

Hornby Scholarships – selection criteria:**Application/interview:**

Candidates should:

- have successfully completed an undergraduate degree course equivalent to a Bachelors Degree in the UK (certification must be provided as part of each candidate's application)
- have at least five years' hands-on and direct experience as an English language teacher/teacher trainer (as opposed to experience only in a management role, such as co-ordinating policy or running a school)
- have been involved in some sort of developmental work as trainers or managers
- have attained an overall minimum Band score 6.5 on the International English Language Testing Service (IELTS), with no less than 6 in any of the categories
- indicate their commitment and ability to take time out of their career to pursue the programme

Through their application form and interview, candidates should show:

- expertise and insight into English language teaching and teacher training
- academic ability to succeed on a UK Masters' course and important requirement for an MA Scholar, including having the necessary English skills
- interest in the practical rather than academic application of their studies
- potential to become leaders in their field and future decision-makers

The aims of the interview are:

- to explore the information given by the candidate in their application form about their academic and professional background (and confirm that it is correct)
- to assess the professional knowledge and ability of the candidate
- to assess the potential of the candidate as a leader in the field of ELT
- to assess the candidate's appreciation of the opportunities and challenges of a Hornby Scholarship to study in the UK
- to answer any questions the candidate may have about the Hornby Scholarships

UK shortlisting and placing of candidates:

The final choice of candidates is based on these criteria:

- recommendation/comments of the local British Council staff
- the applicant's supporting arguments to applications
- the applicant's professional and academic background
- the applicant's English language competence
- equal opportunity and diversity issues.