Churchill Oxford Graduate Scholarship

Information for Students

What is the Churchill Oxford Scholarship?
The Churchill Oxford Scholarship is awarded to a student(s) with superior academic standing who is a graduate of the Faculty of Arts at the University of Alberta, to continue studies in the humanities or human sciences at Oxford University.

Receipt of the award is subject to gaining acceptance to Graduate Studies in the humanities or human sciences at Oxford University.

How many awards will be made?
There will be 1 award. The award is tenable only once in a graduate student's career.

Who is eligible to apply?
Any student who is a graduate of the Faculty of Arts, University of Alberta is eligible to apply. Psychology students who have graduated from the Faculty of Science are also eligible.

Preference will be given to Canadian citizens.

Can I apply more than once?
Yes. Previously unsuccessful applicants are encouraged to re-apply.

Where do I get an application form?
There is no application form. Application requirements can be found in the Graduate Programs section of the Faculty of Arts website: The Churchill Oxford Scholarship.

What is the deadline for applications?
Applications must be received by 4:00 PM, October 31st (if this date falls on a holiday or weekend, applications will be accepted the following business day).
Award winners will be notified by December 23rd.

How do I apply?
Submit a competed application package to the Associate Dean Graduate, c/o Ms. Meghan Huffman (meghan.huffman@ualberta.ca).
Your application package should consist of the following documents (in the order specified):

- A letter of application, addressed to the Churchill Oxford Adjudication Committee. Your letter should outline your area of studies and how your perception of Winston Churchill's ideals and place in history may factor in your proposed study.
- Outline of your program of study and research, and the degree pursued.
- Two letters of reference from persons acquainted with your academic proficiency.
- Undergraduate and graduate transcripts.
• Evidence of application to Oxford University for doctoral study
• Outline of other financial support applied for or awarded.

Applications must be submitted electronically as a single PDF. Incomplete applications will not be accepted for adjudication. Applications received in hard copy will not be accepted for adjudication.

Can this award be held in conjunction with other awards?
Yes. This award may be held with another major award, such as the SSHRC doctoral fellowship.

Be prepared to articulate your own thoughts in a concise and intelligent manner. Don’t be shy or daunted by the task! No matter what the outcome, this is a great opportunity to enhance your academic development.

In your letter of application and program/research descriptions, avoid the use of technical jargon as much as possible. Technical jargon is a hindrance. Remember, your application is being adjudicated by a multidisciplinary committee which may not have anyone with expertise in your area of study. You are expected to communicate your thoughts in ordinary language.