**The Yusuf Ali Scholarship**

The Yusuf Ali Fund was established in 1956, following the death of Mr Yusuf Ali. Its purpose then was to assist University of London students from India and Pakistan. Today, we are honoured to offer the Yusuf Ali Scholarship to students of Indian, Pakistani and Bangladeshi descent to enable them to study on one of the campus-based taught and research postgraduate programmes offered by the Institute of Commonwealth Studies and the Human Rights Consortium at the School of Advanced Study, University of London. Currently, these are the MA in Understanding and Securing Human Rights and its pathway in the Human Rights of Latin America, as well as research degrees at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies and Human Rights Consortium.

Awards will range in value between £3,000 and £7795, depending on the financial need of applicants. The decision to make an award will be dependent on the excellence of the applicant’s academic and professional experience. The total amount awarded to any applicants is at the discretion of the selection panel.

**Deadline for applications**

The deadline for applications is 23:59 (UK time), 30 April 2024. Any applications received after this time may not be considered. In order to apply, the applicant must fill in and return the form attached below.

**Mode of disbursement**

Following the offer of an award, the awardee(s) will have ten working days to accept the award and their place on their chosen degree programme, if they have not done so already, after which it will be deemed to be withdrawn.

The award will ordinarily be applied against the tuition fees owed by the applicant to the Institute in the first instance, with the remainder (if applicable) being disbursed to the applicant at the start of the academic year. The applicant is expected to the application fee directly.

If an alternative mode of disbursement is required, the applicant should contact the Institute to arrange this. Strictly no disbursement of any kind will be made prior to the awardee having registered in person on the relevant School of Advanced Study Registration Day. If the awardee does not register on this day without good reason the Institute retains the right to withdraw the award. Failure to regularly attend classes, advisory meetings or similar, or to pay any relevant tuition fees will result in the withdrawal of the award.

**Eligibility**

* Applicants must be of Indian, Pakistani and/or Bangladeshi descent.
* Applicants must have applied to study on a campus-based Master’s or MPhil/PhD programme at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies or Human Rights Consortium by the application deadline of 30 April 2024 . Currently the eligible programmes are the MA in Understanding and Securing Human Rights and its pathway in the Human Rights of Latin America, as well as research degrees at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies and the Human Rights Consortium. The Award cannot be used to undertake any other programme of study, including other degree programmes at the School of Advanced Study or University of London.
* This award is only available for students undertaking full-time studies at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies and Human Rights Consortium.
* Please note that all applicants will need to adhere to the School of Advanced Study and Institute’s entrance requirements and English language competency requirements.

**Criteria of the award**

Offers of an award are made on the basis of the following criteria:

* The excellence of the applicant’s academic and/or professional experience relevant to the degree being applied for.
* The extent to which the applicant makes a specific, rather than a general, case for financial support.
* The extent to which the applicant demonstrates that they will be able to meet any other costs arising from their programme of study which are not covered by the Award.

**Application form**

Please note that, in order to be eligible for this award, you must have already applied for a place on the MA in Understanding and Securing Human Rights offered by the Institute of Commonwealth Studies and Human Rights Consortium or a research degree at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies or Human Rights Consortium. This application form is for the Yusuf Ali Scholarship only and is not a substitute for the full SAS application. The Yusuf Ali Scholarship is open to full-time students only.

**About you**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Full name** |  |
| **Address** |  |
| **Contact telephone number** |  |
| **Email address** |  |

**Degree applied for:**  
 MA in Understanding and Securing Human Rights  
 MA in Understanding and Securing Human Rights (Latin America pathway)   
 MPhil/PhD

**Fee status:** Home (UK)  
 Home (EU)  
 Overseas

**Mode of Study:**

Full-time  
 Part-time

**Please list any past or current prizes, bursaries, awards or scholarships awarded on the basis of academic merit and/or financial hardship**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Name of awarding body** | **Name of award** | **Value of award (£)** | **Date awarded (dd/mm/yyyy)** | **Purpose of award (tuition fees, maintenance, prize etc)** |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |

**Other funding**Please list any other funding you intend to apply for, have already applied for, or already secured, including any other funding schemes at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies or School of Advanced Study.

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Name of awarding body** | **Value of award per year (£)** | **Status** | **Notification date (dd/mm/yyyy)** | **Purpose of award (tuition fees, maintenance, prize etc)** |
|  |  | Choose an item. |  |  |
|  |  | Choose an item. |  |  |
|  |  | Choose an item. |  |  |
|  |  | Choose an item. |  |  |

**Personal income**Please provide details of any previous or current employment.

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Position held** | **Employer** | **Start Date** | **End date** |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |

**Other personal income/support**Please list any sources of personal income (e.g. savings, social security benefits, career development loans etc) which will be available to you during the course of the degree programme.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Source** | **Annual value (£) (2024-25)** |
|  |  |
|  |  |

**Other sources of support**Please provide details of any individuals or organizations who will contribute towards your fees and living costs (e.g. parents or other family members, employers etc) during the course of the degree programme.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Source** | **Annual Value (£) (2024-25)** |
|  |  |
|  |  |

**Do you intend to work while studying?**

Yes, full time   
 Yes, part-time  
 No

**If you intend to work while studying, please provide a reasonable estimate of how much you expect to earn during your studies (please calculate for academic year 2024-2025 only).**

|  |
| --- |
| **£** |

**Obligations**Please detail any existing financial obligations or costs (e.g. support for dependents, medical bills, loan repayments) which will impact on your circumstances during the course of the degree programme.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Nature of obligation** | **Annual cost (£) (2024-25)** |
|  |  |
|  |  |

**Total amount applied for (GBP):**Please note the maximum value of the award is £7795.00.

|  |
| --- |
| **£** |

**Personal statement (up to 500 words)**Please indicate why you wish to undertake the postgraduate programme applied for

|  |
| --- |
|  |

**Financial circumstances (up to 500 words)**Please explain your financial circumstances not covered by the fields above and why receiving this scholarship would be important for you. **It is essential that you explain how you would cover any fee or maintenance costs not covered by the Scholarship.**

|  |
| --- |
|  |

**CV**

Please attach your CV.

**Declaration**

I confirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this form is accurate and complete. I will inform the School of Advanced Study as soon as possible of any scholarships, grants or awards I am offered by any external bodies or by the School of Advanced Study.

**Signature:   
  
Date:**

Please return this application form as an attachment by emailing the Institute Manager at [ics@sas.ac.uk](mailto:ics@sas.ac.uk).