

**A.S.HORNBY EDUCATIONAL TRUST SCHOLARSHIPS 2020****Information for Applicants**

Thank you for your interest in applying for an A.S.Hornby Educational Trust scholarship to study for Masters in ELT at the University of Warwick in the UK between October 2020 and September 2021. The deadline for receipt of application forms is 12.00 midday UK time on Saturday 30 November.

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## The A.S.Hornby Educational Trust

The Trust was set up by A.S.Hornby in 1961 to support English language teaching worldwide. A.S.Hornby had a distinguished career in English language teaching and developed the Oxford Advanced Learners' Dictionary, which is still published in its 9th edition by Oxford University Press. The Trust is a registered charity in the UK. The Trust has supported over 300 scholars in the last 20 years.

For further information about the Hornby Trust: [www.hornby-trust.co.uk](http://www.hornby-trust.co.uk)

## Eligibility of applicants

Eligible applicants for the scholarship award must have at least three years' full-time ELT experience and a full university first degree. Warwick University also requires a currently valid score in IELTS, TOEFL, PTE. Scholars require an overall score of 6.5, with no less than 6.0 in any of the categories, and 6.5 for writing in IELTS; overall 92 and 24 for writing in TOEFL; overall 62, writing 62 in PTE. The Hornby Scholarships are intended to support experienced English language teachers who have the potential to make a significant future contribution to English language teaching and teachers in their countries. We welcome applications only from countries listed on the [DAC list](#). British Council employees are not eligible to apply in the Hornby Scholarship programme.

## What the Hornby scholarship covers

The scholarships fund study on the one-year Masters in TESOL at the University of Warwick.

The scholarships cover all the costs in the UK including a monthly stipend to cover accommodation and living expenses, tuition fees, and return air tickets, visa and approved language test costs (IELTS, TOEFL or PTE).

For further information about the Masters in TESOL at the University of Warwick, please go here: <https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/al/study/postgraduate/ma-tesol>

## The applicant selection process

Applicants are selected by a four-stage process:

1. **Online application form** - applicants submit the online application form for initial assessment
2. **Interview** - applicants who are successful at stage 1 are invited for interview at the British Council office in their country of origin. The interviews this year are planned for the week of 9 – 13 December 2019.
3. **Application to university** – applicants selected from the interview are invited to apply to the university for consideration
4. **University acceptance** - the scholarship award is confirmed with the applicant and arrangements are made to arrive in the UK to begin study by 1 October 2020

## Information you need for your application

Before you start the application, you will need to have information to complete the following sections:

### About You

Eligibility: you need to have three years' full-time English language teaching experience and a full university first degree

Your personal details: full name, date of birth, gender, nationality

Study in the UK – answers to these questions:

Have you ever studied in the UK?

Have you sat an IELTS, TOEFL or Pearson test between 1 November 2018 and the present?

If you have sat one of these language tests during that period, please state your test results:

Listening      Reading      Writing      Speaking      Overall band score

Your contact details: email address, preferred address for correspondence in your home country, country, telephone number

Employer details: name and address of your current employer

### Academic background

Details of all academic qualifications obtained since completing your secondary education: details of each qualification you have, the class or level achieved, the institution, subject and dates. Also indicate those courses which were entirely or mainly English medium – i.e. where the language of instruction or supervision was English.

### Professional background

Details of each position held since completing your tertiary education, starting from the most recent and working backwards. Give the name of the position, the organisation, and the dates you were employed.

### Referees

Details of two referees who will give references for you if you are shortlisted for interview – name, professional title or position, email address, length of time you have known the referee, and his/her professional relationship to you.

### Supporting statement

In not more than 1,500 words, please tell us why you are applying for an A S Hornby Educational Trust scholarship, ensuring that you answer the following five questions:

- Describe your current English teaching duties and responsibilities, any teacher training you have delivered, and explain whether this was with trainee or practising teachers, or both
- Why do you wish to study for an MA in TESOL at Warwick University?
- What professional experience, skills and interests would you bring to your studies?
- If you were awarded a scholarship, how would an MA in TESOL from the UK benefit you professionally on your return home?
- If you were awarded a scholarship, how would you share your learning with English language teachers in your home country on return from the UK?

## Completing the online application form

When you have gathered all your information, you can then go to the online application form and complete all the questions.

You do not have to complete the form all at once. You can save and return to it as often as you need to until the deadline.

You can access the online application here:

<https://forms.gle/VZSvkonbX6V4b6RWA>

## Frequently asked questions

Do I need to send my photo and/or documents, including IELTS certificates?	These are only required if you are shortlisted for interview.
Who should be a referee?	A referee is someone in a senior position who knows you well professionally and can provide an accurate reference about you as a professional.
I need to change my referee after submitting the application form	We will only need to contact referees if you are shortlisted for interview. We will check with you then that the details of your referees are correct.
Do I need a current IELTS, TOEFL or PTE result?	A current IELTS or other score is not required when you submit your application, but you should be confident that you have the English language proficiency required for university study in the UK. If you do have a current IELTS, TOEFL or PTE result, please enter your score on the application form. If you do not have one, and you are selected for a scholarship, we will arrange for you to take an approved language test.
What do I do if I already have a current IELTS or other language test result?	If you have a current IELTS, TOEFL, or PTE test result, please enter your score on the application form. If you are finally accepted for a scholarship and you have the valid test score required by the university, you will not need to take the language test again. The score you require for entry to the course is listed below.
Can I use another certificate instead of IELTS?	Yes. Warwick accept both TOEFL and PTE. Scholars require an overall score of 6.5, in IELTS, with no less than 6.0 in any of the categories, and 6.5 for writing. For TOEFL overall 92 and 24 for writing. For PTE overall 62, writing 62.

**Frequently asked questions continued**

Will I get a confirmation email?	You will get a confirmation email after submission of your application. We will contact you when we evaluate the application forms and inform you of the result of your application.
Can I make changes to the application form once I have completed it?	Yes, you can save the form and edit up until the deadline.
When will my referees be contacted?	We will ask you to contact referees to send us references if you are shortlisted for interview.
How many scholarships are there each year?	There are 11 scholarships available this year.
Must I have a minimum number of years of teaching experience?	Yes, we require applicants to have a minimum of three years' teaching experience.
If I am shortlisted, do I have to attend an interview in person?	If you are shortlisted for interview, you will be contacted by the British Council in your country and an interview arranged. This may be in person, if you live near the British Council office, or by phone or Skype, if distance is an issue. The interviews will be scheduled in the week of 9 December 2019.
If I am accepted for a scholarship, can I bring a partner?	There is no funding for partners and family members. The stipend for scholars is sufficient only for the scholar's own expenses in the UK. If you wish to bring a partner or family member, you will have to fund this separately and make separate visa arrangements.

**If you have any problems**

Please contact the following email address with details of your problem and we will provide an answer:

[hornbyscholarships@britishcouncil.org](mailto:hornbyscholarships@britishcouncil.org)