

SUSSEX MARSHALL SCHOLARSHIP

University of Sussex

Summary from Marshall Scholarship Website

This Scholarship is for Graduate Study in any subject at either Masters or Doctoral level at University of Sussex and will be for two years (with a possibility of a third year for doctoral studies) . If awarded a Sussex Marshall Scholarship candidates would be expected to study at University of Sussex.

Further information provided by Sussex for NAFA Conference

A world class University

The University of Sussex was the first of the new wave of universities founded in the 1960s, receiving its Royal Charter in August 1961. Nearly 50 years on, the University has become a leading teaching and research institution. In the 2010 Times Higher Education magazine's World University Rankings, Sussex is ranked 8th in the UK, 16th in Europe and 79th in the world.

A research-intensive University

The 2008 Research Assessment Exercise (RAE), which assesses research standards in UK universities, confirmed the University's pre-eminence as a research-led institution. Over 90 per cent of our research was rated as world-leading, internationally excellent or internationally recognized. No less than 18 of our subjects were ranked in the top 20 in the UK, with American Studies rated number 1, Politics rated at number 2 and Art History at number 3.

Research themes

As the University looks to build on its research strengths, we have identified the following six interdisciplinary research themes as future priorities:

- Digital and social media: applying digital media to construct and communicate across space and society.
- Culture and heritage: constructing identity and culture through notions of memory and place.
- Citizenship and democratization: freedom, violence and reconciling conflict in an insecure world.
- Mind and brain: unravelling the mind, brain and consciousness – from cell to self and a personal identity.
- Global transformations: rethinking social adaptation in the context of changing environments and the global economy.
- Environment and health: enhancing lifelong health and well-being by promoting illness prevention and improving the management of disease.

Doctoral School

Our commitment to research is underlined by the creation of a new Doctoral School from 2009-10. The Doctoral School will commit the University to excellence in developing the next generation of researchers to fulfill their potential, and recognize the contribution doctoral and postdoctoral researchers make within their own disciplines as well as to the distinctive interdisciplinary research environment at Sussex.

Junior Research Associate Scheme (JRA)

Research starts early at Sussex with talented Sussex undergraduates given a taste of life as academic researchers. Under the JRA scheme, up to 30 undergraduates receive £1,800 to support them in the summer vacation whilst they work on research projects.

A range of quality taught masters programmes

We offer over 150 taught masters programmes across a wide range of disciplines and have recently expanded our portfolio of programmes in Business and Management and introduced a range of new

masters programmes in International Security which draw upon existing interdisciplinary strengths. We also launched in 2010-11 a range of exciting new masters programmes in the area of climate change.

Links with US universities

In addition to lots and lots of informal faculty links with US institutions, the University has formal links with a large number of universities that facilitate student exchanges or a Junior Year Abroad. A full list of partner institutions is attached as Appendix 1.

Funding and scholarships

In 2010-11, the University offered a range of partial masters scholarships to the value of over £175,000. These were available on a competitive basis and awarded to the most academically gifted students. Details of scholarships can be found at: <http://www.sussex.ac.uk/study/funding.php>

Student life

We were delighted to have achieved the highest 'Best Place to be' rating of all English institutions in the latest International Student Barometer survey – the fourth time that international students have voted us number one. Hundreds of our students responded and their feedback shows that:

- 96 per cent rate the environment as safe
- 93 per cent praise the research
- our teaching staff were highly rated as 'expert lecturers'
- our students think that Sussex offers a very multicultural environment, with better language support than many other leading institutions.
- Overall, almost 9 out of 10 international students would encourage other students to apply to Sussex.

Career development

We place a lot of emphasis on the career development of our students and, in the most recent final destination survey of UK postgraduates six months after completing their studies, 91% of Sussex postgraduates were either working, studying or a combination of the two.

Sussex campus

The University of Sussex is the only university in the UK that is situated in an area of outstanding natural beauty. It is also situated in the South Downs National Park – one of only 14 Parks in the UK renowned for their beautiful areas of countryside, meadows, moorlands, woods and wetlands.

Brighton

The University is just a few miles from the city of Brighton which is one of the most vibrant, colorful and creative cities in Europe. Cosmopolitan, compact, energetic, unique, fun, lively, historic, young, exotic and free-spirited, it's a city like no other. A fantastic mix of iconic attractions, famed nightlife, award winning restaurants, funky arts, culture & year round festivals & events Brighton really does have it all.

Further information

To find out more about Sussex visit: <http://www.sussex.ac.uk/>

US partner institutions with Sussex

University of Alaska at Fairbanks
Arizona State University
University of California at Davis
University of California at Berkeley
University of California at Santa Cruz
University of California at Santa Barbara
University of California at Irvine
University of California at San Diego
University of Colorado
George Washington University, Washington DC
Georgetown University, Washington DC
University of Georgia
Georgia Tech., Atlanta
Louisiana State University
University of Massachusetts, Amherst
University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Occidental College, Los Angeles
Oregon State University, Corvallis
University of Pennsylvania
Pennsylvania State University, University Park
University of Pittsburgh
Purdue University, West Lafayette
Reed College, Portland, Oregon
Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst., Troy
University of Rochester, Rochester
Spelman College, Atlanta
State University of New Jersey, Rutgers, New Brunswick
State University of New York, Stony Brook
University of Texas, Austin
Tulane University, New Orleans
University of Vermont, Burlington
Washington University in Seattle
Washington University, St Louis