**The Marshal Papworth Scholarship Programme - 2024 – Application Deadline** **23 February 2024**

The Marshal Papworth Scholarships Programme at Reading is a merit and experience-based award is given to talented individuals who demonstrate that they have the potential, at the end of their Master's programme, to motivate people and communities in their home country towards positive change. The Scholarships are offered in collaboration with the Wallace and Muriel Hurst Fund.

**Applications must meet the Eligibility Criteria outlined below.** Candidates who meet the criteria will then be shortlisted against three main factors: academic excellence, professional experience (includes experience gained in a voluntary capacity), and the potential for contribution to development in their home country after completion of their degree programme. Shortlisted applicants will then be reviewed by a selection panel from the Marshal Papworth Scholarship.

All applicants holding an offer of admission with the Graduate Institute of International Development, Agriculture and Economics (GIIDAE) on one of the eligible programmes will be sent an application form. If you want to apply for this Scholarship, you must hold an offer of admission prior to the Scholarship application deadline. Please submit your application for admission well in advance in order to ensure that your application has been processed prior to the Scholarship deadline.

**The award comprises:**

* Payment of tuition fees (as outlined on the University’s web page) <http://www.reading.ac.uk/Study/fees/pg-feestable.aspx>.
* A termly stipend (living allowance) to cover accommodation and living expenses. The amount of the stipend will be outlined in the award letter.
* You will not be liable for the non-refundable deposit normally due by international applicants
* No further funds will be awarded.

**Eligibility Criteria**

1. Candidates must have demonstrable work or voluntary experience working in community development and/or agricultural development.

2. Candidates must have a 2:1 or 1st class degree at the undergraduate level (we use [NARIC](http://ecctis.co.uk/naric/) to assess degree equivalency).

3. The awards enable Scholars to study on any one of the following one-year postgraduate Master's courses offered by the Graduate Institute of International Development, Agriculture and Economics (GIIDAE) at the University of Reading:

* Agriculture and Development
* Applied International Development
* Climate Change, Environment and Development
* Communication for Development
* Food Security and Development

At least one scholarship will be awarded to the MSc Agriculture and Development. The remaining scholarships will be awarded to applicants across a range of the remaining degree programmes.

4. The candidate should usually be from one of the countries listed <https://www.marshalpapworth.com/how-to-apply/qualifying-countries/2> and be domiciled in that country at the time of their application. These have been derived based on countries with a GNI per capita below $11500 USD and be residing in that country at the time of application.

5. Candidates must demonstrate that they have achieved the English language requirements stipulated by the University of Reading - [www.reading.ac.uk/ad-Englishtests.aspx](http://www.reading.ac.uk/ad-Englishtests.aspx)

6. Those who have already pursued study at the Master's level will not normally be considered unless this forms part of the entry level criteria.

7. Candidates should normally have an unconditional offer from the University of Reading by the time they apply for the scholarship. If their offer is conditional, it will be considered, but all conditions must be successfully met immediately upon request by GIIDAE.

8. Receipt of an application form in and of itself DOES NOT mean that the candidate is eligible to apply; you must meet all of the eligibility criteria list above.

9. The deadline for applications is **23 February 2024, 17:00 PM GMT** (Greenwich Mean Time).

For a copy of the application form, please contact [sapd.scholarships@reading.ac.uk](mailto:sapd.scholarships@reading.ac.uk) once you have your offer to study with us.

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