

Criteria for *The Pastoral Review* Bursaries in Catholic Theology / Applied Theology

General

1. The bursaries are open to men and women, irrespective of age who are UK nationals or who have lived in the UK for the last 5 years.
2. Someone who has begun a course of studies may apply for a bursary to cover the remaining fees.
3. Someone who is unsuccessful will not automatically be excluded from consideration if he or she applies in subsequent year.
4. Someone who receives a bursary for one degree will not automatically be excluded from consideration for a bursary for a subsequent degree (e.g. PhD after MA).
5. The bursary will normally cover the fees (up to £4000 pa) for a postgraduate degree course at a higher educational institution in the United Kingdom plus a subscription to *The Pastoral Review* for the duration of the course.
6. The applicant must submit a personal statement on why he or she should receive the bursary. The applicant must show that he or she would find it difficult or impossible to carry out their studies without a bursary, and that he or she has made other attempts to find funding.

For Research Programmes

7. The course must be a research degree, either MPhil or PhD.
8. The piece of research undertaken (i.e. the thesis or dissertation) must be theological in character.
9. The piece of research undertaken must be judged to be apt to make a contribution to the life of the Catholic Church in the United Kingdom and/or to the cause of justice and the common good of society.
10. The applicant must write 500 words outlining the focus and methodology of the research to be undertaken and explaining how this fulfils the criteria.

For Taught Post-Graduate Programmes

11. The programme must be a taught course at Master's level, which includes a substantial research element in Catholic Theology/Applied Theology, (e.g. a dissertation).
12. The programme of study undertaken must be judged to be apt to make a contribution to the life of the Catholic Church in the United Kingdom and/or to the cause of justice and the common good of society.

Applications should include two referees who support the application. Recipients of any grant must be willing, at some point during the course of their studies, to share with other recipients the fruit of their studies.

Bursaries will be awarded in October and May of each year.

Completed applications should be returned to:

Dr Michael Hayes, *The Pastoral Review Bursaries*, St. Mary's University College,
Waldegrave Road, Strawberry Hill, Twickenham, United Kingdom, TW1 4SX

Application for *The Pastoral Review* Bursaries in Catholic Theology / Applied Theology

Name of Applicant:

Address:
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Telephone Number:

E-mail Address:

Date of Birth:

Title of course:

Place of study:
(Please attach a copy of your admission to the course).

Accrediting Body:
Qualifications
to be obtained:

Actual / Intended Start Date (*Month and Year*):

Duration of course:

Anticipated completion date:

Subjects covered (*full time or part time*):
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What are your anticipated expenses associated with attendance at this course?

Amount requested:

Over what period:

Total costs of course:

Please give details of any funding which you have **ALREADY FIRMLY SECURED** for fees and living costs for each year of your course.

State the values in UK pounds, **NOT** in your local currency.

Sources	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
Own funds	£	£	£	£
Government	£	£	£	£
Agencies & Foundations	£	£	£	£
(Please specify)				
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Parish	£	£	£	£
Private sponsor	£	£	£	£
Student loans	£	£	£	£
Other	£	£	£	£
(Please specify)				
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How did you hear about **The Pastoral Review Bursaries**?

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Educational or professional qualifications

Please list your educational or professional qualifications relevant to this application

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References: The following two questionnaires must be completed by either an academic instructor or an employer or supervisor.

Referee 1: *(You may wish to provide your reference on a separate sheet.)*

In what capacity and how long have you known the applicant?

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How firm is the applicant's commitment to his/her proposed field of study?

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In what way would the studies contribute to the applicant's academic or professional development?

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Additional comments:

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Name:
(Title or Position)

Institution:

Telephone Number:

E-mail Address:

Signed:

Date:

Referee 2: *(You may wish to provide your reference on a separate sheet.)*

In what capacity and how long have you known the applicant?

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Signed:

Date:

Have you ever held any scholarship or received any other bursaries?
 (Yes, please specify...)

- Please provide a statement describing, in no more than one typed A4 page, your reasons for applying; what you hope to gain from the scholarship; and how this course will benefit others.
- Please provide a copy of your C.V.

If your application is successful, *The Pastoral Review Bursaries* will only release funds to a registered charity. This may be a recipient's place of study, parish, or another charity which is prepared to accept and administer the award. Please indicate below which organisation would be able to fulfill this task on your behalf.

Host Charity:

Name of Contact:

Address:

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Telephone Number:

E-mail Address:

I certify that the information provided is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signed:

Date:

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