

# BritishSpanish Society Scholarships 2016 Candidate Application Pack

## How to apply for a scholarship

Applications, either direct or via an academic sponsor, should be made by 15 February 2016 to the Grants Secretary of the Society via email to <a href="mailto:info@britishspanishsociety.org">info@britishspanishsociety.org</a>. Please note that no applications, or further documents, will be accepted after 15 February 2016.

#### Applications must include:

- A completed application form
- · A scanned copy of your passport or identification card
- A scanned copy of your letter of acceptance from your academic institution
- Letter/s of reference from an academic sponsor.

**Note:** In considering the strength of applications for BritishSpanish Society scholarships, apart from considering whether they conform with the objects of the Society, one factor that may be taken into account will be the relevance of candidates' applications to the work of our Principal Supporters. Candidates may want to reflect on how best to present their applications with reference to our Supporters' websites, and should feel free to indicate if they feel their application is especially suited to the interests of a particular Supporter.

#### Scholarship Policy

#### Applicants for grants should consider the following:

- 1. Applicants must be United Kingdom or Spanish nationals who are or will be engaged in university studies at postgraduate level that have some connection with bilateral links and relationships between the United Kingdom and Spain in any field of academic interest.
- 2. Applicants may be undergraduates in their final year, or be postgraduates seeking, for example, to extend existing qualifications or to carry forward research already initiated.
- 3. Students should already have been accepted at the University of their choice and be able to produce written confirmation of this (a scanned copy of your acceptance letter is sufficient).
- 4. The Society's aim is to provide support for a course or research project which would not be possible without this additional funding.

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5. In considering applications the Council will take into account whether they conform with the objects of the Society, which is a non-political organisation whose aim is: 'to promote friendship and understanding among the peoples of the United Kingdom and Spain through knowledge of each other's customs, institutions, history and way of life'.

- 6. Successful applicants will be asked to submit a short article on their research and experiences for publication in the Society's La Revista. Likewise they must specify in its publications such research has been completed with funding received from the BSS.
- 7. Details of the benefactors that very generously support our programme can be found on the BritishSpanish Society website. Their representatives will be involved in the acceptance of candidates.
- 8. Grants can include allowances for research materials, travel, academic fees and, where appropriate, accommodation. Each grant will be of the order of £4,500, with a likely maximum of £5,000.
- 9. Applications can be submitted from 1st November 2015 (in the first instance to the Grants Secretary) until the closing date for applications 15 February 2016. Please note that no applications, or further documents, will be accepted after 15 February 2016. It is intended that the five main scholarships (one for each Principal Supporter) will be awarded in May 2016 at a reception at the Spanish Embassy in London which successful candidates will be required to attend.

10. The project will be evaluated as:

Outstanding: ≥90 points
 Very good: 80-90 points
 Good: 70-79 points

Satisfactory: 60-69 pointsLimited: less than 60 points

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# The BritishSpanish Society Scholarship Programme 2016 Application Form

#### **Personal details**

Name and surname/s:	
Date of birth:	Country of origin:
Full postal address:	
Email:	Telephone No.:

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#### Project summary (max. 100 words)

## Candidate's profile (up to 20 points)

- 1. Education up to 10 points
- 2. Professional experience up to 10 points

# Project (max. 600 words. Up to 70 points)

- 1. Clarity of the exposition up to 10 points
- 2. Methodology up to 10 points
- 3. Impact up to 30 points
- 4. British Spanish link up to 20 points

# Centre (up to 10 points)

1. Why the centre is appropriate to develop the proposed research

Name of academic institution:	
Date started (mm/yyyy):	Estimated finishing date (mm/yyyy):
Expected qualification*:	I
Subject area:	
Key subject areas studied:	
Project title:	

\*this qualification must be the one for which you are requesting financial support from BritishSpanish Society.

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