

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

OXFORD-AUSTRALIA SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE

James Fairfax - Oxford Australia Fund Scholarships

1. The Awards

Scholarships, funded through the generosity of Australians who have studied at Oxford, and in particular Mr James Fairfax AC, will be available in 2014-2015 for graduates from Australia to study for **one** postgraduate or **one** Second BA degree at Oxford University.

The James Fairfax - Oxford Australia Fund Scholarship is open to any discipline and is generally tenable for two years, or, in the case of a D Phil degree, for three years. The scholarship is also intended for those wishing to study for a second undergraduate degree or a graduate degree in the Arts or Social Sciences.

Normally, the scholarship is intended for undergraduate and graduate students, currently studying or working in Australia, to pursue their first international degree.

2. Eligibility

The scholarships are open to Australian citizens, normally resident in Australia, normally under the age of 30 years on 1 January in the year in which the scholarship is to be taken up. They should hold a Bachelor's degree with first class honours, or its equivalent, from a recognised Australian university.

It is the responsibility of each applicant to ensure that their qualifications meet the requirements of their chosen Oxford University course.

3. Value of the Awards

The scholarships provide up to \$12,000 per annum in the year 2014-15.

Successful candidates may hold other awards with the approval of the Committee. In the case of scholars winning an additional scholarship to Oxford, the James Fairfax Oxford Australia Scholarship Committee will want to know from the scholars its value and may wish to withhold an amount from the James Fairfax - Oxford Australia award.

4. Application Procedure

i. The Oxford University online application requires full documentary evidence of relevant academic performance and reports from three referees. Candidates must also include a statement describing their reasons for applying for this course of study and the Oxford Australia Award and also outline their future career plans and intentions.

Second BA

ii. Candidates for a Second BA degree must first apply to Oxford through UCAS (www.ucas.com) as described on the Oxford Undergraduate Admissions webpage by 15 October 2013. Once offered a place candidates should then apply to Oxford Australia in December (check Oxford University website www.ox.ac.uk for details, when available, of procedure and exact closing date).

Graduate degrees

- iii. Candidates for a Scholarship must apply at the same time as they apply for admission to the University by selecting 'Oxford Australia Scholarship Fund' in the Funding Section of the University's online Graduate Application Form at www.graduate.ox.ac.uk/applyonline.
- iv. All graduate applications to Oxford University are automatically considered for a Clarendon Award (www.clarendon.ox.ac.uk).

5. Closing dates and timelines

Oxford University admissions application deadline 2 (check latest deadlines at http://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/postgraduate_courses/apply/application_guide.html from September 2013).

A shortlist of candidates for the scholarship will be drawn up during March/April 2014 and interviews, if needed, will be organised by the Oxford Australia Fund Scholarships Committee, to be held in Australia in April/May.