



Saint Andrew's Society of the State of New York

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RE: Saint Andrew's Society of NY Scholarship for Graduate Study in Scotland

The Saint Andrew's Society of the State of New York, having granted over 225 scholarships since the inception of the above-captioned program in 1956, is pleased to announce that, three scholarships will be awarded for one year of graduate study in Scotland, commencing in the fall of 2026. We seek your endorsement of one graduating senior of Scottish descent for this opportunity.

Enclosed is the application and the qualification data sheet for posting in the appropriate area or by the department(s) responsible for supplying information on overseas graduate study.

Each year we notify 300 universities and colleges of our scholarship opportunities, and the applications we receive are uniformly impressive. Since the achievements and character of the candidates are most impressive, the selections process is very difficult indeed. Every candidate is thoroughly evaluated by our Scholarship Committee, and seldom do we find one who would not deserve a scholarship. Unfortunately, we have only three to award. If possible, we try to distribute our scholarships over the years to candidates from a variety of schools to foster an interest in Scotland and its academic institutions among a broad array of colleges and universities in this country. If your candidate has not been selected in recent years, or ever for that matter, please persevere and continue to recommend your candidates. Those whose candidacies have been successful have found their experience in Scotland most rewarding, and many have continued their relationship with the Society and Scotland long after their year of graduate study has ended.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or Brigid Tucker at the Society offices.

We look forward to your participation in this unique program.

Very truly yours,

Samuel F. Abernethy, Chairman
Scholarship Committee



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Scholarship for Graduate Study in Scotland

The Saint Andrew's Society of the State of New York has provided over 225 graduate scholarships to promote scholarship, cultural interchange and goodwill between Scotland and the United States since 1960. The following outlines eligibility and selection criteria for our 2026/2027 scholarships:

Senior undergraduate student who will obtain a Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in the Spring of 2026 and can demonstrate the significance of studying in Scotland. Proof of application to their selected school will be required for finalists. It is the Society's strong preference to consider only such Spring 2026 candidates.

Candidates should possess qualifications which will enable them to be good ambassadors for the United States while in Scotland. The basis for selection shall include the student's: (1) academic achievement; (2) extracurricular activities; (3) financial need; (4) clarity of career purpose in pursuing the graduate studies; (5) a statement that sets forth why the applicant wishes to continue his/her education, with clarity around the graduate study objective(s) to be achieved and why he/she wishes to study in Scotland; (6) some Scottish descent; and (7) proof of US Citizenship.

Only one applicant shall be considered from each institution per year. Candidates must reside or attend school **within 250 miles** of New York State.

Two Letters of reference from appropriate Professors are required.

The applicant must be endorsed as the student most qualified in a letter from the President of the institution.

An official transcript

An appropriate official, with knowledge of the applicant's financial status, should also certify that assistance would be required for a year of graduate study in Scotland.

The SAS Macmillan and the Saint Andrew's Scholarships provide funds to a total of **\$45,000** to be used initially against tuition, then board, transportation, and other expenses. Applications must be submitted by **December 15, 2025**, for study commencing in the fall of 2026. Interested students should request application forms through their institution or directly from us by writing, calling or faxing Brigid Tucker at the Society Office. Ph: 212-223-4248 | Fax: 212-223-0748.

It is the Committee's usual practice to invite six (6) finalists to a luncheon in New York City during February or early March. Following this interview, three (3) of these finalists will be awarded a scholarship for graduate study in Scotland.

Yours sincerely,

Samuel F. Abernethy, Chairman
Scholarship Committee