Student Guidance - The Amal Clooney Scholarship for Human Rights Advocates

This application has two stages. The first stage is a multiple-choice question (MCQ) assessment, and the second stage is a written project proposal.

First Stage

The MCQ assessment consists of an article followed by a series of related questions. In order to progress to the second stage, a score of 8 out of 11 points is required. Applicants should only make one submission. If multiple submissions are received, only the first will be considered.

Second Stage

Upon completion of the first stage, successful applicants will receive an email with a link to a form in which they are asked to draft a proposal for a larger written project demonstrating an interest in the study of human rights. You will **not** be expected to undertake the larger written project as part of this application, simply propose a title, supported with a summary paragraph of 500 words, a selection of research questions and some texts that you may refer to.

Once again, applicants should only make one submission and only the first submission will be considered, so please ensure that you are happy with your proposal before you hit submit. Further information on each section of the Written Project Proposal is outlined below.

*** Please be aware that any project undertaken in the future will remain subject to ethics committee approval regardless of the shortlisting decision or outcome of this application. ****

Written Project Title

In this section, you should propose a title for your written project. You should think about your title in the same way you might consider a dissertation title. It should pose a question that you hope to answer in your project and the question should be possible to answer in the scope of a larger written project. Ensure it is:

- Concise and relevant
- Specific and critical rather than general and observational

Summary Paragraph

This paragraph should serve as an introduction to the topic and be no more than 500 words. It should elaborate on your title, outlining the aims and objectives of your project and the debates that you will explore. However, we do not expect you to draw any conclusions, only hypothesise. It should be understandable to a layman; key terms should be explained, and jargon avoided.

We have added an additional optional field to this section to allow you to reference any citations should you wish.

Key Research Questions

This should be 2-3 questions that you plan to answer in your written project. They should be questions that need to be explored in order to answer the overall project. Ensure they are relevant and contribute to the goals of the project. They should not be too general and provide appropriate scope for a written project.

Sample Reading List

A selection of works that you may use to inform the broader written piece and research issues surrounding your topic. Please do not exceed 5 texts.

What We're Looking For

- Unique Ideas.
- Questions that can be feasibly addressed in the scope of a larger dissertation project.
- Focussed submissions that consider specific problems or questions.
- Questions that give opportunity for in-depth critical analysis.
- Choice of suitably complex problems which are effectively and clearly communicated.
- Attention to detail.

For further information on our marking criteria please refer to the terms and conditions of this scholarship.