Distinguished Scholarships and Fellowships

Gates Cambridge Scholarship
Application Deadline: Mid October

Overview

- Founded from a donation of $210 Million from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
  - Aim is to build a global network of future leaders to improving the lives of others
- Awards applicants with the opportunity to learn at the University of Cambridge
- Provides full funding to pursue a full-time postgraduate degree
  - University Composition Fee
  - Allowance up to 17,500 pounds per 12 months
  - Travel costs (airfare, visa, etc.)
  - Additional cost of living/academic fees
- Recipients can pursue any Doctorate or Masters offered by the University of Cambridge

Eligibility Requirements

- A citizen of any country outside of the United Kingdom
- Applying to study full-time residential courses at the University of Cambridge
  - 1 or 2 year Masters
  - PhD 3 years (a 4th year of funding may be received if needed)

Application Materials

- Online application
- Gates Cambridge looks for four qualities in the ideal candidate:
  - Outstanding intellectual ability
  - Leadership potential
  - A commitment to improving the lives of others
  - A good fit between qualification and aspirations to their chosen program
- Essay - 3000 characters
- CV/Resume
- PhD Applicant - Research Proposal
- References
  - Two academic
  - One personal reference about fit with the scholarship
- Shortlisted applicants will have to participate in a 20-25 minute interview with a trust representative and two academic representatives (usually includes a Gates Cambridge alum)
  - In-person or Skype if necessary

To begin the process of applying, or to learn additional information, please contact Career Education and Development at 724-738-2028