Frank Knox Memorial Fellowships at Harvard University

Introduction

The Frank Knox Memorial Fellowships were established at Harvard University by Annie Reid Knox in honour of her late husband Frank Knox who served as Secretary of the U.S. Navy in the 1940s. Frank Knox believed that strong ties between the United States and the British Commonwealth were essential to international peace.

The Frank Knox Memorial Fellowship program promotes this legacy through scholarly exchange, in part by providing fellowships to students from Australia, Canada, New Zealand, and the United Kingdom who wish to conduct graduate study at one of Harvard University’s graduate or professional schools:

Frank Knox Memorial Fellows will be selected on the basis of future promise of leadership. Strength of character, a keen mind, a balanced judgement and devotion to the democratic ideal will be qualities borne in mind in making the final selection.

Mrs Knox expressed the hope that holders of the fellowships, after gaining knowledge and experience from study away from their native land, will return to their home to become leaders in their chosen fields.

Eligibility

Knox Fellowships are open to men and women who:

a) are New Zealand citizens at the time of application, normally resident in New Zealand; and
b) have completed or will complete a first or higher degree at a New Zealand university; and

c) are studying for a first or higher degree and will be eligible to graduate in the year of application; or

have completed a first or higher degree and graduated no earlier than four years prior to year of application.
Please note that persons who graduated more than four years prior to year of application are not eligible to apply.

Applications will not be considered from students already in the United States.

Applications will not be considered for undergraduate study or for post-doctoral research.

**Applications**

People interested in applying for a Frank Knox Fellowship should complete an application using the Universities NZ on-line scholarships application website: [https://universitiesnz.communityforce.com](https://universitiesnz.communityforce.com)

The closing date by which applications must be complete, with references included, and submitted through the on-line website is 1 November.

Incomplete applications will not be able to be submitted.

**Applications through country of citizenship**

Citizens of New Zealand who are currently studying at or have recently graduated from a university in another Knox-eligible country (Australia, Canada or the United Kingdom) may be eligible to submit a Knox Fellowship application. This will be handled on a case-by-case basis and candidates should contact Rebecca Lock rbauerlock@fas.harvard.edu at the Committee on General Scholarships at Harvard University to discuss their particular circumstances.

**Referees**

Applicants should note that at least one of the people chosen to provide a confidential report must be able to comment on the qualities outlined in the Introduction section of this document.

**University Nomination**
Universities NZ will send applications to the Scholarships Office at the applicant’s New Zealand university. The applications will be assessed by the appropriate scholarships/postgraduate committee of that university.

Each university may then nominate a limited number of applications to Universities NZ.

National Selection
The Scholarships Committee of Universities NZ will review all applications for the Frank Knox Fellowships nominated by the universities.

Those selected for nomination by this committee are ranked and sent to Harvard for final consideration.

The decisions made by the Scholarships Committee of Universities NZ are final and no correspondence will be entered into following the selection meeting.

Admission to Harvard
To be considered for a Frank Knox Fellowship candidates must apply for and gain admission to one of the full time degree programs offered by the graduate and professional schools at Harvard University.

Admission to a school is a prior condition to the award of a Frank Knox Fellowship.

Candidates must apply directly to the school of their choice and must meet the admissions timetable and requirements of that particular school.

Knox Fellowship applicants seeking admission to Harvard Law School should have completed their resident university education and hold a basic degree in Law before applying for an advanced degree programme such as the Master of Laws (LLM).
Limitations
Frank Knox Fellowships do not support medical research, post-doctoral research, or any other research appointment.

Frank Knox Fellowships are not available for part-time programs, on-line programs, or Executive Education programs.

Frank Knox Fellows must be in residence in the Cambridge/Boston area for the entire academic year(s) during the first two years of their degree program. (The fellowships will not support students whose programs require extensive field-work during this period.)

Fellowship Value
A Knox Fellowship pays full Harvard tuition and mandatory health insurance fees and provides a stipend sufficient to cover a student’s living expenses for the 10-month academic year.

Knox Fellowship funding is guaranteed for up to two years of study at Harvard for students in degree programs requiring more than one year of study.

More details are available at: http://frankknox.harvard.edu/what-knox-fellowship
Harvard University Graduate and Professional Schools

Graduate School of Arts and Sciences  www.gsas.harvard.edu/
Harvard Business School  http://www.hbs.edu/
Graduate School of Design  http://www.gsd.harvard.edu/
Harvard Divinity School  http://www.hds.harvard.edu/
Graduate School of Education  http://www.gse.harvard.edu/
Kennedy School of Government  http://www.hks.harvard.edu/
Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health  http://www.hsph.harvard.edu/
Harvard Medical School  http://hms.harvard.edu/
Harvard School of Dental Medicine  http://www.hsdm.harvard.edu/
The Harvard John A. Paulson School of Engineering and Applied Sciences  http://www.seas.harvard.edu/