

3 month Charles Wallace India Fellowship at SOAS 2011/12

Who the fellowship is for?

One fellowship is awarded annually by the Centre of South Asian Studies, SOAS and the Charles Wallace India Trust for students who have completed a PhD. Applicants must be an Indian national and be residing in India at the time the application is submitted. The fellowship will be awarded to those who would be ready to make the most of a short period of study and discussion at SOAS. Applications will be encouraged in particular from those scholars who have had no or little opportunity to do research outside India.

Who is eligible?

Indian citizens must be in the early to middle stage of their academic careers working in the fields of 'India Studies' (Arts or Humanities and Social Sciences) which are supported at SOAS. For a list of subjects please check the Taught Masters programmes on the SOAS website. Please note that Humanities and Social Science subjects which are not supported at SOAS will normally not be considered. Those who are already enrolled in any Higher Educational Institution in the United Kingdom (including SOAS) are **not** eligible to apply. Applicants must demonstrate sufficient English language ability, both written and spoken, to participate in discussions and use resource materials.

What is its value?

The Fellowship at present carries a monthly accommodation and living grant, at present £1,250, for up to three months and an international economy return air fare to London. Please note that it is the responsibility of the successful candidate to arrange accommodation within the limit of the budget.

Criterion

The award will be made on the basis of academic merit and research potential. The Centre and the Trust reserve the right not to make an award in the event that no suitable application is received.

Notification of competition result

All applicants will be notified by e-mail regarding the outcome of their application, generally by the end of October 2011. The successful candidate will also be notified by letter. If you have not heard from us by the end of October, please contact the Office Manager, Centres and Programmes Office.

Application Forms

Application forms should be downloaded from the SOAS website: www.soas.ac.uk (click Centres/ Centre of South Asian Studies/ Charles Wallace Fellowship Trust / India)

Queries may be addressed to the Office Manager, Centres & Programmes Office, Jane Savory (centres@soas.ac.uk).

Closing Date

The closing date is **Wednesday, 31 August 2011**. Application materials **must** be submitted in **hard copy** and in **duplicate** (except for letters of reference) in good time to:

Ms Jane Savory
Centres and Programmes Office
SOAS, University of London
Thornhaugh Street
Russell Square
London WC1H 0XG
United Kingdom

Late or incomplete applications, including those sent electronically, will not be considered.

CHARLES WALLACE INDIA FELLOWSHIP AT SOAS 2011/12 APPLICATION FORM

Notes for Applicants:

1. Applicants must have completed a PhD and must be working in the fields of 'India Studies' (Arts or Humanities and Social Sciences) which are supported at SOAS. Applicants may not hold the Fellowship for the purpose of, or in conjunction with, enrolment in any Higher Educational Institution in the United Kingdom (including SOAS).
2. Applicants must be an Indian national and be residing in India at the time the application is submitted.
3. Applicants must be in the early to middle stage of their academic careers.
4. Applications will be encouraged in particular from those scholars who have had no or little opportunity to do research outside India.
5. Candidates must demonstrate sufficient English language ability, both written and spoken, to participate in discussions and use resource materials.
6. Applicants must state if they are in receipt of any other grant, or are awaiting results of other applications. Failure to do so may result in the fellowship being withdrawn.
7. The tenure of the Fellowship should be predominantly during SOAS term-time (January–March) and the Fellow will be based at SOAS, usually sharing an office.
8. As a rule, the Fellow is asked to give a seminar in the Centre of South Asian Studies series. There may be also a chance to give one in another department's series.
9. The Fellow will be expected to take part in the general intellectual life of the School (e.g. active participation in seminars).
10. Completed applications forms must be submitted to: The Officer Manager, Centres & Programmes Office, SOAS, no later than the stated deadline.
11. All material submitted must be in printed form (except letters of reference).
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13. References can be emailed directly to Jane Savory, centres@soas.ac.uk but must clearly state the candidate's name in the subject header.
14. The School may wish to interview the top three candidates via Skype. Further details will be sent to the shortlisted candidates after the closing date.
15. All applicants will be notified by e-mail regarding the outcome of their application, generally by the end of October 2011. Applicants who submit an ineligible or incomplete application will not be contacted.
16. At the end of the fellowship the Fellow will submit a final report on their progress (of about 1,000 words) within 1 month of the termination date (which will be published in the South Asian Studies newsletter and on the Centre's website).
17. The School is authorised to release the names of successful fellows and their research topics as it deems fit.

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: Wednesday, 31 August 2011

A complete application will comprise:

1. This form duly filled in.
2. A description of research to be carried out in London including an explanation of the need to be in London.
3. Two short examples of published or unpublished work (not more than 20,000 words in all).
4. Two letters of recommendation.

All material submitted must be in printed form and in duplicate (except the letters of reference).

**CHARLES WALLACE INDIA FELLOWSHIP AT SOAS
APPLICATION FORM 2011/2012**

1 Fellowship applied for:

Date of Application:

2 PERSONAL DETAILS

FAMILY Name

Given Names (in full)

Date of Birth (day/month/year)

Nationality

Sex

Age on 31 August 2011

3 Address for correspondence

Email address:

4 UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE EDUCATION

Universities/Colleges Attended

Degree(s) & date(s) received

5 PROFESSIONAL OR OTHER QUALIFICATIONS:

Give details, where obtained, and dates:

6 OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION:

(Full-time employment, publications, time spent outside India)

7 DETAILS OF ANY OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS OBTAINED, with dates

8 NAMES AND TITLES OF YOUR TWO REFERENCES

1)

2)

9 DESCRIBE YOUR PROPOSED RESEARCH TOPIC (about 500 words)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT
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DATE
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Your signature confirms that, to the best of your knowledge, the information you have given is correct and complete.

TO THE CANDIDATE FOR THE CHARLES WALLACE INDIA FELLOWSHIP 2011/12

Complete sections A-C below and forward a copy of this form to each referee.

A Applicant's Full Name (capitalise FAMILY Name)

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B Proposed Research Topic

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C Name and Title of Referee

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TO THE REFEREE

The above-named person has nominated you as a referee for a Charles Wallace India Fellowship at SOAS.

One fellowship is offered.

The Fellowship is open to persons who have completed a PhD. Applicants must be an Indian national and be residing in India at the time the application is submitted. The fellowship will be awarded to those who would be ready to make the most of a short period of study and discussion at SOAS. Applications will be encouraged in particular from those scholars who have had no or little opportunity to do research outside India. Applicants must be in the early to middle stage of their academic careers and be working in the fields of 'India Studies' (Arts or Humanities and Social Sciences) which are supported at SOAS.

Please comment on the candidate's academic and personal suitability for the 3 month visiting fellowship. We would be grateful if you could return your letter directly to the candidate, enclosed in an envelope and signed across the seal. Please note that the closing date is **Wednesday, 31 August 2011**. A late letter may jeopardise the candidate's chances of success. If it is impossible to contact the candidate in time, it is acceptable to submit this letter direct to: Ms Jane Savory, Centres and Programmes Office, SOAS, University of London, Thornhaugh Street, Russell Square, London, WC1H 0XG, UK or centres@soas.ac.uk to arrive no later than the deadline.

With thanks for your kind assistance.

Jane Savory
Office Manager, Centres and Programmes Office

STATEMENT BY REFEREE
(Where possible please use a typewriter or word processor)

Applicant's Full Name (capitalise FAMILY Name).....

Please indicate the applicant's skill in English

Reading:	A	/	B	/	C	/	D	/	E
Composition:	A	/	B	/	C	/	D	/	E
Speaking:	A	/	B	/	C	/	D	/	E

(where A is highest and E lowest level)

NAME OF REFEREE.....

SIGNATURE.....

POSITION HELD:DATE.....

INSTITUTION AND ADDRESS
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CONTACT EMAIL & TELEPHONE NUMBER.....

OFFICIAL STAMP OF INSTITUTION