

## **Malawi Scholarships for Master's in Education**

### **Chancellor College, Malawi**

#### **About the Scholarships**

**James Learmonth** was an influential educational practitioner in the UK who believed strongly that education was the key to greater inclusion, social stability and international co-operation. He also believed that teachers and educational leaders can only be effective if they continue learning. When James died of cancer in 2003, his wife, family and numerous colleagues and friends decided to establish the James Learmonth Scholarship Programme in his memory. The aim of this programme is to support teachers and educational leaders in Malawi to pursue studies in education.

On July 10, 2010, the much loved and dedicated educationalist, **Dr Elizabeth Bird** died tragically. In her memory, the Elizabeth Bird Resource Centre was established at the University of Malawi. Dr Bird's widower, Michael Bird, also sponsored Dorothy Kabvala, a postgraduate student doing her Master's in Education. "Liz's legacy continues in so many ways." Michael Bird

Canon Collins Trust administers both scholarships in memory of James Learmonth and Elizabeth Bird. This scholarship is valued at approximately US\$3,500 per academic year, to cover tuition fees and provide a living allowance. This figure may vary, subject to confirmation of tuition fees.

#### **Are you eligible?**

Applicants must be:

- studying or applying to study any MA Education course at Chancellor College
- a national of and resident in Malawi
- in possession of a good undergraduate degree

Please apply only if you are eligible.

#### **Application Process**

Applications must be made through the online portal via [the following link](#).

The deadline for applying is **17:00 SAST** time on **10th July** and late and incomplete applications will not be considered.

You are required to submit a full application including motivation and the following documentation:

- ID document (passport, driving license or birth certificate)
- Academic transcripts
- Degree certificates, if available
- One academic reference
- A copy of your most recent payslips, if you are employed

Please do not submit your application until you have all the necessary information.

## References

You are required to submit an **academic reference**. You should ask your referee to write a reference that relates to your application for this bursary and reflects how you meet the selection criteria. It should outline your strengths as an applicant, demonstrate your capacity to study at the level required, and identify your potential impact in the future.

## Selection Criteria

In selecting scholars, the Canon Collins Trust will apply a number of criteria including academic merit, work experience, need and the potential to contribute to southern Africa's future prosperity. We are looking for future leaders in their fields and therefore demonstrable leadership qualities are important.

### Academic Record and References

Applicants should have a minimum of a good second-class (2.1) undergraduate degree and excellent references.

### Work Experience

We favour applications where there is a demonstrable continuity between the applicant's current profession, career ambitions and this course of study.

### Relevance

We favour applicants who can describe why this choice of course fits with their ambitions to make a difference in their sector. Please note that applicants need to be clear on their intended area of specialisation and be able to articulate how this will enable them to meet their career goals.

### Leadership Competencies

Applicants will be asked to demonstrate how they have developed their leadership skills in the workplace, academia or in their personal life.

### Commitment to Country/Community

We will favour applicants who most clearly show a desire to be part of and to contribute to the future prosperity of southern Africa. Applicants should explain exactly how their course or their qualification will allow them to make an impact to their community.

### Networking

We are looking for individuals with strong networking and professional building skills, who will actively engage with the Canon Collins community.



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