www.unicaf.org/scholarships/> for full information.

## **15. University Of Bedfordshire**

### *International Scholarship at the University of Bedfordshire*

The International Students Scholarship Scheme is funded by the University directly and aims to provide financial assistance to students from overseas who are applying to study at the University of Bedfordshire.

The University of Bedfordshire Scholarship – value GBP 1000

### *Award criteria for the University of Bedfordshire Scholarship*

- Academic Merit including English proficiency
- Relevant work experience/ research
- Ability to contribute to the University of Bedfordshire's development

### *Award of University of Bedfordshire Scholarships*

- University of Bedfordshire Scholarship awards will be made in the form of a tuition fee discount.
- All Scholarship applications will be considered by the Scholarships committee which meets regularly
- Scholarships will only be awarded for the first year of a programme
- A student may not receive more than one scholarship

- Application deadline for September/October intake is 01 September
- Application deadline for January/February intake is 01 January
- Successful applicants will be contacted via email, within 14 days of the closing date for applications.

#### *How to apply*

- **Only students who hold a conditional offer and an unconditional offer from the University of Bedfordshire will be considered for Scholarship awards.**
- Download, print and complete an International Students Scholarship form.
- Attach copies of all requested additional paper work/documents.
- Those students who hold conditional offers from the University and who wish to apply for a scholarship must submit their results to the University by 31 August for the September intake and by 31 December for January/February intake.
- Only Successful applicants will be contacted via email within 14 days after the closing deadlines

The closing dates for applications are:

- for September/October entry: 01 September
- for January/February entry: 01 January

More info: <http://www.beds.ac.uk/howtoapply/international/fees/scholarships>

## **16. University Of Leeds**

### *Postgraduate Scholarships for International Applicants*

The University offers a wide range of Taught and Research Postgraduate Scholarships for study at Leeds for international students from partial fee awards to full scholarships covering fees and maintenance grants and other allowances. Scholarships are very competitive and it is important to make enquiries and apply to all possible sources of funding at an early stage.

**IMPORTANT:** to be eligible to apply for a postgraduate scholarship you MUST first submit a study application form (taught or research) and be in receipt of a University Student ID number. Your application will be rejected if you do not have a valid University Student ID number.

Taught Postgraduate Applicants can apply online at <http://www.leeds.ac.uk/students/apply.htm>

Research Applicants can apply online at [https://www.leeds.ac.uk/info/130206/applying/91/applying\\_for\\_research\\_degrees](https://www.leeds.ac.uk/info/130206/applying/91/applying_for_research_degrees)

You should:

1. Read the information carefully and check the eligibility criteria for different Scholarships;
2. Aim to submit your application at an early stage;
3. If applying for Master's by Research scholarships search under both taught postgraduate and research postgraduate.

Further enquiries may be directed to: [pg\\_scholarships@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:pg_scholarships@leeds.ac.uk)

## **17. University of Birmingham / UKEAS Nigeria Outstanding Achievement Scholarships**

Level of Study: Any Undergraduate

Subject area: Arts and Law, Life and Environmental Sciences, Social Sciences

Nationality: Overseas (Non-EU), Nigeria

Type of Award: External, University

Deadline for applying: 31/05/2016

### *Award Description*

The University of Birmingham is pleased to announce the award of 4 scholarships of £5000 for Nigerian students applying for entry to an undergraduate programme at the University starting September 2016.

These are joint awards with our local representatives UKEAS, and will be awarded to high performing students starting their University of Birmingham programme this year.

### *Value of Award*

The scholarship award is for £5000 towards tuition fees for the first year only of a full time undergraduate degree programme at the University starting September 2016.

### *Eligibility Criteria*

In order to be eligible, candidates must:

- Have received an offer and selected the University of Birmingham as their firm choice for any full time undergraduate programme starting September 2016. The student must be entering the first year of an undergraduate programme based at Birmingham.
- Have met the academic conditions of their offer to the programme.
- Be classed as Nigeria domiciled and a Nigerian national.
- Be classed by the University as an overseas fee payer for tuition fee payment. Should be able to fund the remaining costs of their studies at Birmingham from other sources.
- Start their studies at the University in September 2016, the scholarship award may not be deferred. Be registered with, and have their undergraduate study application attached to, one of our local representatives (as listed above). A student may only apply through one local representative.

- To apply for the scholarship students will need to have accepted an offer from the University of Birmingham and be in contact with our representatives, UKEAS, by 31 May 2016.

#### *How to Apply*

To apply for the scholarship students will need to have accepted an offer from the University of Birmingham and be in contact with one of our representatives.

Selection for the award will be based on academic performance and students will be shortlisted for interviews (either in person or via Skype) which are to be held in June and July. The scholarships will be announced shortly after interview.

The full scholarship will be awarded upon enrolment on studies in September 2016. Students already registered and studying on a programme at the University of Birmingham are not eligible for the award.

For further information please contact our local representatives:

UKEAS Lagos, Nigeria

Email: John Ojeogwu - [j.ojeogwu@bham.ac.uk](mailto:j.ojeogwu@bham.ac.uk)

## **18. [Post-Doctoral Fellowship \(PDF\) at The University of British Columbia](#)**

### *Becoming a Post-Doctoral Fellow(PDF) at University of British Columbia*

The first step in finding a PDF position at UBC is to search the research interests of individual faculty members to locate a potential supervisor. Faculty members can be contacted directly to discuss potential PDF appointment opportunities, and applications can be made directly to faculty members.

Postdoctoral appointments at UBC are managed through individual faculties and departments. The Postdoctoral Fellows Office does not accept applications nor are we involved in the hiring process.

### *UBC PDF Postings*

While most PDF positions at UBC can be found by contacting a faculty member directly, some positions may be posted on individual faculty websites. Please visit Faculty Career Opportunities for a comprehensive list of links to UBC's faculties.

### *UBC Faculty Careers*

For current PDFs looking to embark on the next phase of their academic career, please visit Faculty Career Opportunities for links to UBC faculty websites. Faculty positions are posted within their specific faculty.

### ***Current Postings***

<b>Position Title</b>	<b>Employer/Institution</b>	<b>Application Deadline</b>
<a href="#"><u>Postdoctoral Fellow Position in Indigenous – Local Intergovernmental Relations in Comparative Perspective, Western University</u></a>	Western University	Friday, 15 July 2016
<a href="#"><u>Sessional Instructor - Asian Studies, Columbia College</u></a>	Columbia College	Wednesday, 20 July 2016
<a href="#"><u>Postdoctoral Research Fellow - GRIFFIN, TRIUMF</u></a>	TRIUMF	Sunday, 24 July 2016

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## **19. Harvard University Academy Scholars Program**

This program is open to all recent PhD recipients and doctoral candidates.

The Academy Scholars Program identifies and supports outstanding scholars at the start of their careers whose work combines disciplinary excellence in the social sciences (including history and law) with a command of the language, history, or culture of non-Western countries or regions. Their scholarship may elucidate domestic, comparative, or transnational issues, past or present.

The Academy Scholars are a select community of individuals with resourcefulness, initiative, curiosity, and originality, whose work in non-Western cultures or regions shows promise as a foundation for exceptional careers in major universities or international institutions.

Academy Scholars are appointed for two years by The Harvard Academy for International and Area Studies and are provided time, guidance, and access to Harvard University facilities. They receive substantial financial and research assistance to undertake sustained projects of research and/or acquire accessory training in their chosen fields and areas. The Senior Scholars, a distinguished group of senior Harvard University faculty members, act as mentors to the Academy Scholars to help them achieve their intellectual potential.

### *How to Apply*

All application materials need to arrive by the deadline of October 1. We do not accept late applications.

The completed application will include:

- Cover letter
- Curriculum vitae (CV) or resumé
- Research proposal (2500 word maximum)
- Official PhD program transcript
- Three letters of recommendation (uploaded through the online application)

Letters should be addressed to the "Selection Committee." Letters of recommendation need to arrive by the deadline of October 1.

The online application is accessed through the homepage of The Harvard Academy's website. All parts of the application are submitted online.

Questions should be emailed to:

[applicationinquiries@wcfia.harvard.edu](mailto:applicationinquiries@wcfia.harvard.edu)

Please visit [http://academy.wcfia.harvard.edu/programs/academy\\_scholar](http://academy.wcfia.harvard.edu/programs/academy_scholar) for full details.