

Royal Commission for the Exhibition of 1851

Industrial Design Studentship

2024 Terms and Conditions

Background

The aim of the scheme is to stimulate industrial design capability among the country's most able graduates. Successful innovations need to be not only fit for purpose, they must also be technically feasible and desirable to their customers and the wider society in which we live. In the Commissioners' view, good design demands an interdisciplinary approach and cannot be dissociated from a clear understanding of the underlying technological, commercial, and social attributes of the product or service. It is for this reason that a good first degree in science or engineering is preferred, although students with other degrees will be considered.

Eligibility

- Resident in the UK.
- Intending to make a career in British Industry.
- Good first degree, normally in engineering/science but other degrees will be considered.
- Candidates will be expected to demonstrate precise analytical thinking, creativity and open-mindedness that will result in benefit to British industry.
- Must have obtained admission to a suitable postgraduate course, normally leading to a Masters degree in industrial design or in engineering with a particular focus on industrial design, and normally in the UK.
- Normally recently graduated.

Award

- All tuition fees, up to the normal UK course level for UK students.
- Stipend of £13,000 pa (plus £4,000 London Weighting where applicable).
- Allowance of £850 pa for materials.
- Travel allowance to support the cost of an international study trip where this is part of the studied course up to £500 pa.
- Duration is one year. A second year will be supported if the course demands it and the first year has been satisfactorily completed.

Applications

Application is through website online submission <https://1851awards.flexigrant.com>

This must include:

- Full CV, which gives details of past work experience
- Statement and evidence of interest and expectations in industrial design, including the intention to make a career in British Industry. Candidates whose first degree has an inbuilt design element must clearly justify the value to be gained by the further course in design.
- Evidence of acceptance for the intended course.
- Applications should include a reference from the candidate's first degree university or recent employer. Candidates who have already started their Masters course should include a reference from the Course Director.
- **Completed applications must be submitted by 25 April 2024 at 12pm BST.**

Interviews of shortlisted candidates will be held in June 2024. Fellowships must commence in the year of award, normally at the beginning of October.

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