Scholarships and Funding Information

Hilary Term 2021
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**Key Dates in Hilary Term**

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Information about all the funding available from the College is on the [Student Awards](#) webpages.

**Thatcher Development Awards**

The selection process for [Thatcher Development Awards](#) will now take place in Trinity Term. If you would like advice about a project or emerging idea, please contact the MTST Programme Director, Claire Cockcroft, who will be happy to discuss this with you. Her email address is mtst.programme.director@some.ox.ac.uk.
The Margaret Thatcher Scholarship Trust (MTST) was established by the College to enable the most promising students to benefit from the unique education and intellectual environment that is offered by Somerville and Oxford.

The aims of the Thatcher Scholarships are to:

- Foster academic excellence
- Support individuals who have a determination to succeed and have displayed resilience in their personal circumstances
- Equip them to excel in their chosen field

Eligibility

In 2021, two Thatcher Scholarships will be awarded separately to undergraduates who meet the following criteria:

- Have Home/EU/Islands fee status
- Have achieved outstanding results in their first public examination in 2021 and have been nominated by their tutor

Scholarship benefits

The Thatcher Scholarship will cover full fees and will provide generous living and travel allowances. Scholars will also receive the living and travel allowances retrospectively for their first year and their course fees for that year will be reimbursed. For Classics students, this will apply to the first two years of their course.

Application process

Eligible students will be contacted in July 2021 with an invitation for them to apply and with more details of the selection process. Applications will be considered by a Selection Committee in September 2021 and shortlisted candidates will be invited for interview at the start of Michaelmas Term 2021.
Funding for Travel and Projects (Undergraduate)

Funding is available from Somerville towards the cost of travel and projects, whether course-related or not. The same application form is now used for the following awards:

- **Travel and Special Project Grants** to fund course-related travel and projects
- **Catherine Hughes Grants** to fund initiatives to raise aspirations, and expand horizons in the student community with a focus on intellectual curiosity and social conscience

Eligibility

All enrolled undergraduate students are eligible except:

- Students who are on suspension
- Visiting students

Award levels (Travel and Special Project Grants)

Up to £500 over the length of the course. In exceptional circumstances, it is possible to make awards above this level.

Award levels (Catherine Hughes Grants)

Up to £2,000. Priority will be given to applicants who have not received previous awards.

Application process

Students should complete the [application form](#) and email it to the Scholarships and Funding Officer with evidence of any estimated or actual costs. Applications will be forwarded to Personal Tutors for their comments. If the planned travel or project meets the criteria for both types of awards, students can apply for both using the same form.

Application deadline

Applications must be received by Monday of 2nd week (25th January).

Project deadline

The planned travel or project must start after Wednesday of 4th week (10th February). It is not possible to be considered for retrospective funding unless there are exceptional circumstances.

**Janet Treloar Travel Grant (Undergraduate)**

The Janet Treloar Travel Grant provides up to £500 to allow Somerville undergraduates to visit the Anna Akhmatova Literary and Memorial Museum in St Petersburg.

If you are interested in applying for this award, please complete the [application form](#) and email it to the Scholarships and Funding Officer.
Funding for Travel and Projects (Graduate)

Funding is available from Somerville towards the cost of travel and projects, whether course-related or not. The same application form is now used for the following awards:

- **Travel and Special Project Grants** to fund course-related travel and projects
- **Catherine Hughes Grants** to fund initiatives to raise aspirations, and expand horizons in the student community with a focus on intellectual curiosity and social conscience

Eligibility
All enrolled graduate students are eligible except:

- Students who are on suspension
- Visiting students
- Associate students
- Students beyond the fourth year of their course

Award levels (Travel and Special Project Grants)
The award levels vary depending on the course:

- Students on one year courses can apply for up to £350
- Students on two year courses can apply for up to £700
- Students on three or four year courses can apply for up to £1,000

These figures are the maximum amounts available over the length of the course. In exceptional circumstances, it is possible to make awards above these levels.

Award levels (Catherine Hughes Grants)
Up to £2,000. Priority will be given to applicants who have not received previous awards.

Application process
Students should complete the application form and email it to their Supervisor, copying in the Scholarships and Funding Officer. They should also send evidence of any estimated or actual costs to the Scholarships and Funding Officer by the same deadline. Applications will be forwarded to College Advisers for their comments. If the planned travel or project meets the criteria for both types of awards, students can apply for both using the same form.

Application deadline
Applications must be received from the Supervisor by **Monday of 2nd week (25th January)**.

Project deadline
The planned travel or project must start after **Wednesday of 4th week (10th February)**. It is not possible to be considered for retrospective funding unless there are exceptional circumstances.
Funding for Travel and Projects (Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery)

Funding is available from Somerville towards the cost of travel and projects, whether course-related or not. The same application form is now used for the following awards:

- **Travel and Special Project Grants** to fund course-related travel and projects
- **Catherine Hughes Grants** to fund initiatives to raise aspirations, and expand horizons in the student community with a focus on intellectual curiosity and social conscience

Eligibility
All enrolled BMBCH students are eligible except:

- Students who are on suspension

Award levels (Travel and Special Project Grants)
Up to £1,250 over the length of the course. In exceptional circumstances, it is possible to make awards above this level.

Award levels (Catherine Hughes Grants)
Up to £2,000. Priority will be given to applicants who have not received previous awards.

Application process
Students should complete the [application form](#) and email it to the Scholarships and Funding Officer with evidence of any estimated or actual costs. Applications will be forwarded to Personal Tutors for their comments. If the planned travel or project meets the criteria for both types of awards, students can apply for both using the same form.

Application deadline
Applications must be received by **Monday of 2nd week (25th January)**.

Project deadline
The planned travel or project **must start after Wednesday of 4th week (10th February)**. It is not possible to be considered for retrospective funding unless there are exceptional circumstances.
Sports and Wellbeing Awards

The Sports and Wellbeing Fund has been established to support the activities of Somerville students across a wide variety of sports, to promote physical activity as well as to develop and support the wellbeing of our community. Students can apply for funding to support membership and participation in University wide sports and teams. This could include the costs of kit, specialist training and attending fixtures and tours beyond Oxford.

Eligibility
Enrolled undergraduate and graduate students are eligible. Please note that the following students are not eligible:
- Students who are on suspension
- Visiting students
- Associate students
- Students who are on report or probation

Award levels
Normally up to £500.

Application process
Students should complete the application form and email it to the Scholarships and Funding Officer with evidence of any estimated or actual costs. Undergraduates should note that their Personal Tutor might be asked to comment on the application.

Application deadline
Applications must be received by Monday of 2nd week (25th January).
Other College Funding

Grants for Course Materials (Undergraduate)
The College will reimburse undergraduate students in the second year of their course for the purchase of course-related materials. Please note that visiting students and those on report or probation are not eligible. Awards of £50 are available. Students should complete the application form and return it to the Scholarships and Funding Officer with the receipts.

Grants for Course Materials (Graduate)
The College will reimburse graduate students in the first three years of their course for the purchase of course-related materials. Please note that visiting and associate students are not eligible. Awards of £100 per year are available. Students should complete the application form and return it to the Scholarships and Funding Officer with the receipts.

Grants for Medical Equipment (Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery)
The College will reimburse BMBCH students for the purchase of medical equipment. Students should complete the application form and return it to the Scholarships and Funding Officer with the receipts.

Language Centre Funding
Students can apply for a partial fee reimbursement for certain Language Centre courses. Please email the Scholarships and Funding Officer for more information.

Advice for Students in Financial Difficulties
If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact the College Accountant, Elaine Boorman for advice. Her email address is college.accountant@some.ox.ac.uk.