**Application Form**

2024/25 Entry Fight for Sight Foundation PhD Studentship

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**INSTRUCTIONS FOR CANDIDATES**

Please read these notes before completing the application form.

1) The closing date for this studentship is **23:59** on **26 May 2024**

2) Non-native speakers must provide satisfactory evidence of proficiency in English. A copy of a certificate of an English language examination is required. The normal requirements are: International English language Testing Service Examination (IELTS) 6.5 overall with no less than 6.0 in any one element. Note: Other English Language qualifications are assessed on an individual basis.

3) Send all your forms via email to [stgeorgesphd@sgul.ac.uk](mailto:stgeorgesphd@sgul.ac.uk) and please make sure that you send the Equal Opportunities form as a **separate document** to your application form. You may send documents in Word and in pdf, whichever is easier for you.

4) If you are shortlisted for interview, we will contact your referees and ask them to complete a reference form.

5) All applications will be acknowledged. We will let you know if you have been shortlisted for interview. **Interviews will be held in the week commencing 17 June 2024**

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| **A** | **Personal Details** |

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| Title (Optional) | |
| Family Name: | |
| Given Names: (in full) | Country of Birth: |
| Country of Permanent Residence: | Country of Citizenship: |

Note: You may be requested to complete a fees status questionnaire. You will also be required to bring your passport to interview.

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| Permanent Address: | If you would prefer correspondence to be sent to a different address during the application cycle, please give details here: |
| Telephone: | Between which dates is the address valid? |
| Email: | |

Note: Please ensure you check your email regularly throughout the application process.

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| **B** | **Educational Background** |

Please list the academic and professional qualifications you have already obtained. If you have not yet completed your first degree studies, please give details of the results of your examinations to date and the details of your secondary level education.

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| **Institution** | **Dates attended** | **Examination(s) taken with main subject\*** | **Class or Grade** | **Date of Award** |
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\*You may be required to bring transcripts or certificates to an interview.

Please give details of any examinations which you have not yet taken or awards which you will be obtaining.

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*For non-native English-language speakers*: please give details of English Language proficiency examinations you have taken or will be taking.

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| **C** | **Employment and Prior Experience** |

Please give details of your current employment and/or of any previous relevant employment or other prior learning and experience.

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| **Employer** | **Dates** | **Post held and brief**  **Job description** |
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| **D** | **Previous attempts at PhD level study** |

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| Have you started a PhD programme before? – YES or NO |
| If ‘yes’, please give details |

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| **E** | **Contextual Questions** |

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| SGUL is committed to recruiting a diverse student cohort. We value the academic and non-academic experiences people bring to our community and appreciate that a standard scholarship application may not address the personal and professional progression routes of our applicants.  Please use this section to tell us more about yourself: your skills, professional and lived experience, personal attributes, motivation, and any other relevant information which makes you suitable for PhD study. |
| Why have you selected this project? (250 words max) |
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| How will this PhD prepare you for your intended future career? (250 words max) |
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| Please give any information about previous research experience including skills that may be relevant (500 words max) |
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| Is there anything else that you would like us to know that may help us better evaluate your application? (250 words max) |
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| **F** | **About St George’s, University of London** |

How did you first find out about this project?

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| Education Fair |  | Directory (please name) |  |
| Word of mouth |  | Internet/Website (please name |  |
| Careers Office |  | Other – please specify? |  |

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| **G** | **References** |

Please give the names of two referees who we can contact, should you be given an interview.

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| Referee including position | Address | Telephone and email |
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| **H** | **Data Protection** |

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| Your contact details will be held on a database and may be used to send you details of other SGUL activities and services. If you do NOT wish to receive such materials, please tick this box: |

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| **I** | **Declaration** |

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| I declare that the above information is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge.  I understand that information provided by me to St George’s, University of London will be treated in confidence, but I agree that the institution may pass information to official UK government bodies to assist in their duties.  Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |