**Gbowee Peace Foundation Africa Scholarship for Postgraduate Masters at the University of Dundee**

**Application form**

**Completing the form**

Please read the guidance notes below and the accompanying Regulations before completing this application form.

All sections of the form must be completed and applicants must ensure that they provide all the required evidence.

**Guidance notes**

*Who may apply?*

The Gbowee Peace Foundation Africa Scholarships are open to students who are currently Liberian, Nigerian or Ghanaian nationals permanently resident in these countries and are female. (Must be free of immigration regulations). Applicants will be selected on the basis of their merit and potential evidenced by the information in this application.

Any student meeting the above criteria and formally accepted on an eligible Postgraduate Degree programme may apply.

*What courses are eligible?*

Any one postgraduate degree course is eligible, other than an MPhil or a similar programme undertaken solely by research. Postgraduate diploma or certificate courses are not eligible.

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**Submitting the form**

**Please return this form to: Gillian Sharp,** **contactus@dundee.ac.uk**

**Closing date for applications: 13 November 2015**

Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

Please return this form to the university by the closing date for applications above.

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**Section A**

1. **Applicant’s details**

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| **Surname** |  |
| **Maiden name** (if applicable) |  |
| **Forename(s)** |  |
| **Gender** |  |
| **Nationality** |  |
| **Student ID number** |  |
| **Place of birth** |  |
| **Term time address** (give full address)  |  |
| **Permanent address, if different** (give full address) |  |
| **Email (university)** |  |
| **Email (personal)** |  |
| **Tel. No** |  |
| **Mobile No** |  |

**Please explain how you meet the Liberian, Nigerian or Ghanaian nationality and residency eligibility criterion:**

Applicants must be Liberian, Nigerian, Ghanaian nationals permanently resident in these countries and are female. (Must be free of immigration regulations)

1. **Secondary and/or further education**

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| **School or College name and location** | **Subject/course** | **From MM/YY to MM/YY** | **Results** |
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1. **University qualifications held or pending**

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| **University** | **Subject/course** | **From MM/YY to MM/YY** | **Results** |
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**Please provide details of any prizes or distinctions received:**

1. **Details of proposed postgraduate degree course**

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| **Full title of proposed Postgraduate course,** including degree type (e.g. MSc., MLitt., etc.) |  |
| **Start date** |  |
| **Is this course?** | **Full-time 🞏**  |
| **Have you been accepted on this course** | **❑ Yes ❑ Not yet** |

**If you have applied for other funding for the proposed postgraduate degree course, please specify:**

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**Section B: Personal statement**

Preference will be given to a candidate who has shown evidence of upholding the ethos of the Gbowee Peace Foundation Africa through sustained personal growth, involvement in community development, and a strong commitment to the advancement and education of women and youth in her home country. It is recommended that the candidate provide examples or a personal narrative that highlight leadership qualities, personal fortitude, and active participation in developing meaningful opportunities which lead to the social, educational, and/or spiritual advancement of the disadvantaged.

The successful candidate should be prepared to use the scholarship not only as an educational experience but also as a chance to become immersed in another culture, while fostering understanding of her own country and culture amongst students and the local community of Dundee. The applying candidate should address how she hopes to become involved in University or local societies, activities, and/or organisations, and how she will support discourse about issues women face globally.

The candidate should be aware that this scholarship is the University’s investment in the sustained growth of an individual and the betterment of a community at large. The candidate should indicate how she will use the studying abroad experience and the postgraduate qualification to locally or globally promote holistic transformation, facilitate equal access to opportunities for all, and encourage a peaceful, reconciled and empowered population in her home country.

**Please explain why you wish to undertake this course and what you hope to gain from it** (max 500 words). Be sure to demonstrate how you meet the criteria of the scholarship.

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 **Section C: Supporting evidence checklist**

* Proof of Liberian, Nigerian or Ghanaian nationality: copy of valid passport or birth certificate

AND

* Proof of permanent residence in an Liberia, Nigeria or Ghana: copy of valid utility bill / wage slip / bank statement with name and address

AND

* Copy of current passport

**Section D: Applicant declaration and Data Protection Act**

The University of Dundee is registered under the Data Protection Act 1998 and complies with the provisions of the Act. Applicants are reminded that, in order for the University to manage awards, it will be necessary to store and process the information received. Data will be securely held and lawfully processed, it will be kept up-to-date, and not retained for longer than necessary. Data may also be used to compile published lists of award holders, which may be available on the Internet and in the Foundation’s Annual Report. The Foundation may contact award holders about its funding schemes, application processes and policies or to help evaluate these.

In making this application, I agree that the information provided therein is, to the best of my knowledge, complete and accurate; that the University and the Foundation may process the data in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. I accept that the University and the Foundation will not enter into correspondence which would involve, directly or indirectly, discussion of, or comparison with, other applications, whether successful or unsuccessful. I have read the Bursary regulations and agree to abide by them, should an award be made.

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| **Signature** | **Date** |

Please return this form by the closing date to contactus@dundee.ac.uk

**Under no circumstances should the form be sent directly to the Leymah Gbowee Foundation.**

Forms sent to the Foundation will not be processed.