

**STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES FUND (SOF)  
POSTGRADUATE (MASTERS) AWARDS 2009-2010**

**GUIDANCE NOTES FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS**

**1. Description of award**

The Fund will provide partial funding for overseas (non-EU) and UK-home candidates to undertake a one-year Masters course at Imperial College on a full-time basis commencing in October 2009. Selection will be based on a combination of academic excellence and financial need; for this reason applicants must summarise their financial circumstances clearly in Section 7 of the application form which follows these notes.

Please note that the quality of applications is always very high and there are only a small number of awards available; just four were awarded to overseas students and three to UK-home students in 2008-09. We are also unable to offer a non-faculty award at this time to UK-home students: your course must be based within the Engineering, Natural Sciences or Medicine Faculty to be eligible for an award.

**2. Value of the award**

The award will provide a minimum maintenance allowance of £12,000 to be paid out in twelve monthly instalments of £1,000 over the academic session. The award does not cover tuition fees and cannot be used to remit them.

**3. How to apply**

The application process for a scholarship is separate to that for academic admission to the College; please use the application form that follows these notes to apply for a SOF award. To make your application for admission to the College, please follow the online link at: <http://www3.imperial.ac.uk/pgprospectus/applicationforms>

**4. Making your scholarship application**

The SOF application deadline is Monday, **01 June 2009**. Please note that only candidates who hold a formal offer of admission to Imperial College by Friday, 29 May 2009 will be considered for the next stage of selection. Incomplete applications and those without offers at this date will not be eligible for further consideration.

Please complete the Student Opportunities Fund application form and return it by e-mail to: [scholarships@imperial.ac.uk](mailto:scholarships@imperial.ac.uk) or post to:

Registry: Student Financial Support (SOF Application)  
Imperial College London  
Level 3, Sherfield Building  
South Kensington Campus  
London SW7 2AZ

**4. Selection process**

- Early June 2009 - departments/divisions are asked to nominate one candidate for the award
- Late June 2009 – applications are shortlisted by Heads of Faculties.
- July 2009 - final decisions are made by the Student Opportunities Fund Committee; applicants and departments are notified of outcomes.

For office use only:	Name:	CID No:	Dept:
	Nationality:	Offer: Yes / No	Date:

## IMPERIAL COLLEGE LONDON

### STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES FUND (SOF) APPLICATION FORM POSTGRADUATE ADVANCED COURSE 2009-10

This form should be completed using typewrite or black ink and returned by e-mail to: [scholarships@imperial.ac.uk](mailto:scholarships@imperial.ac.uk), or by post to:  
Registry: Student Financial Support, Imperial College London, South Kensington, London SW7 2AZ not later than: **Monday, 01 June 2009**

**This form is not an application form for admission to the College, for which a separate PG1 form must also be completed**  
(see <http://www3.imperial.ac.uk/pgprospectus/applicationforms>)

#### 1. PERSONAL DETAILS

SURNAME (Family Name) in BLOCK letters:		FIRST NAMES in BLOCK letters:		Title ( Mr, Mrs, Miss, Dr. etc)
Date of Birth:		Country of Birth:		Nationality:
Day:	Month:	Year:		
Personal Status (specify married, cohabiting etc):	Gender:	Dependants who will live with you (specify wife, one child etc):	Fee Status: <u>must</u> be <b>Overseas or Home (not EU)</b>	
Address for correspondence (we will use this to confirm the outcome of your application):				Telephone Number:
Permanent Home Address (if different from above):				Email address:

#### 2. PROPOSED COURSE DETAILS

Department/Division to which you have applied:	Admissions Reference number (if known):	Date of commencement: <b>05 October 2009</b>
Advanced Course (MSc/MRes/MBA) in:		
Have you been accepted by the College; please circle: Yes / No		
If your acceptance is conditional, please state the conditions you still have to fulfil:		

#### 3. QUALIFICATIONS

Degree/Diploma title:	Class of honours (or GPA):	Main subject (s):	Length of course (dates of attendance):	Name of University/College:	Date of award (month and year):

#### 4. PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Name of Professional Body:	Type or class of membership:	Date attained:
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#### 5. INDUSTRIAL/PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (A CONTINUOUS RECORD FROM GRADUATION TO DATE IS REQUIRED)

Name of Employer:	Place of Employment:	Position held/nature of work:	Dates From:                      To:
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#### 6. OTHER AWARDS/PRIZES

Institution:	Award/Prize:	Nature of Award/Prize:	Date awarded:
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#### 7. REASON FOR APPLICATION

Please use this section to summarise your financial situation; please explain why you wish to study your chosen course, how this relates to your career ambition and why you would be unable to take up your place without financial assistance. Continue on a separate sheet if necessary, but do not exceed 500 words.

#### 8. STATEMENT OF APPLICANT

I declare that the information I have given is correct to the best of my knowledge; I understand that giving false information will automatically disqualify my application. If selected, I agree to abide by the advertised conditions of the award.

Signed:

Date:

Print Name:

Admissions Reference number (if known):

(If you are sending this form via email please type your name in this space.)