

## **Desmond Tutu Scholarship 2016-17**

**Important: please read these guidance notes very carefully before completing the form.**

If you still require clarification before submitting your application form please contact [funding@kcl.ac.uk](mailto:funding@kcl.ac.uk)

### **What is the Desmond Tutu Scholarship?**

King's College London is very pleased to announce the establishment of this award, as part of the King's Scholars schemes for 2016 entry. King's is dedicated to the advancement of knowledge, learning and understanding in the service of society. We look for students who are pursuing higher learning so that they can play a part in making the world a better place.

There will be a total of 24 scholarships available to all students starting undergraduate study at King's College London in September 2016. Each scholarship will be paid as a cash bursary of £1000 and scholars will be invited to a number of events throughout the year including a welcome dinner for all Desmond Tutu scholars hosted by the VP Education. Students wishing to apply for the scholarship must have received an offer to study at King's and must submit an essay to the Student Funding Office by 17:00 GMT Friday 1 April 2016.

The Desmond Tutu Scholarship is one of the new King's Scholars Scholarship programmes which will directly benefit students entering higher education in 2016-17. Winners of the Desmond Tutu Scholarship will be ineligible for any other purely merit-based King's scholarship. There are a total of 24 scholarships available, each worth **£1,000 for Home/EU/International students**.

### **How much is the Desmond Tutu Scholarship?**

Every successful International applicant will receive £1,000 as a cash bursary in their first year of study.

### **Am I eligible to apply?**

All full-time undergraduate students starting at King's in 2016, who do not hold a first degree from a UK, EU or other international institution, are eligible to apply. The scholarships will be merit based and evaluated by essay submission and consideration of your curriculum vitae (CV). There is no means testing of applicants.

The following selection criteria will additionally be applied to each applicant:

**In order to be eligible\* to apply for the Desmond Tutu Scholarship, students must:**

- *not hold a first degree from a UK, EU or other international institution;*
- *not be NHS-funded in their first year of study;*
- *must be undertaking a first degree;*
- *will only be considered if you are subsequently confirmed as holding an offer from King's;*
- *submit an essay, not to exceed 1,000 words, titled: "How do you think an education at King's College London would help you to serve society once you graduate?"*
- *submit a copy of your curriculum vitae (CV) which demonstrates existing work in service to society.*

### **How is essay evaluated?**

The word limit is 1,000 words.

The essay title is: ***How do you think an education at King's College London would help you to serve society once you graduate?***

The criteria for evaluation of the essay:

- *the academic merit of the assignment – a clear and fluent style with a well focused and structured argument;*
- *an understanding and exposition of how skills learnt at the College will be able to translate into action to serve society.*

**The closing date for applications is 5pm on Friday 1 April 2016.**

**What should I do with my completed application?**

Completed essays, applications and CVs should be saved as pdf and/or word documents and emailed to [funding@kcl.ac.uk](mailto:funding@kcl.ac.uk) using the following naming formats:

- *"SURNAME, Forename - Desmond Tutu Application"*
- *"SURNAME, Forename - Desmond Tutu Essay"*
- *"SURNAME, Forename - Desmond Tutu CV"*

Only electronic copies of the essays, applications and CVs will be accepted. Don't forget to send all three files!

**When will I know the outcome of my application?**

Successful applicants will be notified if they are successful by 30 April 2016. Applications for scholarships are welcome from applicants for programmes but only applicants who hold an offer at King's by 31 March 2016 will be considered for scholarships.

**Part 1: Personal Details**

KCL student number (if known)	<input type="text"/>
Surname	<input type="text"/>
Forenames (in full)	<input type="text"/>
Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	<input type="text"/>
Age on 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept 2016	<input type="text"/>
Country of Ordinary Residence	<input type="text"/>
Tuition Fee Status	Home / EU / International
E-mail Address	<input type="text"/>

**Part 2: Course Applied for**

Which course will you be undertaking at King's?	<input type="text"/>
Qualification (e.g. BSc, LLB, MBBS)	<input type="text"/>
Expected Course Completion Date	<input type="text"/>
Have you completed a previous degree, or are you currently on a degree level course?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

**Part 3: Essay and CV Submission**

Please provide an essay titled:

*"How do you think an education at King's College London would help you to serve society once you graduate?"*

The essay should not exceed 1,000 words. Completed essays should be saved as a pdf or word document and emailed to [funding@kcl.ac.uk](mailto:funding@kcl.ac.uk) using the naming format "SURNAME, Forename - Desmond Tutu Essay".

Only electronic copies of the essays will be accepted.

You should also send an electronic copy of your Curriculum Vitae (CV) which demonstrates your existing work in service to society named as "SURNAME, Forename - Desmond Tutu CV".

Don't forget to send back the application form as well.

**Part 4: Declarations**

- I declare that the information that I have given on this form is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge.
- I understand that giving false information will automatically disqualify my application and disciplinary action may ensue.
- I give permission for my application form and essay to be viewed by the short listing panel and selection committee.
- I understand that my application for this scholarship is valid only if all required information is provided by the set deadline, which includes an admissions application supported with academic transcripts and references submitted online, as required.
- I understand that if the information is not submitted my application for the scholarship will not be considered.
- By submitting this form, I agree that King's College London can process my information and keep a copy of my form for the purposes of administering the Desmond Tutu Scholarship, to collect statistics and detect and prevent fraud, in accordance with the College's Data Protection Policy.
- King's College London Marketing dept. may wish to use an excerpt from your application for marketing purposes. Your name and any information that may reveal your identity will not be included. Please indicate below whether you authorise this use. Your decision will have no impact on your scholarship application:
  - The College **may** use my application in this way
  - The College **may not** use my application in this way

your name (in capitals)

your signature

date