Gates-Cambridge Scholarship

Scholarship Description:

Gates-Cambridge Scholarships are highly competitive full-cost scholarships. They are awarded to outstanding applicants from countries outside the UK to pursue a full-time postgraduate degree in any subject available at the University of Cambridge. The program aims to build a global network of future leaders committed to improving the lives of others. Students apply directly to the University of Cambridge for a graduate degree (generally 1-3 years), and at the same time they apply to the Gates-Cambridge Trust for the scholarship. Students usually apply as college seniors or recent graduates. Approximately 90 awards are presented annually, which cover living expense, tuition, fees and travel to the UK.

Eligibility

Applicants must be a U.S. citizen and be studying any field that is offered by Cambridge. Students are strongly encouraged to research graduate programs at Cambridge and contact the faculty there. Students must possess,

- Outstanding intellectual ability
- Leadership potential
- A commitment to improving the lives of others
- A good fit between the applicant's qualifications and aspirations and the postgraduate program at Cambridge for which they are applying

Deadline

October 15; different departments may have different deadlines

Application

- Application form
- Personal essay
- One reference
- Interview if named a finalist
- Must apply to Cambridge simultaneously (which requires 2 separate letters of reference, application, etc.)

Contact

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Note: Although this application is not institutionally nominated, students should make an appointment to speak with Dr. Damuth about the scholarship well in advance of the national deadline.