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Scholarships for studying in the UK, Brazil and Germany

Students can look forward to an array of scholarship opportunities in this month's newsletter: Louis Dreyfus Weidenfeld and Chevening scholarships tenable at UK institutions, scholarships at Sao Paulo in Brazil and internships focusing on African relations.

New Scholarships and Development Opportunities

DEADLINE SOON: University of Sao Paulo Scholarships for staff and students at SU

The University of São Paulo, intent on intensifying its international interaction, has made available new academic exchange opportunities to professors and students (undergraduate and graduate) of Stellenbosch University, amongst other global institutions. These will fall within the context of the USP International Grant Program and International Visiting Professor Grants. In the first case, students of SU may apply to remain at USP for a period of six to eighteen months, participating in teaching or research activities, with institutional financial backing. In order to maximize the organization and coordination of these activities, the distribution of grants for students will fall within the geographic pattern of USP's International Centers, located in four

continents, with headquarters in Boston, London, Singapore and São Paulo. As support to the initiative, USP is offering 15 grants per International Center. Professors, once they have made the request for a grant and have it approved by one of the USP departments, will receive financial support of up to 24 months as Visiting Professors. Applications will be received on an ongoing basis

- Target: SU staff and students
- Deadline: 30 October 2013
- More information: contact Ms Huba Boshoff (huba@sun.ac.za) | visit the website [here](#)

DEADLINE SOON: Chevening Scholarships for study in the UK, 2014

Chevening Scholarships are the UK government's global scholarship programme, funded by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and partner organisations.

- Deadline for applications: 15 November 2013
- More information: Read the '[Guidance for Applicants](#)' and the '[Terms and Conditions for Chevening Scholarship Awards](#)'.

Louis Dreyfus-Weidenfeld Scholarship for studies at Oxford

The Louis Dreyfus-Weidenfeld Scholarship and Leadership Programme provides outstanding postgraduate students and young professionals with the opportunity to pursue fully-funded graduate studies at the University of Oxford. The scholarship is complemented by a comprehensive programme of leadership skills development.

- **Target:** Exceptional graduate students and young professionals from emerging economies in Africa, Asia and South America with demonstrated leadership potential. Successful applicants must have an interest in serving the global community through their chosen field of work, including but not limited to, agriculture, health care, environmental and water management, economic, public and foreign policy.
- **When to apply:** 10 January 2014 for Medical Sciences, Politics and International Relations | 24 January 2014 for all other subjects
- **More information:** download the information document [here](#)

Global Studies - A European Perspective. The opportunity to study at one of several European institutions.

"Global Studies – A European Perspective" is an interdisciplinary, research-based Master's course offered by a Consortium of five European universities, that are namely: University of Leipzig (Germany), London School of Economics and Political Science (UK), University of Roskilde (Denmark), University of Vienna (Austria) and University of Wrocław (Poland) and six Non-European universities: Dalhousie University (Canada), Fudan

University (China), Jawaharlal Nehru University (India), Macquarie University (Australia), University of California at Santa Barbara (USA), University of Stellenbosch (South Africa). The Master's course combines approaches from Global History and International Studies. Cultural Studies, Area Studies, Social Sciences and other disciplines contribute to a wide ranging academic programme.

- **Target:** The Master's Course 'Global Studies' aims at excellent students with a first degree in social sciences and humanities with an interest in issues of globalisation. The minimum application requirements are a BA degree or a recognised equivalent from an accredited institution, sufficient undergraduate training to do graduate work in the chosen field, excellent written and oral command of English..
- **Deadline:** 1 December 2013
- **More information:** download the information document [here](#).

Prestigious Gates Scholarships for study at Cambridge

The Gates Cambridge Scholarships are full-cost scholarships for international students to study any subject at postgraduate level at the University of Cambridge, UK. The Scholarships are of the most prestigious scholarships in the world and the programme was set up by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation in 2000 by a donation of US\$210m. Since then, it has supported more than 1200 students from 95 countries. The aim of the program is to create a global network of future leaders committed to improving the lives of others.

- **Deadline:** 3 December 2013
- **More information:** download the information document [here](#).

Internships for postgraduates at Consultancy Africa Intelligence, 2014

The next round of Consultancy Africa Intelligence's (CAI) web-based internship programme begins in January 2014. The call for applications for the next round (1 January – 30 June 2014) can be found in the document below, and is tenable in all eleven of CAI's research units and with their Africa Conflict Monthly Monitor (ACMM) report. Successful applicants will become involved with one of CAI's eleven research units OR CAI's ACMM report, depending on their interest, experience and qualifications. The details of these two areas of internship are briefly outlined in the document below and more details can be found by visiting their website.

- **Target:** Masters and PhD students in applicable fields of study (Economics, International Relations, Journalism, Law, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, etc).
- **Deadline:** 6 December 2013
- **More information:** download the information document [here](#).

Theology bursaries at Stellenbosch University 2014

Postgraduate students in the faculty of Theology can now apply for Theology bursaries at SU.

- **Target:** Postgraduate students in Theology
- **Value of bursary:** R10, 000
- **Deadline:** 31 January 2013
- **To apply:** download the application form [here](#) |
- **For more information:** contact Ms Chantal Swartz at the Postgraduate and International Office of Stellenbosch University: cswartz@sun.ac.za

Hong Kong PhD Fellowship scheme 2014 – 2015

The Research Grants Council (RGC) of HKSAR will soon invite applications for the Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme 2015 – 2015. PhD students from all over the world will be recruited to study in Hong Kong as the scheme supports students selected through open competition. In addition to the monthly stipend of HK\$20,000 (approx. US\$2,600) and a travel allowance of HK\$10,000 (approx. US\$1,300) per year for a maximum of three years awarded by the RGC, each awardee of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University will also enjoy a 3-year tuition scholarship.

- **Target:** PhD students
- **More information:** contact Ms Iris Ko at iris.ko@polyu.edu.hk | Visit the Department website: www.ise.polyu.edu.hk

SAWIP 2014 applications open in January 2014!

The South Africa-Washington International Program (SAWIP) inspires, develops and supports a diverse new generation of young South African leaders who are committed to serving others with humility and integrity. Through a richly varied program of professional skills development, service activities and hands-on leadership opportunities, these emerging leaders establish a trust based on shared experience that transcends racial, socio-economic, religious and other boundaries.

Applications open on 18 January 2014.

- More information: contact Ms Kim Williams, SAWIP Programme Coordinator at applications@sawip.org

Previously advertised Scholarships and Development Opportunities (still tenable)

DEADLINE SOON: Swiss Government Excellence Scholarships for study in Switzerland, 2014/2015

The Swiss Government, through the Federal commission for Scholarships for Foreign Students (FSC), awards various postgraduate scholarships to foreign scholars and researchers. The scholarships provide graduates from all fields the opportunity to pursue doctoral or postdoctoral research in Switzerland at one of the public-funded universities or recognized institutions.

- **Deadline:** October 2013
- **More information:** visit the [website](#)

DEADLINE SOON: NRF Research Career Advancement Fellowship (Super Postdoc)

The Department of Science and Technology (DST) and the National Research Foundation (NRF) have announced the Research Career Advancement Fellowship call for 2014. The fellowship is aimed at strengthening research capacity and scientific research leadership in Science, Engineering and Technology by creating positions for senior postdoctoral fellows who have shown interest in furthering careers in research and academia and have demonstrated the potential ability for research leadership. For the 2014 academic year, the fellowship shall provide for a taxable salary of R350 000 p.a and a grant of up to R1000 000 p.a for research running and travel expenses.

- **Target:** South African citizens or permanent residents with a research doctorate, min. two years of post-doctoral research experience, demonstrated research outputs and are applying within eight years of obtaining a research doctorate.
- **Deadline:** 31 October 2013.
- **More information:** email [Thandi Mgwebi](#) or call 012 481 4022 | email [Yolanda Davids](#) | download the [info document](#) | download the [Grants Manual](#)
- **To apply:** email application to [Prof KR Koch](#) and formally apply on the Stellenbosch University website for 2014

DEADLINE SOON: Commonwealth Scholarships 2014

The call for Commonwealth Scholarships for 2014 is now open. Stellenbosch University (SU) has been invited to nominate a maximum of eight students who are currently registered at SU and are South African citizens. These may be in either of the following categories: one year taught master's courses or equivalent degrees (excl. MBA), six months of clinical training in medicine or dentistry, doctoral degrees up to three years duration

(UK institution), one year research on a split-site basis towards a PhD registered at SU. Successful candidates are selected according to academic merit, quality of the proposal and the most likely impact of the scholarship on national development.

- **Deadline:** 5 November 2013.
- **More information:** for more info visit the [website](#) | download the [info document](#) | email [Chantal Swartz](#)

Call for 2014 Commonwealth Split-Site Doctoral Scholarships

Students who are South African citizens and are registered students at Stellenbosch University, may apply for the scholarship to undertake one year's study in the United Kingdom, with shared supervision. The following will be covered: UK tuition, a return flight and a stipend for one year in the UK. Applications may be submitted online.

- **Target:** South African citizens enrolled as students at Stellenbosch University.
- **Deadline:** 29 November 2013.
- **More information:** download the [info document](#)

Utrecht University visiting fellowship, 2013-2014

To enhance the successful collaboration between Utrecht University (UU) and its strategic international partners, UU offers grants for Visiting Fellowships. The purpose of these Visiting Fellowships is to initiate new collaborations in education between UU and its partners and to explore and set up (externally funded) cooperation projects in education and/or research in the fields of 'Life Sciences', 'Sustainability', 'Institutions' or 'Youth and Identity'. These are the four multidisciplinary strategic themes of UU. To support a Visiting Fellowship, a maximum of €5.000 can be funded through this fellowship programme.

- **Deadline:** 1 December 2013.
- **More information:** for more info download the [application form](#) or [info document](#) | visit the [website](#) | mail [Caspar de Bok](#)

TUBITAK Fellowship for visiting scholars and academic staff on sabbatical leave

The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK) offers a range of fellowship programmes with generous scholarships for study and research in Turkey. TUBITAK is the leading agency for management, funding and the conduct of research in Turkey. The fellowship programme offers a monthly stipend of up to US\$3 500, travel costs, health insurance. The maximum fellowship duration is 12 months.

- **Target:** Scholars and academic staff who want to conduct research or teach in Turkey.
- **Deadline:** The last working day of each month.
- **More information:** visit the [website](#)

MBA Renewables online course, Beuth University of Applied Sciences

MBA Renewables, the only Master of Business Administration with a focus on renewable energies, which can be studied online, offers a broad mix of qualifications needed in the management of renewable energy companies. Applications for the course starting October are now open. After the first semester, students will spend two weeks on campus in Germany to broaden the exchange experience offered by online forums and virtual group work. The programme is offered by the Berlin-based Beuth University of Applied Sciences in cooperation with Renewables Academy (RENAC)

- **Target:** For detailed info on the course and to apply, visit [the website](#).
- **More information:** email [Silja Kroesche](mailto:Silja.Kroesche) | call 0049 3045 045 052

A*STAR Scholarships in Singapore

A*star scholarships are available as a 2 – 6 month “research internship” for registered Masters and PhD students (SIPGA). If you are a Masters student, perhaps consider the Full degree PhD scholarships (SINGA). If you are busy with your PhD, consider the 2 year ‘research abroad’ opportunity, as state of the art research facilities in Singapore (ARAP).

- **Target:** Masters and PhD students at Stellenbosch University
- **Deadline:** 30 September / 15 November / 30 November/ 31 January; depending on the scholarship opportunity
- **More information:** download the [Information Slide here](#).

TEFL Certificate course: apply now!

The Stellenbosch University Language Centre's 120-hour TEFL course prepares individuals for a life of adventure teaching English abroad. The University's TEFL certificate and an undergraduate degree will put you in good stead for an overseas EFL teaching position at either a private language school, government school or tertiary institution. Many of our TEFL trainees who successfully completed our course are teaching in countries such as Saudi Arabia, South Korea, China, Thailand as well as here in South Africa. Registration for the June course is now open, but seating is limited to a maximum sixteen trainees.

- **Target:** individuals wishing to teach English abroad.

- **Deadline:** looming; apply as soon as possible. Registration forms and course information can also be collected from the Language Centre's Unit for Afrikaans and English, 7 Bosman Street. Alternatively, go to the [language centre website](#) and download the forms and information.
- **More info:** email Melvin du Preez | visit the [website](#).

PGIO offers funding for overseas conferences

The PGIO has limited funding available for conference attendance for doctoral students in their 3rd year in 2013. The PGIO Overseas Conference Grant (OCG) is a supplementary award to attend an international conference outside of South Africa to present a paper or poster. 2nd and 3rd year doctoral students who intend to present at a conference in 2013, should take note of this opportunity. This grant is awarded on a competitive basis. Please see attached Terms and Conditions document as well as the application form.

- **Target:** 2nd and 3rd year doctoral students who intend to do presentations at conferences in 2013.
- **Deadline:** there are 3 award cycles and different deadlines: 30 March 2013, 30 June 2013, 30 September 2013
- **More information:** download the [terms and conditions](#); download the [application form](#); download the [report](#).

DAAD Staff Opportunities: Research Stays and Bilateral Exchanges in Europe

SU staff can apply for programmes that promote staff mobility: research stays and bilateral exchanges for academics and scientists.

Research stays for University Academics and Scientists

- **Application deadlines:** 1 October for stays as of February of the following year; 1 April for stays as of August. Applications must be submitted to the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany in Pretoria
- **Value:** An appropriate flat-rate travel allowance will be paid.
- **Website:** visit the [website here](#).
- **More info:** contact Dr Michael Märlein at maerlein@sun.ac.za

Bilateral Exchange of Academics

Together with the National Research Foundation (NRF) the DAAD offers a programme for the exchange of scientists.

- **Application deadline:** 1 October for stays as of February of the following year; 1 April for stays as of August.

- **Value:** The DAAD takes charge of the stay expenses in Germany.
- **Website:** visit the [website here](#).
- **More info:** contact Dr Michael Märlein at maerlein@sun.ac.za



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