PLEASE READ THESE NOTES CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THE PLACEMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

1. The Commission has to work within budget limitations and must carefully spend its resources; it needs to know in advance, and as accurately as possible, the costs involved in each award which it proposes to make. It will not normally be able to meet costs which are not declared in advance of the start of the course.

2. **Tenure.** A Marshall scholarship is offered **for full-time study** for one or two years. If you require that a scholar first enrol for, or actually take, a preliminary or qualifying degree or diploma, please inform the Commission at this stage whether the scholar will have the opportunity, within the Commission's time limits, to proceed to the programme for which we are seeking a place.

3. **Living costs.** A scholar will be paid a stipend of **£1,452** per calendar month or **£1,781** for those studying at institutions in the London Metropolitan region (**2024** figures). These figures will be amended from **October 2026**. Scholars will be expected to pay their living costs (including rent) from this stipend. Payments will be suspended during prolonged absences abroad unless otherwise arranged with the secretariat. Available allowances are under review for the 2026-27and further information will be made available in due course via the Scholar's notification of award.

4. **Travel costs** A scholar will be paid a travel allowance of **£1,712**per academic year (2025figures). These figures will be amended from **October 2026.** Scholars will be expected to use these funds to cover transport from their home to their university site, utilizing student fares where possible,

5. All awards are subject to regular reports from a scholar's supervisor as to satisfactory progress and conduct. Supervisors will be contacted by the Marshall team to provide a report.

6. **PhD Funding -** Before accepting students on programmes which are intended to lead to a PhD, universities are asked to bear in mind that the Commission will not guarantee a third year of funding. Should a scholar receive third year funding, the Commission will not consider extending funding beyond three years. Therefore, universities and supervisors are asked to consider these time limitations and, where possible, design programmes that enable Scholars to complete their PhD programme (exams and dissertation) within a maximum of three years. Please let us know if it is unlikely that the programme could be completed within the three years.

7. **Fees.** Unless otherwise covered by a partnership agreement, the Commission will pay the university's fees, at the rate for overseas students, for each of the two full academic years for which the award is offered.

7.1 The Commission takes the view that tuition fees are intended to cover a student's full course costs and that no additional claim will be made for bench fees, research support funding or other funding for other compulsory modules, training or software. However, for laboratory-based degrees the Commission is able to offer an **£800** Research Support Grant upon request. Additionally, students requiring a musical instrument (as part of or wholly for their course) can receive a grant of up to £500 per year of their program for its regular maintenance.

7.2 The Commission normally expects all costs relating to taught master's programs, including any fieldwork expenses, to be included in the overseas tuition fee costs. As such, the Commission will not pay fieldwork expenses for scholars on taught master's courses.

7.3 In certain circumstances the Commission may also agree to pay fees for short term approved preliminary or in-sessional courses. Fees must be listed on the placement form if they are required.

8. **Fieldwork and Travel Abroad.** Scholars are expected to reside in the United Kingdom throughout the tenure of their scholarship. The Commission is not funded to support extensive periods of fieldwork or study overseas even if it is in a scholar's home country.

9. **Travel in the UK or Abroad**. The Commission makes available **£565** for two-year Scholars and **£315** for one-year Scholars for study travel. This can be claimed as and when it is needed and will need written supervisor approval if travel outside of the UK is required.

10. **Academic Allowance.** Scholars receive an academic allowance of **£547 (2025 figure) per year of tenure for two-year Scholars and £1,094 for one-year Scholars**. This grant is intended to cover a scholar's academic and stationary needs during their period on award, which may include books, photocopying, or technology.

11. If scholars are accepted, and their awards duly confirmed, their affairs while they are in the UK are under the attention of the Commission's secretariat at The British Council. All enquiries in the first instance should be sent to: prog.admin@marshallscholarship.org. After the arrival of scholars, tuition fee invoices should be sent to the same email address marked FAO: Programme Administrator, Marshall Scholarships, British Council, 1 Redman Place, London E20 1JQ.

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