OUS Hertfordshire
Notes for 2018 undergraduate bursary

Background:
OUS Hertfordshire will again be offering one or more bursaries of up to £500 in total in 2018. The bursaries are available to local undergraduates to provide part-funding for projects involving travel, either overseas or in the UK. The bursaries are possible due to the generosity of the group’s local members, who are all alumni/ae of the university and contribute voluntarily to its ‘outreach’ fund.

The applicant:
a) The applicant’s home must be in Hertfordshire (NB: locations outside the county but with a Hertfordshire postal address do not qualify). Ideally s/he should also have been educated in Hertfordshire. If so, please name the school(s).

b) The project should usually be in the long vacation and the applicant should have at least one more year studying as an undergraduate at Oxford. Therefore the trip would usually take place at the end of the first or second year of study.

NOTE: those in the third year of a four-year course (e.g. biochemistry, modern languages) would qualify, whereas those in the third year of their undergraduate medical degree (i.e: pre-clinical) would not.

c) Must be prepared to help at the group’s outreach events (their information meeting for sixth-formers or freshers’ party, both in late September 2018).

The project will be judged on the following criteria:
d) Enriching the applicant’s University course
e) Altruistic element
f) Enterprising
g) Adventurous

The application:
- Must be no more than 200 words (excluding name, address etc.). If more than 200 words, the application will not be considered.
- Should give the estimated total cost of the project to the applicant and how much has been raised so far.
- Should contain a description of the project.
- Should state how the project fulfils the criteria above.
- Must include the applicant’s name, college, matriculation year, course, phone number, email address, home address (including post code) and school, if relevant (see a).

If the applicant has more than one potential trip (due to applications to more than one project/expedition), they should contact the group at the address below with details of the projects and their closing dates, as well as stating which would be the preferred option. The group will assess each separate travel project on its merits as above.

Please email applications to the group’s honorary secretary at: hertsec@hotmail.com, with the subject line ‘OUS Hertfordshire travel award 2018’

Please note the closing date for applications is 9am on Monday 30 April 2018.

Applicants will be notified of the results of their application by the end of May.