Fellowships for Postgraduate Study

THE UNITED KINGDOM AND IRELAND AND MORE!
What are these fellowships?
Scholarships for graduate study!
Make sure graduate degree is something you want/need
Who should I talk to?

Don’t be shy!!

- Professors
- Academic Mentors
- Former fellowship winners
- TFs and Graduate Affiliates
- DUS/Major Adviser
- Professional Mentors
- RC Resident Fellows
- Friends and Family
- Grad School Advisers in OCS

Yale Fellowships and Funding
They do things a little differently across the Atlantic…

- Terminal Master’s degrees in 1-2 years
  - Two tracks: TAUGHT and RESEARCH
  - Test the waters before PhD!
- New perspective: some disciplines look very different
- Only a few hours of lecture/seminar a week
- Libraries closed evenings and weekends
- Degree courses have different names: MPhil, DPhil, MSt – use our ‘de-coding’ advice
- MORE focused….LESS structured…
Yale Fellowships and Funding

The University of Dublin
Graduate Study in the UK and Ireland

Applying for Fellowships for Postgraduate Study in Britain or Ireland

http://funding.yale.edu/fellowships/graduate-study-uk-ireland
RESEARCH EXCELLENCE FRAMEWORK 2014

➢ Shows where the best work is being done at universities in the UK

➢ Times Higher Education Supplement

➢ Link on our website

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For study at Oxford
- Up to 3 years of funding – OK to do second BA!
- US, Canadian and Global Rhodes require Yale nomination
- 21 other countries/regions to apply through
- **NEW: GLOBAL RHODES**

**What makes a strong candidate – what are the criteria?**
- Energy to use one’s talents to the full!
- Truth, courage, kindliness, unselfishness
- Moral force of character and instincts to lead
- High scholarly attainments

NO HELP ALLOWED ON RHODES PERSONAL STATEMENT AT ALL!!
For graduate study at ANY university in the UK and N. Ireland
- 1 year or 2 year Marshall – funding can be extended for 3 years
- Requires Yale nomination
- U.S citizens only

What makes a strong candidate – what are the criteria?
- High academic achievement – 3.7 min GPA to apply, compelling reason to be in the UK, deep familiarity with institution & degree choice
- Leadership Potential: Ability to deliver results, strength of purpose, creativity, self-awareness
- Ambassadorial Potential: Knowledge of US/UK Relations, ability to engage with others, self-confidence, transferable extra-curriculars

You can get all the help you want with the essays!
➢ For graduate study at any university in Ireland OR Northern Ireland
➢ One year of study funded in any discipline
➢ Requires Yale nomination if you apply as a rising senior: you can apply directly as an alumnus
➢ Can apply up to age 30 – U.S. citizens only

Criteria for the fellowship:
• Scholarship – minimum 3.7 GPA to apply
• Leadership
• Sustained commitment to community and public service

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What else are they looking for?

➢ Real knowledge of the institution AND the degree program

➢ Commitment to make a difference in the world – seriousness of purpose

➢ Evidence of deep thinking about who you are now
  ➢ What is your case for the fellowship?
  ➢ What is your narrative?

➢ How will you connect the fellowship experience to what comes next?

➢ LOGISTICAL STUFF: Time of graduation, age, citizenship
What should I be doing now?

1. Research your options!
2. Think seriously about Plan B, C, D...
3. Talk to possible recommenders
4. Make an appointment to see the UK Fellowships Advisor
5. Get organized – make a spreadsheet!
6. Start writing
Yalies who’ve been there and done that

Fellowships are competitive, but it is by no means impossible to win one.

Find out who won which fellowships in 2016-17, 2015-16, 2014-15, 2013-14, and 2012-13. Most Yalies who have won fellowships in the past are very happy to share their advice with students thinking of applying for fellowships. Read below the helpful—and interesting—things they have to say, from advice about the application process to their reflections upon the completion of their fellowships.

Where can undergraduate fellowships take you? Read what Andrés Bustamante, BK ’15, has to say.

“...You have to be willing to give yourself a chance. Of all the fellowships I applied for this cycle, the [one I won] seemed the least likely.

— Travis Gildado, TC ’12

Considering applying for a Yale fellowship?

Read about what Yalies who have won Yale-funded fellowships did with their fellowships and what they have to say about those experiences. Be inspired to write your own proposal.

Read Student Reports >

https://funding.yale.edu/applying/hear-other-yalies
Preparing a Fellowship Application

To apply for fellowship funding to support a purposeful activity, you will need to prepare a fellowship application. Your fellowship application will comprise all or some elements of the following:

- Fellowship proposal
- Budget
- Resume
- Letter of recommendation
- Language evaluation
- Yale transcript

https://funding.yale.edu/applying/how-apply
Daunted?
Make an Appointment

Come talk with us

One-on-one advising appointments with Fellowship Programs advisers are available throughout the calendar year. They are 30 minutes in length and take place during office hours. Appointments can take place in person, via telephone or via Skype.

Check our calendar of events for details about group advising, workshops, and upcoming application deadlines.

What topics can I discuss with an adviser?

Why am I required to attend an information session and complete a questionnaire?

[Link to make appointment](funding.yale.edu/contact/make-appointment)