

Studentship funding

BBSRC: Industrial Case Studentships

The studentships will be awarded in the form of flexible doctoral training grants commencing in the 2009/10 academic year. The awards support bioscience graduates to undertake research leading to a PhD on a subject selected and supervised jointly by academic and industrial partners.

- More information about this grant is available [here](#). The deadline for this application is 4pm on 8 October 2008. Our internal deadline will be Monday 24 September.

Boehringer Ingelheim Fund: PhD Studentships

Boehringer Ingelheim Fonds invites applications for its PhD scholarships for basic research aimed at acquiring new scientific knowledge. The foundation supports projects aimed to elucidate basic phenomena of human life. Applicants should not be older than 27 years of age. Natural scientists may apply after having submitted a diploma or equivalent thesis; physicians, veterinary surgeons and pharmacists should have passed state examinations. At the deadline the applicant should not have worked on their project for longer than six months. Nationality is irrelevant. European citizens are supported in Europe or overseas; non-European citizens receive support when working in Europe. Boehringer Ingelheim Fonds will award approximately 15 PhD scholarships per funding round. Each scholarship is granted for at least two years, with an option of renewal for a further 12 months. Irrespective of the scholar's age the basic monthly grant amounts to 1,400 euros. In Switzerland, in the US and the UK 500 euros are added as a compensation for purchasing power.

- Here are the details of [Boehringer Ingelheim's](#) application. The deadlines for this application are 1 February, 1 June and 1 October annually. The next external deadline is 1 June 2008. Our internal deadline is Monday 19 May 2008.

Carnegie Scholarships

The Carnegie Trust for the Universities of Scotland, UK invites nominations for its scholarships in all subjects. These are for graduates with first class honours from a Scottish university, or students who expect to graduate within a short time of applying. Awards support three years of postgraduate research at any university in the UK, and provide fees, maintenance and a research and travel allowance. Applicants must be nominated by a professor, reader or lecturer in a Scottish university. The annual value of the scholarship is £10,000.

Here are the details of [Carnegie Trust's](#) schemes. Deadline for this application is March 15 every year.

Entente Cordiale Scholarship Programme

Entente Cordiale UK invites applications for its scholarships for outstanding British and French postgraduates in any subjects to study or carry out research for an academic year in the partner country. The award for 2008-9 is expected to be £8,000 for scholars resident in Paris and £7,500 for scholars conducting research outside Paris. These amounts cover lodging, food, travel and books. Registration and tuition fees are paid by the Entente Cordiale scholarship fund which usually supplies a maximum of £3,000 per grant.

Here are the details of [Entente Cordiale UK's](#) programme. Deadline for this application is 14 March 2008.

European Science Foundation: Functional Genomics Short Visits and Exchange Grants

The European Science Foundation's scientific programme frontiers of functional genomics is offering the following awards to scientists wishing to use a new technology or carry out a certain experiment in another laboratory:

- short visit grants are for up to 15 days and are reimbursed on a per diem basis of 85 euros plus actual travel expenses up to a maximum of 500 euros;

- exchange grants last from 15 days to six months and are reimbursed on the basis of an allowance of 400 euros per week plus actual travel expenses up to a maximum of 500 euros.

These grants are for young scientists who must be registered as PhD students or have a PhD. They must apply to stay in another European country. At least one of the institutes involved must be located in one of the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, and the UK.

More information about this grant is available [here](#). The next external deadline is 2 May 2008. Our internal deadline is Friday 18 April 2008.

European Science Foundation: From Natural Philosophy to Science - Summer School

A summer school will be organised from 14-21 July 2008 at Radboud University in Nijmegen, Netherlands. The programme will address the important but difficult question: which were the factors involved in transforming natural philosophy into the physical sciences ?

More information about this opportunity can be found [here](#). The external deadline is 1 June 2008; the internal deadline is .

European Doctoral College Strasbourg, France: Research grants

The European Doctoral College invites applications from students primarily from European countries who are interested in preparing a PhD in two different institutions: one in Strasbourg and the other in another European country of the student's choice. Applicants must have one of the degrees required to be accepted for doctoral studies in a French university by 15 October and must have European or associated states citizenship. The EDC offers help with accommodation, travel expenses and a limited number of grants to work in conjunction with the applicant's other source or sources of funding. The European Doctoral College accepts students in all subjects.

More information about this grant is available [here](#). The deadlines for this application are 15 May and 15 September annually.

British Federation of Women Graduates: Charitable Foundation Grants

Applications are invited for the British Federation of Women Graduates Charitable Foundation grants. These help women graduates with their living expenses while registered for study or research at an approved institution of higher education in Great Britain.

Grants will not normally exceed £4,00 and will only be available for the final year of a PhD or DPhil.

The criteria are the proven needs of the applicant and their academic calibre and all grants are offered on a needs basis. Not all grants therefore will be for £4,000.

More information about the grant is available [here](#). The external deadline is 15 May 2008. Our internal deadline is Thursday 1 May 2008.

British Association for Cancer Research: Student Awards

The British Association for Cancer Research invites applications for its student awards. These support students who wish to attend scientific meetings in cancer research. Up to £800 are available per award to cover second class overland fares or APEX airfare, registration fees, accommodation and subsistence. Students who have been BACR members or members-elect for at least one year are eligible to receive funding under this scheme.

More information about this award is available [here](#). The deadlines for this award are 28 February, 30 June and 31 October annually.

Microsoft Corporation: European PhD Scholarship Programme

Microsoft Research invites applications from universities for its European PhD scholarships. This programme is aimed at recognising and supporting exceptional students who show the potential to make an outstanding contribution to science. The programme will support students in computing and those working at the intersection of computing and the sciences. Only applications in one of the following research areas will be considered:

- computational biological sciences, including computational biology, computational ecology and environment science and natural computation;
- computer-mediated living, including integrates systems, sensors and devices, and socio-digital systems;
- constraint reasoning;
- machine learning and perception, including applied games, computer vision, medical imaging, information retrieval, and machine learning;
- programming principles and tools, including security;
- systems and networking, including distributed systems, networking, and operating systems.

Microsoft will usually only consider one application per university department or per laboratory of a national research institution. The student, who can be of any nationality, should not have completed more than one year of their PhD by the time they are selected by their respective supervisor. Each Microsoft scholar will be awarded a bursary of up to 33,000 euros per year for a maximum of three years. Payment will be made to the university. In addition, every scholar will receive a laptop with a selection of software applications.

More information about this scholarship is available [here](#). The deadline for this application is 12 midnight GMT, 10 September 2008. Our internal deadline will be Friday 1 August 2008.

UK Sport: Ideas for Innovation - New Researchers Award

UK Sport is inviting applications for its Ideas for Innovation New Researchers Award from undergraduate or first year Masters-level students that are studying engineering, science, technology or

medicine and have completed a research project with either a direct or indirect relevance to elite sport performance. Eight students selected from the competing 13 universities (which include Oxford) will win £500. For an exceptional piece of research, up to £25,000 funding may be made available for the student to undertake a further year of university based research at their current institution.

For further information, including details of the Oxford nomination process, may be found [here](#). The departmental deadline is 22 May 2008.

British Federation of Women Graduates: Emergency Grants

An Emergency Grant is not a 'top up' award - all students are short of money. You must show in your application how you had made provision for your living expenses for the whole academic year. Emergency Grants are not available for a shortfall in fees.

The Emergency Grant scheme is intended to help those women graduate students who are faced with financial difficulties because of unforeseen and unexpected circumstances beyond their control which might prevent the completion of their year's work.

Information about the grant is available [here](#). The deadline for this grant was 21 February 2008. Our internal deadline was Thursday 7 February 2008.