

AUGUST Newsletter

1. Newton Bhabha Annual PhD Placement Programme, UK

The Newton-Bhabha Fund fosters long-term sustainable research collaborations between UK and India. The fund will offer PhD scholars from India to spend a period of their study (upto two to four months) in UK.

The Expected outcomes of the Programme will include:

- building strong international networks
- building research capacity for Scholars
- increasing cultural understanding
- fostering sustainable research collaboration with institutions in both the countries

Eligibility:

- In India, the scheme is open only to Indian scholars enrolled at public-funded Indian higher education institutions with the following criteria:
 - INSPIRE PhD Senior Research Fellows (SRFs) from 2017 batch are eligible to apply for STEM and Life Sciences subjects only
 - PhD Scholars (other than INSPIRE Fellows) in second or third year of Life Sciences are eligible to apply
 - ICSSR Doctoral Fellows or registered PhD scholars (full time) studying in second or third year of PhD in Social Sciences are eligible to apply.

Application Deadline: 16 August 2020, 16.00 hours (UK Time)

Duration: April - December 2021

For more details visit: <https://www.britishcouncil.in/programmes/higher-education/newton-fund/phd-placements>

2. Shastri Institute programmes for 2020-21

Shastri programmes for the year 2020-2021 is still receiving applications!

All research related to the programmes announced will be done remotely by making use of online tools.

Based on the Shastri Institute's COVID-19 policy, proposals can be submitted for following programmes:

- Shastri Institutional Collaborative Research Grant (SICRG)
- Shastri Mobility Programme (SMP)
- Shastri Research Student Fellowship (SRSF)
- Shastri Membership Development Grant (SMDG)
- Shastri Programme Development Grant (SPDG)
- Shastri Publication Grant (SPG)
- Shastri Faculty Development Programme For Vocational Education (SFDPVE)
- Shastri Covid-19 Pandemic Response Grant (SCPRG): Call For Innovative Solutions
- Sici Membership Development Fund (SMDF)
- Mitacs-Sici Partnership: Globalink Research Award Programme

The details of the programmes are available at: www.shastriinstitute.org and in the link:

<https://www.shastriinstitute.org/grants-awards-and-opportunities-for-indian-canadian-scholars>

In case of any difficulty in submission of applications at Grant Management System (GMS), scholars can contact : siciapplications@sici.org.in

For queries related to the SMDF programmes, please write to Ms. Mahmuda Aldeen at maldeen@ucalgary.ca

Deadline: for most categories is August 17, 2020

3. Japanese MEXT scholarship for Study in Japan:

The purpose of the scholarship program is to accept excellent human resources from foreign countries to Japan, as international students, in order to promote mutual understanding with foreign countries and to form human networks to strengthen the educational and research abilities of Japanese universities, and to make international intellectual contributions.

Note: Owing to the ongoing situation related to COVID-19, there is a possibility that the application procedure could be changed or stopped at a later stage, and the Embassy may entirely cancel the selection of candidates of the scholarship programs, for the academic year 2021.

Eligibility: IITKGP Undergraduate students

Deadline: 17 August, 2020

Location: Japan

Weblink: https://www.in.emb-japan.go.jp/Education/japanese_government_scholarships.html?fbclid=IwAR23bHYbo83bR3CKO3HdDepy1yqY1imDOOgPcDBV3FpEBWadAA91o9cjSKc

4. The German Chancellor Fellowship for tomorrow's leaders

The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation is searching for the leaders of tomorrow – from Brazil, China, India, Russia, and the USA. The German Chancellor Fellowship offers an opportunity for the students to take the next career step in Germany – irrespective of their field of work.

In order to apply, the students need to develop a project idea of their own and find the host of his/her choice as a mentor. Once the host has confirmed, the students can apply for a fellowship.

Deadline: 15th September 2020.

Eligibility: All PG students

Location: Germany

Weblink: <https://www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/german-chancellor-fellowship.html?fbclid=IwAR36qyOfpbCspvNNnS06Lu-e2X8qnyWyY54ieU7ZV21LLtMtrckOO-XIIw>

5. Facebook Fellowship Program, USA

The Facebook Fellowship is a global program designed to encourage and support promising doctoral students who are engaged in innovative and relevant research in areas related to computer science and engineering at an accredited university. Students from diverse backgrounds and experiences are also encouraged to apply, especially those from traditionally underrepresented minority groups. Applications are evaluated based on the strength of the student's research statement, publication record, and recommendation letters. Winners of the Fellowship are entitled to receive two years of paid tuition and fees, a \$42,000 annual stipend to cover living and conference travel costs, a paid visit to Facebook

headquarters for the annual Fellowship Summit, and various opportunities to engage with Facebook researchers.

Deadline: 2nd October 2020, 12:00 noon PST (3rd October 2020, 12:30 am IST)

Eligibility: Ph.D. students of CSE

Weblink: https://research.fb.com/fellowship/#Research_Areas

6. India Global Leaders Scholarship University of Queensland, Australia

The India Global Leaders Scholarship is an exciting opportunity for high achieving students from India to further their studies in University of Queensland's Faculty of Business, Economics, and Law. It is designed to challenge the candidates academically and push them to develop their skills for excelling in a constantly changing and competitive business environment.

Deadline: This scholarship is offered for students commencing in Semester 1 and Semester 2. The closing date for students commencing in Semester 1 is 30 November. The closing date for students commencing in Semester 2 is 30 May.

Eligibility: Undergraduate and Post Graduate students in relevant fields.

Location: University of Queensland, Australia

Weblink: https://scholarships.uq.edu.au/scholarship/india-global-leaders-scholarship?fbclid=IwAR3vKcINQIf07QLq9VdUGe2uotemPeytmoh4nc8kbcy_uXtFuuXbj9b_bJs#qt-scholarship_tabs-foundation-tabs-1

7. Joint Ph.D Program for fresh doctoral students of IIT Kharagpur or University of Auckland:

The joint doctoral student will pursue their research under the supervision of academics in both institutions and will split their time between the two campuses. Doctoral candidates will have access to opportunities at both institutions, whether it is related to their research programme or their professional development. A single thesis will be submitted at the end which will be examined by both institutions, and if accepted by both, the student will be awarded a testamur bearing the seals of IIT Kharagpur and the University of Auckland.

We strongly encourage you to reach out to your potential collaborators at University of Auckland and identify projects and students for availing these opportunities.

Information on the DDP with Auckland may be obtained at the OIR