

# FELIX SCHOLARSHIPS 2015

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD / UNIVERSITY OF READING /  
SCHOOL OF ORIENTAL AND AFRICAN STUDIES, UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

## Notes for Applicants

1. Up to six Felix Scholarships will be offered at each of the three institutions above for Indian graduates taking up places in September/October 2015 for:
  - (i) Taught postgraduate Master's courses (MSc, MAgSc, MA, LL.M, etc.) = 1 or 2 academic years or
  - (ii) Master's degrees by research (MPhil) = 2 academic years or
  - (iii) Doctoral degrees by research (PhD/DPhil) = 3 academic years

Please note that not all of the above programmes are available at each institution.

Felix Scholarships are intended for scholars who would be unable, without financial assistance, to take up their place and who have not studied outside their home country. You should ensure that you apply for the correct course, as applications for an extension of a course or other additional funding will **not** be considered. Candidates must not, once installed at the relevant university, apply for any scholarship that would interfere with the tenure of the Felix Scholarship.

2. Application for a Felix Scholarship can be made through only **one** of the three academic institutions. Candidates must already have submitted a formal application for admission through one of the institutions before applying for a Felix Scholarship.
3. Felix Master's alumni who have obtained a Distinction can apply for a PhD/DPhil Felix scholarship. Exactly the same criteria and application process will apply to Felix Master's alumni as apply to any other candidate applying for a PhD/DPhil scholarship. Only one such scholarship will be granted to each university per year. Candidates should take into account the fact that because the results of Master's examinations are notified after the commencement of an academic year, it is possible there will be a one-year gap between finishing a Master's course and commencing a PhD/DPhil course.
4. Candidates must apply direct to either Oxford or Reading or SOAS for admission to the course they wish to study. Detailed advice on such matters as course application forms, arrangements for fieldwork, etc., will be available on request from any of the three institutions (but about their own courses only). Applications for admission to courses should be submitted as early as possible.
5. The Felix Scholarships will cover full fees, living costs, a return air fare, and provide additional allowances for books, equipment, warm clothing etc. Spouses' costs will not be met. **Candidates must be Indian nationals and not currently be living or studying outside of India and must have not previously studied for one year or more outside India. Candidates must have at least a first class Bachelor's degree from an Indian university or comparable institution. Exceptionally those with an upper second-class degree at the Bachelor's level may be considered if they hold a first class degree at the Master's level. Those who already hold degrees from universities outside India are not eligible to apply. Those who already hold a Master's Degree cannot apply for a Master's Degree scholarship. Those who already hold a PhD/Phil cannot apply for a PhD/DPhil scholarship. Those who have already taken up a scholarship to pursue PhD studies at an Indian university are also not eligible for a Felix Scholarship.**

## 6. SUBJECTS

**Oxford:** Archaeology, Anthropology, Applied Statistics, Biochemistry, Biophysics, Chemistry, Computation, Development Economics, Development Studies, Earth Sciences, Economics, Education, Engineering, English, Ethnology and Museum Ethnography, European Literature, Fine Art, Forestry, Geography, History, Human Biology, Law, Management Studies, Mathematics, Materials, Medicine, Microbiology, Music, Oriental Studies, Pharmacology, Philosophy, Physics, Physiological Sciences, Plant Sciences, Politics and International Relations, Psychology, Social Policy and Social Work, Sociology, Statistics, Theology, Zoology.

**Reading:** Agriculture, Policy and Development, Archaeology, Biological Sciences, Business Informatics and Systems, Chemistry, Classics, Clinical Language Sciences, Computer Science, Construction Management and Engineering, Cybernetics, Economics, Education, Electronic Engineering, English Language and Applied Linguistics, English Literature, Environmental Sciences, Film, Theatre and Television, Finance and Capital Markets, Fine Art, Food Biosciences, French Studies, International Business and Strategy, Italian Studies, Law, Leadership, Organisation and Behaviour, Marketing and Reputation, Mathematics and Statistics, Meteorology, Pharmacy, Philosophy, Politics and International Relations, Psychology, Real Estate and Planning, Typography.

**SOAS:** Anthropology, Economics, History, Law, Linguistics, Music, Politics, Development Studies, Area Studies, Asian and African Languages/Literature, Art and Archaeology, Religious Studies, Media Studies, Financial and Management Studies, Cultural Literary & Postcolonial Studies, International Studies & Diplomacy, Gender Studies

## 7. Candidates should note that an application can be made to only one institution.

Candidates for the Felix Scholarships at **Oxford** should **not** complete the application form as eligible applicants will be identified automatically from the information they provide in the University's Application Form for Graduate Study when applying for admission to their course. Candidates selected for interview must also complete a short questionnaire. This will be sent to them when they are short listed for interview.

<b>Oxford:</b>	Graduate Admissions and Funding	Tel: (0)1865 270059, Fax: (0)1865 270077 University of Oxford Wellington Square Oxford OX1 2JD, UK.
	Web address:	<a href="http://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/graduate">www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/graduate</a>
	Online enquiries:	<a href="http://www.graduate.ox.ac.uk/aq">www.graduate.ox.ac.uk/aq</a>

Candidates for the Felix Scholarships at **Reading** must complete application forms. The completed application form (together with only the supporting material **specifically** requested in the application form) should be returned to the address given below. There is no need to send additional supporting material with the scholarship application form.

<b>Reading:</b>	The Graduate School	Tel: (0)118 378 6169, Fax: (0)118 378 4252 University of Reading Old Whiteknights House Reading RG6 6AH, UK.
	Web address:	<a href="http://www.reading.ac.uk/gs-felix.aspx">www.reading.ac.uk/gs-felix.aspx</a>
	E-mail address:	<a href="mailto:c.robson@reading.ac.uk">c.robson@reading.ac.uk</a>

Candidates for the Felix Scholarships at **SOAS** should **not** complete application form. Instead they should follow the application procedure detailed at the link below:  
<https://www.soas.ac.uk/registry/scholarships/felix-scholarships.html>

**SOAS:** The Scholarships Officer  
Registry, SOAS  
Thornhaugh Street  
Russell Square  
London WC1H 0XG, UK.

Tel: (0)20 7074 5091, Fax: (0)20 7074 5089

Web address:

[www.soas.ac.uk/registry/scholarships](http://www.soas.ac.uk/registry/scholarships)

E-mail address:

[scholarships@soas.ac.uk](mailto:scholarships@soas.ac.uk)

8. The closing dates for the receipt of Felix Scholarship application forms are as follows:-

**Reading:** 30 January 2015

**SOAS:** Candidates for the Felix Scholarships at **SOAS** should **not** complete the Felix application form. Instead they should follow the application procedure detailed at the link: <https://www.soas.ac.uk/registry/scholarships/felix-scholarships.html> by the Application Deadline of 30 January 2015.

**Oxford:** Candidates applying to the University of Oxford do not need to complete the Felix application form but must have applied for their chosen course of study by the appropriate January Application Deadline. These vary slightly between courses, so applicants should visit the University's online course pages at <http://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/graduate/courses> to check the relevant January Application Deadline for their course.

Only those candidates who have been accepted for admission will be considered for short listing. Short listing by all three universities will take place in March and April 2015.

9. Short listed candidates will be invited for interview in India between April and June 2015. Candidates cannot be considered for an award without an interview.
10. Candidates who are interviewed and subsequently offered a Felix Scholarship for entry in September/October 2015 are not permitted to defer the award. Any scholars unable to commence at the academic institution concerned for the session 2015-16 will lose his/her scholarship.
11. Felix Scholarship scholars are expected to complete their course of study within the time frame set by the individual universities. It is anticipated that scholars should be able to accumulate, by proper financial management, enough savings from the maintenance allowances paid to personally fund any extension required in order to complete their course.
12. It is anticipated that scholars who undertake extended fieldwork trips during their course of study should be able to accumulate, by proper financial management, enough savings from the maintenance allowances paid during fieldwork trips to personally fund all expenses incurred in order to facilitate their fieldwork.
13. It is a condition of the Felix Scholarship that candidates, when accepting a scholarship, undertake to return to their country of origin on completion of their course of study so as to make a contribution to that country. Each candidate will be expected to sign a letter of undertaking to this effect.