

The Military and Hospitaller Order of Saint Lazarus of Jerusalem

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The Lord Lothian Memorial Medical Elective Bursary Scheme

Announcement of Awards 2025-2026

The Order of St Lazarus is one of the oldest hospitaller Orders of Christian chivalry with members from all Christian denominations. The broad charitable aims of the Order are to work to alleviate leprosy and related conditions, support the care of the elderly and the disadvantaged young, with an emphasis on educational projects. The Order has also supported a wide range of medical charities, from eye projects in Africa to hospices in the UK.

The Order of St Lazarus is delighted to offer a number of bursaries to support medical or dental students on their elective studies. Students working in other medical related disciplines are also eligible to apply for these awards. Eligible candidates should be practicing Christians based in the UK and the bursaries are expected to be used within a year of being awarded.

The following link to the St Lazarus Charitable Trust website lists weekly reports from our previous four annual bursary students, and gives an idea of the type of projects that have been supported by this scheme: http://www.stlazaruscharitabletrust.org.uk/content/student-electives

Please see the enclosed notes overleaf for guidance on how to apply for these awards.

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Guidelines for Applicants 2025-2026

- 1. Four bursaries of up to £1500 each will be awarded to current UK medical and dental students (undergraduate and postgraduate) to support an elective project in the UK or overseas.
- 2. Students from other allied medical disciplines are also eligible to apply for these awards.
- 3. Applicants should be practicing Christians.
- 4. Applications should be emailed to Mr Daniel Morris at dsm@doctors.org.uk and should consist of:
 - i. A one page description of the proposed elective program and the bursary would be used.
 - ii. A one page CV.
 - iii. A brief supporting statement from your priest, pastor or minister.
 - iv. A statement from your educational institution confirming the elective project.
- 5. The elective must be completed within 12 months of receiving the award.
- 6. Applications will be assessed on the following criteria:
 - i. Evidence of a well-planned elective project.
 - ii. An elective project that aligns with the broad aims of the Order of St Lazarus.
 - iii. Evidence that the applicant is a practicing Christian.
 - iv. Projects in low income countries and those related to leprosy are more likely to be supported.
- 7. We are unable to accept handwritten applications.
- 8. The closing date for applications is 23:59 on Friday 5th October 2025
- 9. Interviews will take place via Zoom in November 2025.
- 10. Successful applicants will be informed shortly after the interviews and will receive a cheque/direct bank transfer.
- 11. If there are two candidates of equal merit who fulfil the requirements for a bursary the awarding panel may split the bursary and award two grants of £750.
- 12. It is expected that successful applicants will provide a weekly summary of their experience whilst on their elective.
- 13. A report summarising the elective experience, in no more than 1000 words, should be sent to Mr Daniel Morris at dsm@doctors.org.uk within 3 months of the end of the elective period. Submission of a report is a condition of the award and a certificate will not be issued without the report.

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