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CECIL KING TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP 2003

The Cecil King Memorial Foundation in 2001 established a Cecil King Travel Scholarship in Mathematics to the value of £5000, to be awarded annually to a young mathematician of outstanding promise, to support a period of study or research abroad for a typical period of three months, to enhance his or her studies and further his or her career development. The Scholarship will normally be awarded to a UK or Irish National under the age of 25 years, either registered for or having recently completed a doctoral degree at a UK University.

The award will be competitive and based on a written proposal describing the intended programme of study or research abroad and the benefits to be gained from such a visit, a short presentation and an interview.

The award will be made by the Council of the London Mathematical Society on the nomination of the Cecil King Prize Committee, whose members will be nominated by the Society's Education Committee.

The initial application should include:

1. A completed application form.

2. A short proposal (4 pages maximum) indicating the proposed programme of study abroad, the benefit of such an opportunity in advancing the candidate's studies, and an indication of the Institute that the candidate wishes to visit.

3. A letter of support from the Head of their Department, or from their Research Supervisor.

The initial applications will then be considered by the Cecil King Prize Committee, which will select up to six candidates for interview. Selected candidates will be asked to approach the intended research institution or research leader to be visited, to confirm that a visit would indeed be welcomed if an award were made. They will then be invited to make a brief presentation to the Cecil King Prize Committee on their proposed research and the benefits to be gained from the visit abroad.

Final ratification of the award will require formal confirmation from the institution/person to be visited, indicating their willingness to welcome the visit and to provide whatever supervision and research facilities might be needed. Any supervision or other fees will be paid from the Prize.

At the end of the visit, the student will be expected to write a short report to the Cecil King Memorial Foundation, indicating the activities and benefits gained from the visit.

Application forms may be obtained from the Executive Secretary, The London Mathematical Society, De Morgan House, 57–58 Russell Square, London WC1B 4HS (email: lms@lms.ac.uk) or from the Society's website (http://www.lms.ac.uk/activities/prizes_com/). The closing date for applications is Friday 7 February 2003. It is hoped that the Scholarship will be awarded before the end of March 2003.

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