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The Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission's (MACC) report to His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs.

Pursuant to Section 2(6) of the Marshall Aid Commemoration Act 1953, we have the honour to submit the report of the Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission for the year ending 30 September 2024.



## Welcome from Mr John Raine, MACC Chair

The 2023-2024 academic year was a dynamic and forward-looking period for the Marshall Scholarship Programme, marked by institutional change, deeper bilateral alignment, and continued academic excellence among our Scholars.

In September 2023, we welcomed 41 new Marshall Scholars from across the United States. As ever, the incoming class reflected exceptional academic promise, wide-ranging interests, and a deep commitment to public service. Orientation took place in London with a full in-person programme designed to help Scholars quickly adapt to their new environment and to engage immediately with the United Kingdom's rich cultural and intellectual life.



2024 Departing scholars



2024 Welcome Reception

Scholars pursued graduate study across a broad spectrum of disciplines - from STEM and the social sciences to the humanities and creative arts - at universities across the UK. In addition to their academic work, they benefited from a wide variety of co-curricular activities supported by the MACC and the Association of Marshall Scholars (AMS) – the alumni association for Marshall Scholars – all of which contributed to a deeper understanding of the UK's institutions, society, and role on the global stage.

In May, we said farewell to our graduating Scholars with a celebratory dinner at Ironmonger's Hall in London, where we heard their inspiring stories and reflections on their Marshall journey. The event was followed by the annual joint farewell reception for all Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) Scholarship recipients, held

at the Alexandra Palace in London - part of our ongoing effort to strengthen cross-scheme ties with the Chevening and Commonwealth Scholarship programmes, and provide Marshall Scholars with opportunities to broaden their global networks.

A highlight of the year was the continued implementation of the UK-US Atlantic Declaration, which reaffirms the special relationship between our two nations and has had a direct impact on the Marshall Programme. In particular, we welcomed its commitment to increasing the Grant-in-Aid funding provided by the FCDO, enabling MACC to expand the number of Marshall Scholarships awarded for the 2024-25 academic year and enhance the support provided to Scholars throughout their time in the UK. The 71st Class of Marshall Scholars was formally announced in December 2023 following the Ambassador's Advisory Council (AAC) meeting in Washington DC. The AAC discussions were a valuable opportunity to reflect on the Marshall selection process, review programme priorities, and thank the remarkable network of volunteer interviewers whose dedication continues to make the Programme possible.

Within MACC, the year brought significant structural developments. The Commission completed the transfer of its Secretariat and administrative support to the British Council, following a competitive tender process. This new contract involves closer administrative collaboration with the Chevening Scholarship programme and reflects

MACC's commitment to operational innovation and efficiency. We are grateful to the British Council for their commitment to delivering a high-quality service to Marshall Scholars and stakeholders.

In January 2024, we were pleased to appoint the Programme's first Chief Executive Officer, Dr. Emily Charnock. Dr. Charnock joined us with a deep understanding of the transatlantic relationship, higher education, and UK Government policy. Her leadership will play a key role as the Commission seeks to further modernise and future-proof the Programme, while maintaining the Marshall Scholarships' founding values of academic excellence and international understanding. We also advanced key areas of governance, including reviewing our safeguarding policies, progressing digital improvements, and strengthening our partnerships across HMG-funded scholarship schemes.

The Programme remains in good financial health. This year, 44 of the 75 Scholars overall in the UK were co-funded by Marshall Partner institutions. We are grateful for the continued support of these partners, as well as generous contributions from alumni via the AMS, the Marshall Sherfield Scholarship Fund, and the Annenberg Foundation.

As we look towards the 70th anniversary of the Marshall Scholarship programme – celebrating the arrival of the first class of Marshall Scholars in Autumn 1954 - we draw renewed inspiration and strength from the Programme's rich legacy. On behalf of the MACC, I extend my sincere thanks to all who contribute to its continued success: our Scholars, Commissioners, alumni, partners, volunteers, and staff.

John Raine CMG OBE

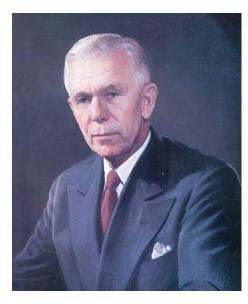
Chair, Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission

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## **Commission Membership and Meetings**

## The Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission

The Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission Act was passed by the British Parliament in 1953 in order to express gratitude to the American people for the post-war support and assistance conceived by Secretary of State George C Marshall, subsequently known as the Marshall Plan. The Parliamentary Act created postgraduate Scholarships in the United Kingdom for American students with the potential to excel in their chosen fields of study and future careers. As alumni of UK Universities and as members of the community during their stay in the UK, Marshall Scholars create lasting bridges



Secretary of State, George C Marshall

between the United States and the United Kingdom and become advocates for greater depth and breadth of interaction, co-operation and mutual understanding between the two countries. Scholars also participate in activities which make them effective spokespeople for the best in British society and education and, once they have completed their studies, continue to support the furtherance of international co-operation in the spirit of the Marshall Plan.

Each year up to 50 Marshall Scholarships are awarded, many in partnership with outstanding UK Universities, thus providing continuing recognition for the generosity of

the past while supporting the promise of the future. This unique testament plays a valuable role in developing a constituency for the UK in the United States of America.

The programme is largely funded by HM Government through the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) alongside partnerships with UK Universities and others and is administered in Britain by the Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission, with the support of the British Embassy in Washington DC, and the Consulates-General in Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, and San Francisco. His Majesty The King is Honorary Patron of the Association of Marshall Scholars (AMS).



# **Meetings and MACC Membership**

In 2023/24 regular business meetings of the Commission were held on 12 October, 26 January, 31 March, and 28 June. The Commission's Scholar Experience Committee (SEC), Education, and Audit and Risk Management (ARM) Committees also met on several occasions. The Ambassador's Advisory Council met on 11 December 2023.

As of September 2024, Commission members are as follows. Further details can be found in Section 18 of this report, including a note of their membership of the Education, ARM and SEC Committees. Due to a delay in the recruitment process for new Commissioners, six new

Commissioners are not included in the list below.

Mr John Raine CMG OBE (Chair) Mr Adrian Green **Professor Adam Smith Professor Leslie Vinjamuri Professor Chris Millward Dr Andrew Bell Professor Sarah Wolffe** Ms Anulika Ajufo **Professor Richard Black Professor Frances Brodsky** 

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Commissioners are publicly appointed and are unpaid. The Alumni Observers on the Commission are:

# **Professor Jonathan Erichsen Dr Benjamin Heineike**

Full details of the membership of the Ambassador's Advisory Council and of the Regional Selection Committees, as of the date of the selection interviews for the 2024 awards, are provided in Section 18 of this report..



Welcome Reception 2024

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## Scholars in the UK 2023/24

## **Scholarship Funding Analysis**

In the academic year 2023-24, 74 Marshall Scholars were studying in the UK of whom 33 were fully funded by the Commission, three were fully funded by external partners or alumni and 38 supported to varying degrees under partnership arrangements with UK academic institutions as set out below. This support is vital to the scale and sustainability of the Marshall Scholarship Programme.

### **Three Scholars**

- University of Edinburgh
- King's College London (KCL)
- London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)

#### **Two Scholars**

- Cardiff University
- King's College, Cambridge\*
- Imperial College London
- SOAS, University of London
- University College London (UCL)
- New College, Oxford
- University of St Andrews

### **One Scholar**

- University of Bristol
- University of Birmingham
- Clare College, Cambridge\*
- Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge
- St John's College, Cambridge

- Trinity College, Cambridge
- University College London\*
- Balliol College, Oxford
- Brasenose College, Oxford\*\*
- Exeter College, Oxford
- Magdalen College, Oxford
- St Peter's College, Oxford
- Somerville College, Oxford
- Trinity College, Oxford
- University College, Oxford
- University of Sheffield
- University of Southampton
- University of York
- \* Fully funded by external partners (Association of Marshall Scholars (AMS) (one Scholar), the British Schools and Universities Foundation (BSUF) (one Scholar) and the Cambridge Commonwealth Trust (one Scholar).
- \*\* this award is the Brasenose-Blavatnik-Marshall Scholarship with three-way fees funding (Brasenose, Blavatnik and Marshall)

It should be noted that as part of the 74 scholars, eight who were members of the US Military, only received 50% of the stipend as agreed with the US Military. The value of the Oxford Marshall Scholarship and Cambridge Marshall PhD Scholarship, both of which fund doctoral study beyond the two years, can contribute to lower costs to the Commission and one Scholar received this funding in the year under review.

One 2021 Scholar who had requested a leave of absence during the 2022-23 academic year returned to complete during the 2023-24 academic year and is counted in these figures.

The Commission remains focused on sustaining third party support following its significant growth in recent years, particularly for the core Scholarships Programme. This enables more awards to be made than would otherwise be the case. In 2023-24 overall third-party support was over £1.3m. In addition, the Marshall Sherfield Fellow was supported by private funds from the Marshall Sherfield Fellowship Foundation.

## **Academic Disciplines Studied**

26 Scholars pursued courses in Science and Engineering, including Mathematics, and 48 in the Humanities, Social Sciences and Creative/ Performing Arts. The percentage of Scholars undertaking Science and Engineering Subjects is slightly higher than last year.

This breadth of subjects chosen by the Scholars enriches the programme and meets the Commission's objective to contribute to the advancement of knowledge in science, technology, the humanities and social sciences and the creative arts at Britain's centres of academic excellence.

As future leaders, Scholars are studying programmes in Migration Studies, International Development and Humanitarian Emergencies, Applied Digital Health, Global Environment, Politics, and Society and Bioscience Enterprise as well as undertaking cutting-edge research in subjects including Biochemistry, Computer Science and Engineering.

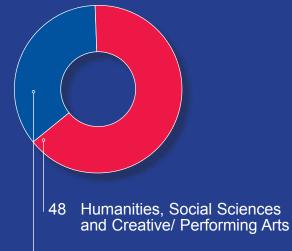
## Distribution of Scholars at UK institutions 2023/24



# Number of new Scholarships per year



# Academic disciplines 2021/2022



26 Science and Engineering, including Mathematics

## **Scholars Graduating 2024**



Departing Scholars' Dinner May 2024

34 Scholars completed tenure of their awards in 2024. These Scholars, who are registered for Doctorates or research/taught Master's programmes, will complete the requirements for their degrees in the coming months.

The examination results of 25 Scholars in total were received during the year – the result for one Scholar from the 2018 class was collected, one result from the 2020 class, 20 results from the 2021 class and three results from one-year 2022 Scholars. One of these obtained a Doctorate, the rest obtained Master's degrees. The names of all Scholars on whom degrees were conferred during 2023/2024 or for whom the Commission received results, are listed at the end of this Report (Page 82).

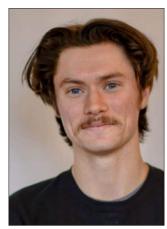
Three Scholars were granted an extension for a third year of their tenure in 2024/2025: one funded by the Oxford Marshall DPhil Scholarship (Oxford Trust).



## Scholars' Experiences

### **Jackson Foster**

I graduated from the University of Alabama with a BA (Hons) in history and religion, and with minors in computational research and the liberal arts. During my Marshall Scholarship, I pursued master's degrees in medieval and early modern studies — at St Chad's College, Durham — and criminology and criminal justice — at Exeter College, Oxford. I completed both courses with distinction marks.



Jackson Foster

My scholarship consists primarily of two themes: how social, economic, and political conditions shape the definitions and expressions of crime, and how the state regulates and actualizes death. My time in Durham culminated in numerous papers and a dissertation on interpersonal conflict and violence, capital punishment, and the evolution of law and governance throughout the Tudor period. Embracing my palaeographic obsession, I helped transcribe, translate, and catalogue Durham Cathedral's oldest deeds; I also organized an eight-week course on medieval and early modern leisure for members of the local community. Whilst at the Oxford Centre for Criminology, I interned with the Death Penalty Research Unit. In this challenging and inspiring role, I examined the obstacles to full and formal capital punishment abolition in Belize. My work will be used by the Death Penalty Project to develop strategies for abolitionist advocacy and litigation — in Belize and the

Commonwealth Caribbean more broadly. Critically, these academic experiences have prepared me to support senior scholars and their research as a Program Specialist for the National Endowment for the Humanities.

I chose the UK because I found romantic the prospect of practicing history in a place where it remains so deeply ingrained. My daily walks were characterized by elegant medieval architecture; I often woke up from afternoon naps to the ringing of the centuries-old bells. Such a sense of romance therefore never waned, nor did my keen appreciation of the UK's customs, culture, and people. To that latter end, my colleges — welcoming, kind, truly homey — and sports (namely, soccer, cricket, and rowing) contributed greatly. Perhaps my proudest extra-curricular effort was making Exeter's first boat for Summer Eights, in which I chopped my way up the Isis to the amusement of over one-thousand spectators. In all, my Marshall tenure has proven one of my life's chief joys and adventures. I am infinitely grateful.

## Isabelle Galko

Isabelle is originally from Austin,
Texas and graduated from Southern
Methodist University, where she studied
environmental sciences, public policy,
and human rights. Her research interests
include coastal ecology, climate change,
and environmental justice. In the UK,
she spent her first year as a Marshall
Scholar at King's College London, where
she earned an MSc in Climate Change:
Environment, Science and Policy. In this



Isabelle Galko

programme, she researched environmental change on barrier islands, and conducted fieldwork in rural Virginia to learn from local perspectives on climate change and small-scale fisheries. She spent her second year at University College London studying aquatic ecology and conservation. Her second dissertation focused on seabird ecology and included many hours observing terns in North Norfolk. On these two programmes in the UK, she learned from British perspectives on climate change and biodiversity conservation. She has particularly enjoyed her time traveling around the UK, highlights including surveying Atlantic salmon in Scottish rivers, fossil-hunting in Dorset, and taking sediment cores on Loch Ness. Next, she will be working at Oregon State University to support NOAA's Gulf Of Alaska Climate Integrated Modelling Project by assessing the vulnerability of key groundfish stocks to climate change in Alaska.

### **Nicolas Graber-Mitchell**

Nicolas 'Cole' Graber-Mitchell grew up in Minneapolis, Minnesota and attended Amherst College. After graduating with a BA in Mathematics and Law, Jurisprudence, and Social Thought, he did two master's programmes while a Marshall Scholar. He studied Anthropology at the London School of Economics and Political Science, and he studied Law at



Nicolas Graber-Mitchell

SOAS, University of London. His first dissertation explored how climate science's affects and representations of Indigenous Arctic people; his second investigated the use of religious family law in England. His publications include a book on lethal injection, an article on elections in catastrophe, and an article on technology, speech, and privacy. Outside his academic career, Cole is an activist for progressive causes. Cole chose to study in the United Kingdom because of the shared legal, political, and social trajectory of the US and the UK: today, they both grapple with many of the problems on which he wants to work. In the UK, he fell in love not only with his home, London, but also the rest of Britain, which he explored from Looe to Skye. He also became a fiend for a good pie or pasty.

### Kade Heckel

Kade commissioned as a Cyber Warfare Engineer from the United States Naval Academy in 2022, where he double majored in Computer Science and Computer Engineering with coursework on Al and cybersecurity. While in Annapolis Kade Hec he was a member of the competitive Cyber Security Team all four years and interned at multiple US intelligence agencies. As a Marshall Scholar in England, Kade studied at the Universities of Sussex and Cambridge, earning degrees in AI and machine learning respectively. His graduate research spans from neuromorphic computing which aims to use principles from biology to make Al models more efficient to AI safety where he is investigating the risk of open source large language models being misused to enhance automated cyber attacks. He chose to study in England to both pursue world class education and gain a deeper appreciation for the special UK-USA relationship whose roots lie in the decades old Five Eyes intelligence sharing agreement. The connections he has made with the Alan Turing Institute and the UK AI Safety Institute and other UK agencies will be valuable as he returns to military service at US Cyber Command. Additionally, he cherishes the lifelong friendships he has formed with the other Marshall Scholars and learning about their passions and visions for the future.



### **Grace Kim**

For most of my life, I have grown up in Montgomery County, Maryland. I'm one of three daughters of two doting South Korean immigrant parents- it is through their love and support I've reached this far in my academic career.



Grace kim

I am also a proud First Generation Low Income (FGLI) student, and the first to receive
a graduate degree within my family. Graduating from
Harvard University, I received a Bachelor's of Science
in Engineering Sciences in the Aerospace and Robotics
Track.

I grew interest in satellites after joining the Harvard Satellite Team in undergrad, where we tried to build our own cube satellite from scratch. Although these cube satellites are tiny in comparison to the larger satellites found from satellite constellations like Starlink, operated by SpaceX, this experience was able to inspire me to continue learning about satellites and their immense importance in our current global economy and ongoing technological advancements.

After spending those four years in Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA, I had the privilege of taking on the Marshall Scholarship and moving for a year to Cambridge, UK to study at the University of Cambridge. I completed my Master's degree in Advanced Computer Science, and conducted research with the Cambridge Machine Learning Systems Lab (CaMLSys) for my dissertation on Federated Learning for Satellite Constellations.

With my background in aerospace engineering, I was excited to bring in my expertise on satellite constellations and find ways to train Machine Learning (ML) models directly on-board satellites. By utilizing federated learning onto satellite constellations, we can train models on the local data available on each satellite, allowing each satellite to learn locally from its unique observations and environmental conditions. Through federated learning, my research worked on transforming satellite constellations into more intelligent, and autonomous self-learning networks. I specifically focused on how to harness the specific environmental constraints found within a satellite constellation, and reframe this in a way that could be best employed through Federated Learning.

Presenting my research at the Oxford Cambridge Women in Computer Science 2024 conference, I was awarded the first place poster prize in the Masters student division. I also was awarded a highly commended award from our department for the entire dissertation submission.

Outside of my graduate schooling in the university, I also became a member of Gonville and Caius College, and joined the post graduate community in our Middle Common Room (MCR). At Caius, I became an active member of our college rowing boat club, waking up at 5am to meet the rising sun during the cold and wet Cambridge winters. In May 2024, we finished our annual May bumps race: a 4-day event where over twenty Cambridge residential colleges line up their boats along the Cam river. All of these boats are racing simultaneously, following one after another, attempting to "bump" the boats in front of them to move up in the rankings. Each of the racing days are filled with excitement, with the adrenaline rushes making us forget about the blisters on our hands, or the burning feelings of our calves as each crew of boats row at full speed for over three kilometres. Rowing has been one of the highlights of my experiences at Cambridge. I'm so thankful that my British housemate convinced me to try the sport, as I've built so many lasting friendships with the girls who rowed with me on my crew.

I also have many other fond memories as well during my time in the UK, taking long train ride weekend trips with the other Marshalls in our class. From visiting the beaches in Brighton, the hikes in Keswick, ceilidh dances in Edinburgh, little pub dinners in Ely, the musicals in London, and the Rhodes Marshall football games in Oxford, there are an endless number of lovely memories I've had the joy of making.

Continuing past the Marshall program in the fall of 2024, I started my Ph.D. at Stanford University in the Aeronautics and Astronautics (AeroAstro) department. Expanding on my current research topics of federated learning for satellite constellations, I now will explore important topics such as spacecraft orbital awareness, safety, and collision avoidance. It will be one of my utmost priorities to continue international collaborations for research through my current contacts at Cambridge at the MLSys lab. Having completed this journey, I am able to start the next chapter of my academic chapter having grown immensely both as a researcher and as an individual with hopes to better the communities that I've become a part of.

## **Abrita Kuthumi**

I studied Political Science and International Affairs with a minor in English at the University of New Hampshire. After dual BA degrees, I studied for an MA in International Education and Development at Sussex University and an MSc in Modern South Asian Area Studies at Oxford University.



**Abrita** Kuthumi

My MSc thesis, which earned a distinction, 'UNMASKED: Understanding the Influence of (Invisible) Disability Perceptions on Nepalese Educational Policy,' explored how disability is conceptualized and translated into policy. The most significant contribution of my research has been the bridge created between disability studies and other disciplines, examining diverse aspects of disability through the lenses of international education, development, and medical anthropology. My experiences in the UK, including academic conferences, lectures, and activities,

have enriched my understanding of disability in various contexts. Notable events include the Annual Disability Lecture: Changing the Disability Narrative on April 30 at Blavatnik School of Government, the US Autism Association Conference on April 19-21, the Education and Inequity: Perspectives from South Asia research symposium on May 25 at the Oxford India Centre for Sustainable Development at Somerville College, and the Disability Story Circle on June 4, led by fellow Marshall scholar Anna Landre. Lessons around networking and technical writing are experiences that I intend to carry with me moving forward.

### **Anna Landre**

My name is Anna Landre and I am a wheelchair-using activist & researcher across various dimensions of disability movements, culture, and policy. I grew up in Howell, New Jersey and completed my undergraduate degree in Regional and Comparative Studies (RCST) of



Anna Landre

Latin America and Africa (minor in Disability Studies) at Georgetown University in May 2021. While there, I found my passion for working in disability justice and culture transnationally. I had formative experiences fighting for my own rights as a disabled person as I tried to access education and disability services, and was lucky enough to study abroad in Florianópolis, Brazil to understand the landscape of disability experience there. Immediately before my Marshall Scholarship, I worked as a Fellow for the late Judy Heumann, the American "Mother of Disability Rights."

In my first year in the UK, I lived in London and got my MSc in International Development and Humanitarian Emergencies at the London School of Economics (LSE). For my dissertation I wrote about my work evacuating people with disabilities from the war in Ukraine amid significant disability inclusion gaps in the mainstream humanitarian response there. I earned the "Best Overall Student" awarded for having the highest marks in my program.

I am still undergoing my second Marshall-funded degree, a PhD in Computer Science at The Global Disability Innovation Hub (GDI Hub) at University College London. My research consists of studying and mapping Disabled People's Organizations (DPOs) which exist across the world in unknown members as key parts of disability movements. Thus far I have collected 2,500 such organizations, and in addition to writing about how they network and communicate among themselves for my dissertation, I plan to release my data as a free, public resource.

I chose to study in the UK because of its rich disability rights history and culture, and I cannot overstate the value of the Marshall Scholarship for my educational and personal development. My research and advocacy has flourished thanks to the atmosphere and opportunities for this work in the UK, and I have made strong connections with UK colleagues working in this field who have become close colleagues and friends. Post-Marshall, I will continue my PhD research for two more years before working in the disability sector.

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## **Kennedy Miller**

Kennedy Blair Miller is a 2022 Marshall Scholar from North Carolina. She received a Bachelor of Music in Voice Performance and a Bachelor of Arts in English & Comparative Literature from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where she was a Carolina Scholar and graduated with highest distinction. As a Marshall Scholar,



Kennedy Miller

Kennedy studied Vocal Studies at the Royal Academy of Music in London. Kennedy chose to study in the UK because of the highly-tailored individual training singers receive at British conservatoires. The opportunities to perform diverse repertoire daily at the Royal Academy of Music have contributed to an incredible development in Kennedy's vocal and performance skills. Kennedy's research and performance interests involve an explicit intersection of opera/classical song and women's studies. Her degree culminated in a dissertation and lecture recital about three 19th century German composers who wrote Lieder as girls and young women. During her time at the Royal Academy of Music, Kennedy collaborated with British composer Mary Offer to write a brand-new song cycle called 'Girl, Woman, \_\_\_\_\_,' which explores the positionalities which change, evolve, or deepen between girlhood and womanhood. Kennedy performed the cycle along with musicians from the Royal Academy of Music at the Students Create Festival and the Empower Festival in London in 2024. Kennedy will remain in London this year to continue training with her voice teacher as she prepares for an audition tour in the US, UK, and Europe for entry to an opera programme in 2025.

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## Sejahari Saulter-Villegas

www.sejahari.com.

Sejahari Saulter-Villegas is a multidisciplinary storyteller from Chicago using his voice to uplift and advocate for underrepresented stories in film, music, Sejahari theatre, spoken word and fashion. From the fall of 2022 until the fall of 2024, he Saulterhas had the honour of being a Marshall Villegas Scholar at both Goldsmiths University earning a Master's degree in Race, Media and Social Justice, and at the London Film Academy/ University of Derby, earning a Master's in Filmmaking. His intentions when moving to London were to expand his artistic and academic network through researching and creating at the intersections of underground artistic and social movements. Since being in London, Sejahari has garnered a strong artistic community of more than 50 artists, through working on many different projects. He was selected as one of the featured artists in the Reframe Residency and arts exhibition in partnership with Apple and the Southbank Centre. This exhibition toured to both Birmingham and Manchester where Sejahari also performed original music and showcased his expertise as both a musician and filmmaker. During this time Sejahari also directed a short form documentary for the Arts Council Collection and most recently has been awarded as a winning director for his short film The Grasp of Death (2024) at the Next Step Film Festival in Venice. He is planning to continue submitting to film festivals around the globe with hopes of getting funding for his next short film entitled Primary. Feel free to keep up with his journey at



## **Emma San Martin**

I was born in Chile and raised in New York, just a half-hour from my Alma Mater, the United States Military Academy (USMA) at West Point. After learning that turbulence is the "last great unsolved problem of classical physics," I added the aeronautics minor to my mechanical engineering major and began pursuing aerospace. As a cadet, I published studies on rotor blade design and quadrotor aerometers.



Emma San Martin

on rotor blade design and quadrotor aeromechanics to the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, developed a drone carburettor de-icer (U.S. Patent pending), and worked with the Army Development Command to develop a wind profile generator for drone testing. I graduated with a Bachelor of Science and commissioned into the Army's Military Intelligence branch, determined to apply my technical background towards international security.

After a post-graduation summer of test flights and lab equipment upgrades at USMA, I was ready to wipe the grease off my hands and return to the theoretical side of things! During the first year of my Marshall Scholarship, I pursued the 'aero' side of aerospace: a taught MSc in Aerospace Engineering at the University of Glasgow with all the theory one could wish for. My schedule overflowed with flight dynamics and simulation, control systems and navigation, viscous fluid physics, aeroelastics, aeromechanics, astrodynamics, and more. During the design project module, my team designed an entire helicopter, from tail-rotor to blade-tips!

I had been delighted to discover the UK's aerospace research community to be much less insulated than that in the US; while American engineers tend to publish and present only 'at home', engineers in the UK constantly work with institutions all across the world. The variety of perspectives (and wealth of data!) create a dynamic and highly collaborative atmosphere. For instance, the Group for Aeronautical Research and Technology in Europe (GARTEUR) pursues a multinational cooperative mission to compile high-resolution experimental and computational data from labs in the UK, Germany, France, Italy, and the Netherlands. My Glasgow thesis, a computational fluid dynamics (CFD) examination of dual-rotor acoustics and performance, contributed directly to GARTEUR and will be published in an upcoming issue of the Journal of Aerospace Science and Technology.

This degree also led to an interest in orbital mechanics, which led in turn to my second-year plan. During a second taught MSc in Astronautics and Space Engineering from Cranfield University, I switched to the 'space' side of aerospace. My studies spanned rocket propulsion, space mission and payload design, spacecraft attitude control, launch and re-entry, and many more topics. During both semesters, I also worked on a team creating an interactive software tool for the lunar research community. Individual technologies may be abstracted into this customizable framework to examine broader system-level behaviours, promoting top-down mission planning and more efficient utilization of research resources.

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My October 2024 thesis, is a first-time collaboration between Cranfield and the U.S. Army Research Labs (ARL). This exploratory CFD examination seeks to elucidate shockwave mechanics at the cutting edge (literally!) of a supersonic combustion ramjet inlet, with applications to reusable air-breathing launch vehicles. After completing my thesis, I immediately transitioned to active-duty service as an intelligence officer, posting to Germany in 2025. I am currently deferring a National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, through which I hope to pursue a PhD after completing my service commitment.

I was deeply honoured by my selection for the Marshall Scholarship. Considering my branch within the Army, the close relationship between our nations' intelligence communities made the decision particularly significant. I felt that the political and academic communities of both the UK and the US had entrusted me to continue exploring in aerospace research and development, applying it to protect both of our nations. My time in the UK taught me the value of a top-down perspective and international collaboration in the achievement of truly groundbreaking research. I hope to use my time in service and science to drive advancement, not just in aerospace technology, but in the broader engineering and intelligence communities. As a soldier and a scientist, I'm excited to tackle present and future security challenges, making the world a safer place — and a faster one!



#### **RB Smith**

I graduated from Williams College in 2020 with a double major in Biology and Arabic Studies, and worked for two years before pursuing the Marshall Scholarship, first for a local newspaper in northwest Alaska and then with the National Parks Service in Alaska and the Pacific islands. I am deeply interested in methods of nature conservation that are both scientifically sound and culturally inclusive, and applied to the Marshall Scholarship because it provided a singular opportunity to study conservation from a range of disciplinary perspectives in a cultural context that was both comparable to, and fundamentally different from, what I knew in the United States.



RB Smith

In my first year, I studied Evolutionary Genetics at the University of Edinburgh, where I built practical skills in the theoretical and computational techniques that underpin contemporary studies of biodiversity. For my dissertation, I partnered with a local startup to develop new methods for analysing pool-sequenced genetic data, an important tool both for conservation and biotechnology. In my second year, I studied Conservation at University College London, where I took courses in the broader social and political context of protecting biodiversity, particularly with respect to the UK. I spent two months of the summer in China conducting fieldwork for my dissertation in partnership with a lab at Minzu University, where we studied the biogeography of ground beetles in restored forests of northeast Heilongjiang province.

The UK's environmental history vastly differs from that of the US, and living and studying here has afforded me the privilege of learning about nature conservation from a completely different framing. While the US often sees its natural areas as pristine sanctuaries that need to be protected from human intervention, in the UK conservation is a much more active process, involving hands-on restoration and rewilding that is less emphasized in the US discourse. I think both approaches are important to consider in biodiversity conservation at the global scale, and I'm deeply grateful to have had the opportunity to gain experience with the British model, and get to know such a wonderful nation. I hope to continue conducting interdisciplinary research into biodiversity protection after my time on Marshall, and have no doubt that the personal and professional connections I have made here will last the rest of my life.

#### **Nathaniel Trost**

I graduated from Goldsmith's Fine Art MFA programme. After growing up in Tuscaloosa, Alabama and attending the University of Alabama in the same city, this was a big change for me, but it all seems to have gone alright. My initial interest in shared industrial histories between the US and UK and the way that memorial sculpture plays a role in honouring and defining the past led to research into the Deptford ship-building yards where my art studio was located



Nathaniel Trost

and eventually moved more towards the different histories of clay in London (the porcelain industry, brick making, the Thames riverbed itself). All of this clay related work was shown in my graduate exhibition, which was a type of loose portrait of Deptford focusing on processes of deposition and erosion, the idea being that there are meaningful connections between the ecological processes going on in Deptford creek and social processes going on along the high street and that seeing these systems as intimately linked might help shed light on how to more closely align social and ecological solutions. I really liked Goldsmiths and Southeast London in general. I worked at Maze Hill pottery for a year during my time here under Lisa Hammond, MBE, who is a great potter and ceramics educator. Seeing how a proper studio pottery is run in Britain and getting to meet some of the legends of that world connected me to artistic traditions that are less often seen in art school these days. I chose the UK because of a sense that my own country's story would make more sense if I saw it some from the outside. I also thought that the world in general might make more sense with the added perspective and humility of living as an outsider for a while. In some ways Britain was too welcoming of a home to fulfil that last one, but it was a good start. This experience has deepened my understanding of the very special relationship between these two countries and I certainly feel a type of ambassadorial responsibility now to maintain that relationship. This has been a life changing experience that has left me with the confidence to begin my independent career as an artist. For that and much more, I am deeply grateful.

# **Departing Scholars' Questionnaire**

At the end of each year Scholars complete a questionnaire giving an overview of their experience of their Scholarship during the academic year. The survey was sent to all scholars on award as of 13 August 2024 and ran for a period of one month, closing 13 September 2024. In total 46 of a possible 75 scholars completed the survey.



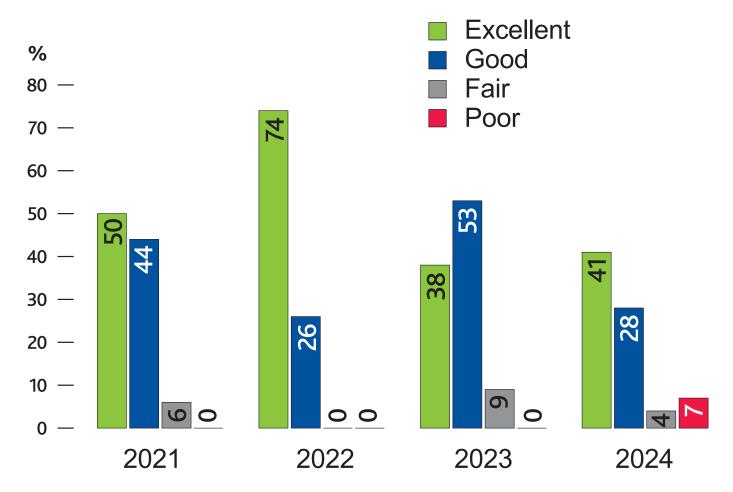


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# Scholars' rating of overall experience in the UK:

Overall, Scholars reported having a positive experience of studying and living in the UK with 41% of respondents describing their experience as 'Excellent', 28% of respondents describing it as 'Good', 11% reflecting upon their UK experience as average or poor and the remaining 20% did not provide a response. Therefore, the majority of scholars (69%) reported having a positive experience living and studying in the UK.





#### **Marshall Events**

# Academic year 2023 - 2024



FCDO Panel - Orientation 2024

#### 2023 Class Orientation

The 2023 Class orientation was held in Washington DC, USA and London, UK from 17 – 22 September 2023.

#### **Marshall Connect**

Marshall Connect is a collaboration between the Civil Service Fast Stream and the Marshall Programme. It involves Civil Servants on the Fast Stream scheme and Marshall Scholars forming a 'buddy' style of relationship during the Scholars' first year of study in the UK.

The purpose of the Marshall Connect programme is to:

 Build a network of future leaders in the UK/US which can be sustained;

- Make connections a chance to share cultural understanding, comparing and developing leadership styles and exchange of ideas; and
- Increase understanding of how UK and US Governments go about their business.

These activities are intended to support the overall Commission's aim of strengthening the enduring relationship between British and American peoples.

# Annual Marshall Departing Scholars' Dinner - 13th of May 2024 Dinner

The Commission hosted its annual departing Scholars' dinner on the 13th of May 2024 to honour the Scholars finishing their awards. The dinner was held at The Ironmonger's Hall at the Barbican Centre in London. The MACC Chair, John Raine, and this year's keynote speaker, Deputy Chief of Mission at the US Embassy in London, Matthew Palmer led a toast to the departing Scholars, and the Scholars' speech was delivered by 2022 Scholar, Kennedy Miller.

#### Joint Scholarship Farewell Event

An inaugural joint scholarship farewell event was held on the 2nd of July 2024 at Alexandra Palace in London, UK. The event was for departing Scholars from the Marshall, Chevening and Commonwealth scholarship programmes. The Keynote speech was delivered by the MACC Chair, John Raine.

#### **Communication and Outreach**

#### **Social Media**

The Commission co-ordinates social media through its own Twitter feed alongside the AMS and British Embassy feeds. The Instagram account is managed by Marshall Scholars.

#### **Twitter**

@MarshallScholar is the Commission's Twitter account and this is used to tweet content on current Marshall Scholars.

@MarshallAlums is the Association of Marshall Scholars' Twitter account. #ImAMarshall features snapshots of Marshall Alumni in the news and complements Embassy and MACC outputs.

@UKinUSA is the Embassy's twitter account and is used, amongst other things, to promote Marshall Scholarships. The Embassy leads key campaigns such as 'Meet the Marshalls', "Marshalls are..." and "UK University Profiles".



Marshall Scholars at the Scottish Parliament



Parliament Q&A with Lord Fox - High Tea



Parliament Q&A with Lord Fox - High Tea





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# **Marshall Alumni Spotlight**

# **Celebrating seventy years of Marshall**

Seventy years since the founding of the Marshall Scholarship, the programme continues to transform lives, strengthen transatlantic ties, and contribute to positive change around the world. Here, we highlight three Marshall Scholars from the first cohort in 1954, whose experiences demonstrate how collaboration between the UK and US fosters lifelong connections and expands our shared impact.

# **Alexei Maradudin's reflection on the Marshall Scholarship Programme**

1954 Marshall Scholar University of Bristol

Seventy years ago, a scholar at Stanford University read about the Marshall Scholarship in the pages of his university newspaper. That discovery led to an experience that Alexei Maradudin says shaped his career, broadened his worldview, and fostered connections that have lasted a lifetime. We find out more.

In the early 1950s, Alexei was beginning a distinguished scientific career. He was fascinated by the emerging study of dislocation theory, the atomic-level imperfections that determine the strength of materials. With the leading centres of research based in the UK, he saw a unique opportunity to pursue this work alongside some of the top minds in the field with a Marshall Scholarship.

The skills and connections he developed during his scholarship at the University of Bristol aided his significant achievements, including election to fellowship in several professional societies, an honorary doctorate from the Université Pierre et Marie Curie, and leadership roles within the University of California.

When asked about his experiences in the UK, Alexei says:

"What struck me was the kindness of the people I met, a slower pace of life... different words for common



Alexei and his wife Peggy (in 1954 on their wedding day)



Alexei and his wife Peggy (in 2024 on their 70th wedding anniversary)

items, driving on the left-hand side of the road, the good public transportation system, and the accessibility of cultural events. I left Great Britain feeling that it would always be my second home."

He also mentions the UK's distinct approach to academia which has an emphasis on independent research and offers the freedom to delve deeply into a single topic. Reflecting on the experience, Alexi credits the Marshall Scholarship with fostering his ability to work independently and confidently at an international level.

"Perhaps the largest impact of the Marshall Scholarship on my life was that it expanded my world view significantly."

We asked if he has any advice for today's Marshall Scholars:

"My advice to a current or future Marshall Scholar would be to work your tail off to maximise the benefits from working with some of the top people in your field that this wonderful scholarship makes possible."

#### How a Marshall Scholarship helped transform public health around the world

Phyllis Piotrow, 1954 Marshall Scholar University of Oxford



Phyllis Piotrow, 2024



Phyllis Piotrow, 1954 Marshall Scholar

Seventy years ago, Phyllis Piotrow heard about the Marshall Scholarship from her cousin. She was drawn by the idea of studying at the University of Oxford, and the rest, as they say, is history. We find out more.

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Arriving in the UK in the early 1950s, she found a nation still recovering from the Second World War. Rationing had just ended, and many of Oxford's buildings were under repair. Yet despite the challenges, she was appreciative of the beauty of the English countryside, the insights gathered from her lectures and tutorials, and the trips to traditional English pubs with friends.

Living alongside British and international students, Phyllis shares how she made lifelong friendships, including with a South African housemate and her best friend to this day, the actress Janet Henfrey.

She chose to study history at the University of Oxford, earning a first-class degree at a time when women in the United States were still fighting for professional equality.

"I decided that if all of these men could do it, I could do it too."

The Marshall Scholarship transformed Phyillis' career trajectory. She returned to the United States with a broader worldview and the conviction that she could contribute meaningfully to public service and global change.

Her first job at the Library of Congress came thanks to the recognition of being a prestigious Marshall Scholar. From there, she became a legislative assistant to a US senator, a rare role for women in the 1960s, where she learned the mechanics of policy and politics.

Phyllis was later asked by the former senator to head up a committee, which is now called Population Action. The objective was to secure funding for international programmes for family planning and reproductive health. "I helped to draft the legislation that provided the funding for the international public health and family planning programmes, including the UN Fund for Population Activities. By an interesting coincidence, the person I worked most closely with was General William Draper Jr, who knew George Marshall and was the second administrator of the Marshall Plan in Europe. I spent about ten years working with him, a most remarkable man."

Later, Phyllis founded the Center for Communication Programs at Johns Hopkins University, where she pioneered efforts to integrate effective communication strategies into public health campaigns worldwide, with programmes reaching across Asia, Africa, and Latin America.

"I think my most important accomplishment was at Johns Hopkins. We were concerned, especially with programmes for women and reproductive health, that there was not funding, not enough support with the communication side of public health. It's not just a matter of research and statistics and technology, it's also a matter of good communication that encourages people to change their behaviour and to adopt healthy behaviours.

The Centre for Communication Programmes, which started quite small, ended up at the time that I retired to a funding level of about \$200 million. It was the largest

centre in the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health. We had hundreds of people working with us all around the world promoting family planning, maternal and child health, malaria control, breastfeeding, AIDS prevention and control, and more. It was a huge and wonderful programme with tremendous impact and training with programme activities all around Asia, Africa and Latin America."

Reflecting on her career, Phyllis believes that the greatest impact of the Marshall Scholarship was the people she met. She also credits the Marshall Scholarship with giving her the confidence and independence to take on new challenges, to value different perspectives, and to see her own voice as a force for change.

"A major contribution the Marshall Commission made was by allowing women as well as men to apply to the scholarship from the beginning. It was a big and important step in those days, especially considering that Rhodes Scholarships was restricted to male candidates at that time. That made the first and biggest difference of all for me, and it set a really important precedent."

Phyllis credits the experience of studying history in Britain with giving her a renewed understanding of how history shapes nations, and how each generation must reconsider its past.

"I began to realise that you can be critical of things your country has done in the past. You can say that it was bad and wrong and acknowledge that we shouldn't have done



it. Building a better future is really very important and it doesn't make you less patriotic to be critical of the past." We asked if she has any advice for today's Marshall Scholars:

"Don't wait to be invited when something important is going on, go in and participate, and share credit lavishly with everybody, whoever helped."

## Charles Whaley's lifelong learnings from his **Marshall Scholarship**

1954 Marshall Scholar University of Oxford

By 1954, Charles Whaley already had an impressive academic record, but a Marshall Scholarship offered something more than a UK education. It offered a chance to immerse himself in British literature and culture, a lifelong fascination of his. We find out more.

One evening at The Courier-Journal in Louisville, Kentucky, Charles noticed a news release in the city editor's wastebasket. It was about the creation of the Marshall Scholarship, a programme set up in 1954 in gratitude for the Marshall Plan, designed to strengthen ties between the United States and the United Kingdom. Charles applied and soon began a scholarship at the University of Manchester.

Seventy years later, Charles reflects on how his Marshall Scholarship transformed his life and career.







Charles Whaley in 2023

"Britain was still recovering from World War II damage when I arrived 70 years ago. Bomb sites were everywhere. There was heavy fog from pollution. Coal fires supplied heat to homes and buildings, which were cold. Central heating was rare. Seeing all this up close instead of through photographs was a shock. But the spirit of the people after all that war fatigue was a wonder as they carried on."

Charles immersed himself in British literary studies writing about Thomas Hardy and even meeting Hardy's last secretary, May O'Rourke, who shared personal stories and a signed monograph.

Beyond his studies, Charles joined the Manchester and London press clubs, made lifelong friends, and explored every corner of the country. He lived the culture, embraced the history, and built friendships with remarkable people who would enrich his life for decades. He met and befriended members of the Bloomsbury Group, including Quentin and Anne Olivier Bell, as well as

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the actor Simon Callow, who invited him backstage when Alec Guinness stopped by to share congratulations. His advice for today's Marshall Scholars:

"Don't hole up at the university and let the rest of the country go by. Experience the city and travel the country. Meet the people and share their stories. Make lifelong friends that way."

In reflecting on his career, Charles believes the Marshall Scholarship was pivotal. He served as secretary-general of the Association of Marshall Scholars, and on the Mid-Eastern Regional Selection Committee, where he interviewed and mentored future scholars. In journalism, he earned top awards from the Education Writers Association and the Kentucky Education Association's civil rights award. He also became a trusted reviewer of theatre and books for The Courier-Journal.

For Charles, the Marshall Scholarship was more than an opportunity to study in the UK. It was a gateway to lifelong learning, friendships, and a worldview that continues to shape his life today.



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#### **Marshall Alumni Relations**

Engagement with the 2000+ Marshall Scholar alumni community is primarily undertaken by the Association of Marshall Scholars (AMS) - an independent charitable organisation based in the United States. The MACC welcomes and supports AMS activity which ensures that Marshall Scholars develop new personal and professional connections as their careers advance, and remain connected to their UK experience and the British consular network in the United States.

Regular AMS activities include organising regional and national events for Marshall alumni, supporting the US orientation programme for new Marshall Scholars in collaboration with MACC and British Embassy Washington, and undertaking programming intended to strengthen US-UK relations through legislative and judicial exchanges - connecting British and American lawmakers and jurists – as well as policy-focused forums.

Over the 23-24 academic year, the AMS has deepened Marshall alumni engagement and elevated the visibility of the Marshall Scholarship scheme through robust programming, strategic partnerships, and targeted communications. These efforts not only reinforced the transatlantic mission of the Scholarship but also highlighted the ongoing achievements and contributions of the Marshall alumni community, which also supports current Scholars by hosting occasional events and participating in MACC-sponsored activities throughout the year.

#### 2023-24 Events and Alumni Engagement

Across the academic year, more than 1,300 alumni and guests participated in over 30 regional, virtual, and partner events co-hosted with US institutions such as Brown University and New York University and UK institutions including the University of Oxford. These events ranged from discussions of investigative journalism and freedom of the press to social gatherings across the UK and the US. AMS also supported orientation events for incoming Marshall Scholars both in the US and the UK, with alumni serving on panel discussions and hosting site visits to key institutions such as the White House, Pentagon, and Capitol Hill.

A notable achievement was the 70th Anniversary virtual class reunion series, which saw participation from 550 alumni across 40 graduating classes and fostered intergenerational dialogue.

#### 2024 Legislative Exchange and 70th Anniversary

In January 2024 the AMS hosted its annual US-UK Legislative Exchange in London and Oxford, facilitating dialogue between US and UK lawmakers, Marshall alumni, and policy experts. The US delegation was co-chaired by Representatives Mark Green (Republican -Tennessee) and Jim Himes (Democrat – Connecticut). The four-day educational programme incorporated a reception to celebrate the 70th Anniversary of the Marshall Scholarship programme, which was kindly hosted by the Speaker of the House of Commons, Sir Lindsay Hoyle, in his Apartments in Parliament. The event included remarks by the Speaker and by Lisa Nandy MP, Shadow International Development Secretary; Leader of the House of Commons The Rt. Hon Penny Mordaunt; Congressman Jim Himes, Congressman Mark Green and 1977 Marshall Scholar Bob Kyle. Marshall Commissioners and assembled guests celebrated the impact of the Marshall Scholarship programme across seven decades and its role in sustaining and strengthening the special relationship.

#### The 2024 Marshall Forum

The 2024 Marshall Forum, co-hosted with the University of Chicago Booth School of Business, convened influential voices in economics, public policy, and innovation for a two-day event in June 2024. More than 90 in-person and 400 virtual attendees engaged with thought leaders such as Marshall alumnus Peter Orszag - CEO of Lazard and other guests such as Austan Goolsbee, President of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago. The Forum demonstrated the continued impact of Marshall alumni across sectors.

The MACC's Chair and CEO attended the Forum and took the opportunity to award, on behalf of the Marshall Commission, a Marshall Medal to Dr Lisa D. Cook - a 1986 Marshall Scholar and current Member of the Federal Reserve Board of Governors. Presented by MACC Chair John Raine, the award recognised Governor Cook's distinguished public service and her embodiment of the values of the Marshall Scholarship programme.



#### Alumni Support and Philanthropy

The AMS is an important philanthropic partner for the Marshall Commission, supporting scholarship awards through individual alumni gifts to UK universities and through an endowment fund. The fund was seeded by over 200 alumni with donations matched by Reid Hoffman CBE – 1990 Marshall Scholar and co-founder of LinkedIn – and now stands at \$1.7 million, providing long-term support to future Marshall Scholars.

In total, the AMS directed approximately \$292,000 in 2024 towards tuition fees and initiatives that support the experience of current Marshall Scholars. This included individual "Marshall Xtra" grants - designed to enhance Scholars' engagement with the UK during their studies, "Marshall Plus" funding to support Scholar-led activities. This high level of engagement and activity demonstrates the continued leadership, generosity, and global impact of Marshall alumni, helping to ensure that the programme not only endures, but thrives, in a rapidly changing world. Further information can be found in the AMS annual report for 2023-24, available on their website:

https://marshallscholars.org/annual-reports



#### Selection of 2024 Scholars

At the Commission meeting held in October 2023, consideration was given to the budget for financial year 2024/25. The Commission agreed to recommend to the Ambassador's Advisory Council that 50 new awards should be made for 2024.

The selection of the 2024 Scholars was undertaken by the Regional Selection Committees, listed on page 81 and confirmed by the Advisory Council held in Washington on 11 December 2023.

The At-Large Selection Committee considered the award of Scholarships to reserve candidates. A list of the members of this Committee can be found on page 85.

The number of Scholarships which the Commission can award reflects the level of FCDO funding and the potential support available through partnerships with British Universities, Oxford and Cambridge Colleges and with other institutions.



2024 Welcome Reception



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2024 Welcome Reception

The Commission has been proactive in negotiating with UK universities and others to provide additional funding support. This additional resource is worth over £1.3 million each year and is generated from our Partner universities and colleges; the National Institutes of Health in the US; and from the AMS; and the British Schools and Universities Foundation donations. (See Appendix 2).

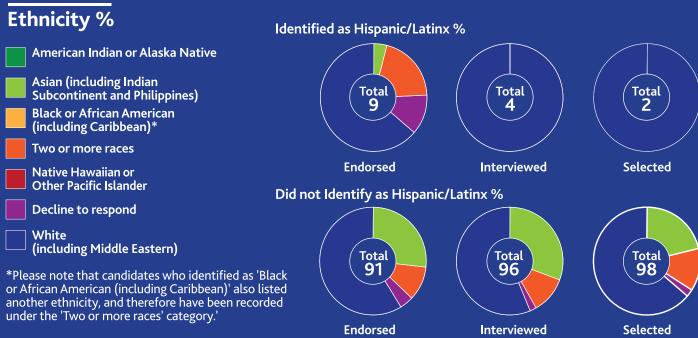
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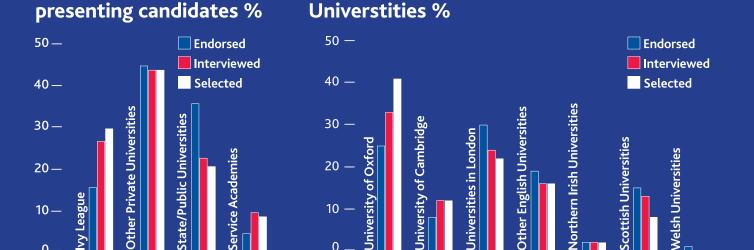
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#### **Candidates Under Review**

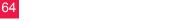








Preferred UK



# **Placements**

After the necessary places at UK Universities had been confirmed, the 40 Marshall Scholarships for 2023 were:

| Name                       | US<br>Institution                     | UK Institution                                      | Degree                                      |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| Atlanta                    |                                       |   |   |
| Madison<br>Brode*          | Mississippi<br>State<br>University    | University of<br>Sheffield                          | MSc Biodiversity and Conservation           |
| Jilkiah<br>Bryant*         | University of<br>Mississippi          | University of<br>Sheffield                          | MPH<br>International<br>Development         |
| Alexander<br>Dyer          | Harvard<br>University                 | Hughes Hall,<br>University of<br>Cambridge          | MPhil Health,<br>Medicine and<br>Society    |
| Naomi<br>Greenberg*        | Georgetown<br>University              | Imperial<br>College<br>London                       | MRes Systems<br>and Synthetic<br>Biology    |
| Maeve<br>Janecka*          | Georgia<br>Institute of<br>Technology | Balliol<br>College,<br>University of<br>Oxford      | DPhil Women's<br>and Reproductive<br>Health |
| Haaris<br>Jilani* <b>▼</b> | Georgia<br>Institute of<br>Technology | Imperial<br>College<br>London                       | MRes Biomedical<br>Engineering              |
| Cameron<br>Tice ▼          | Auburn<br>University                  | Churchill<br>College,<br>University of<br>Cambridge | MPhil Medical<br>Science<br>(Psychiatry)    |

| Name                            | US<br>Institution                       | UK Institution                                      | Degree   |  |
|---------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Martayn<br>Van de<br>Wall*      | United<br>States<br>Military<br>Academy | Magdalen<br>College,<br>University of<br>Oxford     | MSc Global<br>Governance and<br>Diplomacy                                |  |
| <b>Boston Reg</b>               | gion                                    |   |  |  |
| Xavier<br>Blackwell-<br>Lipkind | Yale<br>University                      | Exeter College, University of Oxford                | MSt Comparative<br>Literature<br>and Critical<br>Translation             |  |
| Robert Hill                     | Yale<br>University                      | St. Antony's<br>College,<br>University of<br>Oxford | MPhil Evidence-<br>Based Social<br>Intervention and<br>Policy Evaluation |  |
| Amara-<br>chukwu<br>Ifeji*      | Northeastern<br>University              | Somerville<br>College,<br>University of<br>Oxford   | MSc Nature,<br>Society and<br>Environmental<br>Governance                |  |
| Ronald<br>Sullivan III          | Harvard<br>University                   | Hughes Hall,<br>University of<br>Cambridge          | Mphil World<br>History   |  |
| Maxwell<br>Teszler*             | Dartmouth<br>University                 | University of<br>East Anglia                        | MSc Plant Genetics and Crop Improvement                                  |  |
| Chicago Region                  |   |   |  |  |
| Adrian<br>Ali-<br>Caccamo*      | Georgetown<br>University                | University<br>College<br>London                     | MA Comparative Education   |  |

| Name                  | US<br>Institution                          | UK Institution                                      | Degree   |
|-----------------------|--|---|--|
| Robert<br>Atkinson    | Yale<br>University                         | St. Antony's<br>College,<br>University of<br>Oxford | MPhil Evidence-<br>Based Social<br>Intervention and<br>Policy Evaluation |
| Logan<br>Glasstetter* | Duke<br>University                         | University of<br>Leeds                              | MSc Drug Discovery and Development                                       |
| Owen<br>Graham        | United<br>States<br>Air Force<br>Academy   | Hughes Hall,<br>University of<br>Cambridge          | MPhil Quantitative Climate and Environmental Science                     |
| Kendra<br>Lyimo*      | University of Notre Dame                   |   | MA V&A/RCA History of Design   |
| Sarosh<br>Nagar*      | Harvard<br>University                      | University<br>College<br>London                     | MPA Innovation, Public Policy and Public Value                           |
| Kyle<br>Tucker*       | Indiana<br>University,<br>Blooming-<br>ton | King's<br>College<br>London                         | MA National<br>Security Studies  |
| Dorothy<br>Zhao*      | Michigan<br>State<br>University            | St. John's<br>College,<br>University of<br>Oxford   | DPhil Biomedical<br>Sciences   |

| Name                          | US<br>Institution                            | UK Institution                  | Degree  |  |  |
|-------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Houston Re                    | Houston Region                               |                                 |   |  |  |
| Alexis<br>Bradstreet*         | United<br>States<br>Military<br>Academy      | University of Edinburgh         | MSc Data<br>and Artificial<br>Intelligence<br>Ethics                |  |  |
| Sophia<br>(Rosie)<br>Contino* | University of<br>Denver                      | University of<br>Warwick        | MSc Behavioural and Economic Science                                |  |  |
| Austin<br>Hickle              | Southern<br>Methodist<br>University          | University of Edinburgh         | MSc<br>Comparative<br>Education and<br>International<br>Development |  |  |
| Ahalya<br>Letten-<br>berger   | Rice<br>University                           | Lough-<br>borough<br>University | MSc Sport<br>Biomechanics   |  |  |
| Maryann<br>Lorino             | Tulane<br>University                         | University of Edinburgh         | DPhil<br>Regenerative<br>Medicine                                   |  |  |
| Los Angeles Region            |  |                                 |   |  |  |
| Arushi<br>Avachat             | University of<br>California –<br>Los Angeles |                                 | MSt English and American Studies                                    |  |  |

| Name                   | US<br>Institution                                | UK Institution   | Degree   |
|------------------------|--|--|--|
| Kaitlan Bui*           | Brown<br>University                              | The School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London | MA Migration and Diaspora Studies and Intensive Language |
| Anushree<br>Chaudhuri  | Massa-<br>chusetts<br>Institute of<br>Technology | Jesus<br>College,<br>University of<br>Cambridge                  | PhD Geography  |
| Kit Neikirk*           | University of<br>Hawaii - Hilo                   | University of Edinburgh  | MPH Public<br>Health                                     |
| Anya Wahal             | Georgetown<br>University                         | Christ<br>Church,<br>University of<br>Oxford                     | MPhil Water<br>Science, Policy<br>and Management         |
| <b>New York R</b>      | Region   |  |  |
| Jamila<br>Beesley      | Brown<br>University                              | Kellogg<br>College,<br>University of<br>Oxford                   | MA Migration<br>Studies                                  |
| Hari<br>Choudhari*     | Georgetown<br>University                         | Queen's<br>University<br>Belfast                                 | MA Conflict Transformation and Social Justice            |
| Charlotte<br>d'Halluin | United<br>States Naval<br>Academy                | University of Edinburgh  | MSc Energy,<br>Society and<br>Sustainability             |

| Name                    | US<br>Institution           | UK Institution                                       | Degree                                       |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Ashley<br>Fuchs*        | University of Pennsyl-vania | University of Edinburgh                              | MSc Global<br>Crime, Justice<br>and Security |
| Ayelet<br>Kalfus*       | Yale<br>University          | Imperial<br>College<br>London                        | MRes Systems<br>and Synthetic<br>Biology     |
| Andrew<br>Lorenzen*     | Cornell<br>University       | London School of Economics and Political Science     | MSc Politics and Communication               |
| Gina Ngo                | Villanova<br>University     | Gonville<br>and Caius,<br>University of<br>Cambridge | MPhil Medical<br>Science<br>(Oncology)       |
| Mary<br>Olson*          | Columbia<br>University      | London School of Economics and Political Science     | MSc Economic<br>History                      |
| Eva<br>Rothen-<br>berg* | Emory<br>University         | University of Birmingham                             | MA Applied<br>Linguistics                    |
| San Franci              | sco Region                  |  |  |
| Simar<br>Bajaj*         | Harvard<br>University       | St. Anne's<br>College,<br>University of<br>Oxford    | MSc Global Health Science and Epidemiology   |

| Name                | US<br>Institution                                | UK Institution                                    | Degree  |
|---------------------|--|---|---|
| Rupert Li*          | Massach-<br>usetts<br>Institute of<br>Technology | Trinity<br>College,<br>University of<br>Cambridge | MASt Pure<br>Mathematics  |
| Michael<br>Lundgren | Georgetown<br>University                         | Wolfson College, University of Oxford             | MSc Education<br>(Child<br>Development and<br>Education)        |
| Ethan<br>Ostrow     | University of Chicago                            | Reuben College, University of Oxford              | MPhil Socio-<br>Legal Research                                  |
| Washington          | n Region   |   |   |
| Richard<br>Allen*   | Harvard<br>University                            | University<br>College,<br>University of<br>Oxford | MSc<br>Mathematics<br>and Foundations<br>of Computer<br>Science |
| Liza<br>Goldberg*   | Stanford<br>University                           | London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine    | MSc Climate<br>Change and<br>Planetary Health                   |
| Nils<br>Peterson*   | University of<br>Wisconsin –<br>Madison          | _   | MA Taiwan<br>Studies  |

| Name                | US<br>Institution             | UK Institution                                   | Degree                                   |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|
| Samuel              | Williams                      | University of                                    | MA Political                             |
| Thorpe*             | College                       | Manchester                                       | Economy                                  |
| Iona                | Syracuse                      | University of Leicester                          | MA Museum                                |
| Volynets            | University                    |  | Studies                                  |
| Kathryn<br>Yurechko | Washington and Lee University | St. Cross<br>College,<br>University of<br>Oxford | MSc Social<br>Science of the<br>Internet |

## ▼ One year Scholarship

<sup>\*</sup> Partner Award Recipients

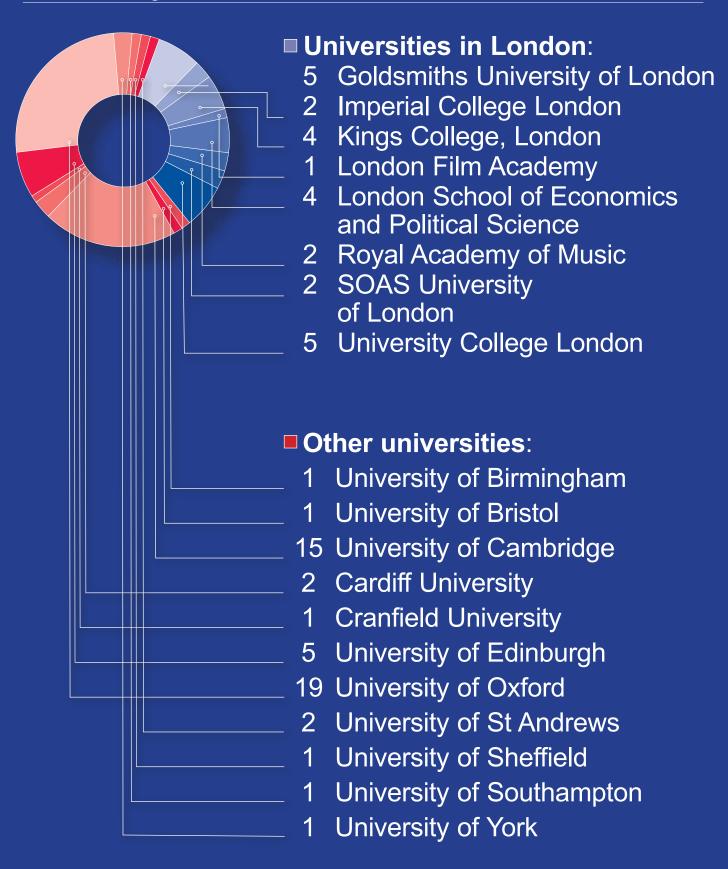


Marshall Scholars at a Ceilidh, a traditional Scottish social gathering



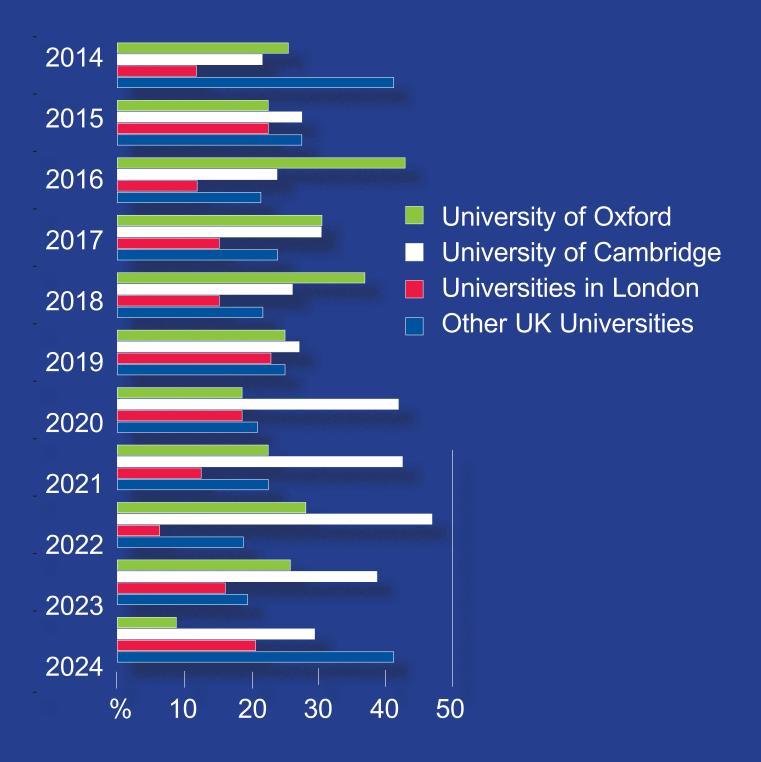
Departing Scholars' Dinner May 2024

# The group will take up their places at the start of the academic year 2023/2024 as shown below.



## Distribution of new Scholars at British universities 2014-2024

The Commission encourages Scholars to consider wide range of institutions at which to study, reflecting the academic excellence of UK universities.



#### **Stipends**

The revised stipend schedule from 1 October 2024, as determined by HMG, resulted in increases to the allowances payable to Marshall Scholars as follows: - basic monthly living allowance from £1,347 to £1,378 (and from £1,652 to £1,690 for those registered at institutions within the London Metropolitan Police district); book allowance from £522 to £534 for first year Scholars. As a result of the stipend adjustments announced the Commission revised the annual grant for approved research travel and the thesis grant from £300 to £305 and £493 to £504 respectively in October 2024. In addition, the Association of Marshall Scholars (AMS) funded an additional stipend payment of £1,000 per Scholar, known as Marshall Xtra.

#### **Secretariat**

The Commission continued the arrangement under which its Secretariat is provided by the British Council, whose offices at British Council, 1 Redman Place, London E20 1JQ, serve as its headquarters. The detailed work was undertaken by Ms Haley Addison as Manager, Ms Stephanie Berke as Programme Officer, Ms Ons Ziadia (from May 2024) and Ms Anna Gane, Scholarship Assistant under the direction of the CEO of the MACC, Dr Emily Charnock (from January 2024). The Executive Secretary duties were shared between Ms Haley Addison and Mr Denis Tkachuk.

#### Access to Information

The Commission operated under the Code of Practice on Access to Government Information 2018 and had also developed a Publication Scheme to comply with the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Further information can be found at https://www.marshallscholarship.org/the-commission/ policies-and-open-data

## **Expenditure**

Under Section 2(7) of the 1953 Act the Commission is required each financial year to prepare accounts of expenditure in such form as the Secretary of State may with the approval of the Treasury direct. The total expenditure of the Commission for the year ended 31 March 2024 was £3,300,777. The Summary Accounts are attached at the end of this Report (Page 44). These figures have been scrutinised by the National Audit Office and, as provided by the Marshall Aid Commemoration Act 1953. The full accounts have been published separately and laid before Parliament. The British Council, on behalf of the Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission, administers and recovers the costs of the Marshall Scholarship Scheme from the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office.

Signatures on Behalf of the MACC.

John Raine CMG OBE, Chair



## **Membership of the MACC and Committees**

#### Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission<sup>1</sup>

(as of 30 September 2023)

|                       | Senior Advisor at the IISS             |
|-----------------------|--|
| OBE (Chair)           | (International Institute for Strategic |
|                       | Studies)                               |
| Mr Adrian Greer       | Chancellor's Assessor and Member       |
|                       | of Court, University of St Andrews     |
| Prof Adam Smith       | Director of the Rothermere             |
|                       | American Institute, Oxford             |
| Prof Leslie Vinjamuri | Director, US and the Americas          |
|                       | Programme, Chatham House               |
| Prof Chris Millward   | Professor of Practice in Education     |
|                       | Policy, University of Birmingham       |
| Dr Andrew Bell        | Senior Tutor, University College,      |
|                       | University of Oxford                   |
| Prof Richard Black    | Deputy Vice-Chancellor, University     |
|                       | of Liverpool                           |
| Prof Frances          | Professor of Cell Biology, University  |
| Brodsky               | College London                         |
| Ms Anulika Ajufo      | Venture Partner, Sagana; Founder,      |
|                       | Sequoia Platform                       |
| Prof Sarah Wolffe     | Professor of Law, University of        |
|                       | Strathclyde and University of          |
|                       | Edinburgh                              |
|                       |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Marshall Scholarships may be tenable at institutions from which members of the Commission and its committees belong.

#### **Education Committee**

| Prof Adam Smith (Chair) |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| Prof Chris Millward     |  |
| Dr Andrew Bell          |  |
| Prof Jon Erichsen       |  |

## **Audit and Risk Management Committee**

| Mr Adrian Greer (Chair) |
|-------------------------|
| Mr John Raine           |
| Dr Ruth Kosmin          |
| Prof Richard Black      |
| Ms Diane Flynn          |

## **Scholar Experience Committee**

| Prof Frances Brodsky (Co-Chair)  |
|----------------------------------|
| Prof Lesley Vinjamuri (Co-Chair) |
| Prof Sarah Wolffe                |
| Dr Ben Heineike                  |
| Prof Jon Erichsen                |

#### **Observers**

| Ms Emma Hennessey       | Head of the Scholarships Unit, FCDO |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Mr Philip Everest       | Policy lead – TSU, FCDO             |
| Prof. Jonathan Erichsen | 1972 Scholar, alumni observer       |
| Dr Ben Heineike         | 2002 Scholar, alumni observer       |

#### **Secretariat**

| Dr Emily Charnock  | CEO, MACC                  |
|--------------------|----------------------------|
| Ms Haley Addison   | Manager                    |
| Ms Stephanie Berke | Programme Officer          |
| Ms Ons Ziadia      | Programme Officer, MACC    |
| Ms Anna Gane       | Scholarship Assistant      |
| Mr Denis Tkachuk   | Board Governance, Risk and |
|                    | Compliance Manager         |



Q&A with Lord Fox at Parliament



FCDO Panel - Orientation 2024



FCDO Panel - Orientation 2024



FCDO Panel - Orientation 2024

## **Advisory Council in Washington**<sup>2</sup>

(as at 13 December 2023)

| Mr James Roscoe Deputy British Ambassador Mr Joshua Stanton Head of Strategic Communications & Public Diplomacy Ms Jessica Border Chief Communications Officer - Education Engagement Mr John Raine Chair, Marshall Commission Prof Adam Smith Chair, Education Committee, Marshall Commission Mr Peter Crawford Chair, Atlanta Region Mr Prabal Chair, Boston Region Chakrabarti Dr Jennifer Kasten Chair, Chicago Region Prof. Mary Chair, Houston Region Edgerton Dr Anjali Tripathi Chair, Los Angeles Region Ms Sandra Chair, New York Region Pinnavaia Dr Jacob Chacko Chair, San Francisco Region Prof A Benjamin Chair, Washington DC Region Spencer Dr Emily Charnock CEO, Marshall Commission | Dame Karen<br>Pierce   | British Ambassador           |
|---|------------------------|------------------------------|
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| Ms Jessica Border Chief Communications Officer - Education Engagement  Mr John Raine Chair, Marshall Commission  Prof Adam Smith Chair, Education Committee, Marshall Commission  Mr Peter Crawford Chair, Atlanta Region  Mr Prabal Chair, Boston Region  Chakrabarti  Dr Jennifer Kasten Chair, Chicago Region  Prof. Mary Chair, Houston Region  Edgerton  Dr Anjali Tripathi Chair, Los Angeles Region  Ms Sandra Chair, New York Region  Pinnavaia  Dr Jacob Chacko Chair, San Francisco Region  Prof A Benjamin Chair, Washington DC Region  Spencer  Dr Emily Charnock CEO, Marshall Commission  | Mr Joshua Stanton      | •                            |
| Education Engagement  Mr John Raine Chair, Marshall Commission  Prof Adam Smith Chair, Education Committee,   |                        | 1 2                          |
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| Prof Adam Smith Chair, Education Committee, Marshall Commission  Mr Peter Crawford Chair, Atlanta Region  Mr Prabal Chair, Boston Region  Chakrabarti  Dr Jennifer Kasten Chair, Chicago Region  Prof. Mary Chair, Houston Region  Edgerton  Dr Anjali Tripathi Chair, Los Angeles Region  Ms Sandra Chair, New York Region  Pinnavaia  Dr Jacob Chacko Chair, San Francisco Region  Prof A Benjamin Chair, Washington DC Region  Spencer  Dr Emily Charnock CEO, Marshall Commission   |                        | Education Engagement         |
| Mr Peter Crawford Chair, Atlanta Region Mr Prabal Chair, Boston Region Chakrabarti Dr Jennifer Kasten Chair, Chicago Region Prof. Mary Chair, Houston Region Edgerton Dr Anjali Tripathi Chair, Los Angeles Region Ms Sandra Chair, New York Region Pinnavaia Dr Jacob Chacko Chair, San Francisco Region Prof A Benjamin Chair, Washington DC Region Spencer Dr Emily Charnock CEO, Marshall Commission  | Mr John Raine          | Chair, Marshall Commission   |
| Mr Peter Crawford Chair, Atlanta Region Mr Prabal Chair, Boston Region Chakrabarti Dr Jennifer Kasten Chair, Chicago Region Prof. Mary Chair, Houston Region Edgerton Dr Anjali Tripathi Chair, Los Angeles Region Ms Sandra Chair, New York Region Pinnavaia Dr Jacob Chacko Chair, San Francisco Region Prof A Benjamin Chair, Washington DC Region Spencer Dr Emily Charnock CEO, Marshall Commission  | <b>Prof Adam Smith</b> | Chair, Education Committee,  |
| Mr Prabal Chair, Boston Region Chakrabarti  Dr Jennifer Kasten Chair, Chicago Region Prof. Mary Chair, Houston Region Edgerton Dr Anjali Tripathi Chair, Los Angeles Region Ms Sandra Chair, New York Region Pinnavaia Dr Jacob Chacko Chair, San Francisco Region Prof A Benjamin Chair, Washington DC Region Spencer Dr Emily Charnock CEO, Marshall Commission   |                        | Marshall Commission          |
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| Dr Jennifer Kasten Chair, Chicago Region Prof. Mary Chair, Houston Region Edgerton Dr Anjali Tripathi Chair, Los Angeles Region Ms Sandra Chair, New York Region Pinnavaia Dr Jacob Chacko Chair, San Francisco Region Prof A Benjamin Chair, Washington DC Region Spencer Dr Emily Charnock CEO, Marshall Commission   | Mr Prabal              | Chair, Boston Region         |
| Prof. Mary Edgerton Dr Anjali Tripathi Ms Sandra Chair, Los Angeles Region Chair, New York Region Pinnavaia Dr Jacob Chacko Chair, San Francisco Region Prof A Benjamin Chair, Washington DC Region Spencer Dr Emily Charnock CEO, Marshall Commission  | Chakrabarti            | _                            |
| Edgerton Dr Anjali Tripathi Chair, Los Angeles Region Ms Sandra Chair, New York Region Pinnavaia Dr Jacob Chacko Chair, San Francisco Region Prof A Benjamin Chair, Washington DC Region Spencer Dr Emily Charnock CEO, Marshall Commission   | Dr Jennifer Kasten     | Chair, Chicago Region        |
| Dr Anjali Tripathi Chair, Los Angeles Region Ms Sandra Chair, New York Region Pinnavaia Dr Jacob Chacko Chair, San Francisco Region Prof A Benjamin Chair, Washington DC Region Spencer Dr Emily Charnock CEO, Marshall Commission  | Prof. Mary             | Chair, Houston Region        |
| Ms Sandra Chair, New York Region Pinnavaia Dr Jacob Chacko Chair, San Francisco Region Prof A Benjamin Chair, Washington DC Region Spencer Dr Emily Charnock CEO, Marshall Commission   | Edgerton               |                              |
| Pinnavaia Dr Jacob Chacko Chair, San Francisco Region Prof A Benjamin Chair, Washington DC Region Spencer Dr Emily Charnock CEO, Marshall Commission  | Dr Anjali Tripathi     | Chair, Los Angeles Region    |
| Dr Jacob Chacko Chair, San Francisco Region Prof A Benjamin Chair, Washington DC Region Spencer Dr Emily Charnock CEO, Marshall Commission  | Ms Sandra              | Chair, New York Region       |
| Prof A Benjamin Chair, Washington DC Region Spencer Dr Emily Charnock CEO, Marshall Commission  | Pinnavaia              |                              |
| Spencer Dr Emily Charnock CEO, Marshall Commission  | Dr Jacob Chacko        | Chair, San Francisco Region  |
| Dr Emily Charnock CEO, Marshall Commission  | Prof A Benjamin        | Chair, Washington DC Region  |
| -   | •                      |                              |
| -   | Dr Emily Charnock      | CEO, Marshall Commission     |
| IVIS Haley Addison IVIanager, IVIanshall Commission   | -                      | Manager, Marshall Commission |

| Dr Emma        | Head of Scholarships Unit, FCDO |
|----------------|---------------------------------|
| Hennessey      | ·                               |
| Dr Nell Breyer | Executive Director of the AMS   |

Scholars may be selected from institutions to which members of the Ambassador's Advisory Council and Selection Committees belong.



## **Regional Committees in the United States**

as at 30 September 2024)

## **Atlanta Region**

| Prof. Jane       | 1976 Scholar, Professor of              |
|------------------|---|
| Hawkins          | Mathematics, University of North        |
|                  | Carolina, Chapel Hill                   |
| Mr Peter         | 2006 Scholar, Engagement Manager        |
| Crawford (Chair) | and Associate, McKinsey & Co            |
| Mr Errol B Davis | Superintendent of Atlanta Public        |
| Jr               | Schools (Retired)                       |
| Prof. Stephen    | 1991 Scholar, Professor of Chemistry,   |
| Kuebler          | University of Central Florida           |
| Ms Coryn Shiflet | Graduate Fellowships Manager,           |
|                  | Georgia Institute of Technology         |
| Ms Rachel        | His Majesty's Consul-General in Atlanta |
| Galloway         |   |

## **Boston Region**

| Mr Prabal              | 1995 Scholar, Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston |
|------------------------|--|
| Chakrabarti<br>(Chair) | Reserve Dank of Doston                                       |
| Dr Esther              | 2002 Scholar, Instructor in Dermatology                      |
| Freeman                | at Harvard Medical School                                    |
| Prof Justin            | 1998 Scholar, Professor of Law, Yale                         |
| Driver                 | University   |
| Prof. Sylvia           | 1998 Scholar, Associate Professor of                         |
| Sellers-Garcia         | History, Boston College                                      |
| Dr Peter Abbott        | His Majesty's Consul-General in Boston                       |
| OBE                    |  |



## **Chicago Region**

| Dr Jennifer    | 2002 Scholar, Assistant Professor,      |
|----------------|---|
| Kasten (Chair) | Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical  |
|                | Centre                                  |
| Dr Mona Knock  | 1997 Scholar, Research Associate,       |
|                | Stepan Company                          |
| Dr Richard     | 1976 Scholar, Professor of Law,         |
| Friedman       | University of Michigan                  |
| Prof Doug      | 1992 Scholar, Professor of Music in     |
| Spaniol        | the Jordan College of the Arts, Butler  |
| •              | University                              |
| Ms Cecilia     | Executive Director, Nordson Corporation |
| Render         | Foundation                              |
| Mr Alan        | His Majesty's Consul-General in         |
| Gogbashian     | Chicago                                 |
|                |   |

## **Houston Region**

| Prof. Mary<br>Edgerton (Chair) | 1976 Scholar, Associate Professor, Division of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, UT M.D. Anderson Cancer Center |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Prof David                     | Professor and Director, Rice Space   |
| Alexander, OBE                 | Institute, Rice University   |
| Dr Ulcca Joshi                 | 2001 Scholar, Founder Educating  |
| Hansen                         | Potential  |
| Dr Richard                     | 1999 Scholar, Assistant Professor,   |
| Johnston                       | English, United States Air Force Academy   |
| Mr Richard Hyde                | His Majesty's Consul-General in  |
|                                | Houston  |
| Dr Zachary                     | 2002 Scholar, Professor of Law,  |
| Kaufman                        | University of Houston  |



## Los Angeles Region

| Dr Anjali Tripathi (Chair) | 2009 Scholar, Astrophysicist, NASA                 |
|----------------------------|--|
| Mr Nilay Vora              | 2004 Scholar, Founder, The Vora Law Firm           |
| Ms Stephanie<br>Rose       | 2013 Scholar, Director of Photography              |
| Prof Leonard               | 1970 Scholar, Professor of                         |
| Srnka                      | Oceanography, University of California San Diego   |
| Ms Lara Hallet             | His Majesty's Deputy Consul-General in Los Angeles |

## **New York Region**

| Mrs Diane Flynn | Director, Beinecke Scholarship        |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| (Chair)         | Program                               |
| Mr Jeff Glueck  | 1992 Scholar, CEO Foursquare Labs,    |
|                 | Inc                                   |
| Dr Dhananjay    | 2009 Scholar, Assistant Professor,    |
| Jagannathan     | Philosophy, Columbia University       |
| Dr Ushma Neill  | 1999 Marshall Sherfield Fellow, Vice  |
|                 | President of Scientific Education and |
|                 | Training at Memorial Sloan Kettering, |
| Ms Laura        | Chief Communications Officer & Vice   |
| Washington      | President, Strategic Partnerships,    |
|                 | New-York Historical Society           |
| Ms Sandra       | 1985 Scholar, Business Talent Group,  |
| Pinnavaia       | EVP and Chief Innovation Officer      |
| Ms Hannah Young | His Majesty's Deputy Consul General   |
|                 | in New York                           |
|                 |                                       |



## **San Francisco**

| 2000 Scholar, CFO, Ignyta               |
|---|
|   |
| 1986 Scholar, Professor of Law, UC      |
| Hastings                                |
| 1965 Scholar, Poet                      |
|   |
| 1976 Scholar, Professor of Biochemistry |
| UCL                                     |
| Independent Writer and Consultant       |
|   |
| His Majesty's Deputy Consul-General in  |
| San Francisco                           |
|   |

## **Washington DC**

| Prof. A. Benjamin<br>Spencer (Chair) | 1996 Scholar, Dean and Chancellor Professor, William and Mary Law School      |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Ms Lauren Baer                       | 2002 Scholar, Consultant Albright Stonebridge Group                           |
| Dr Anna Quider                       | 2007 Scholar, Director of Federal<br>Affairs, University of Northern Illinois |
| Dr Elizabeth<br>Rosenthal            | 1978 Scholar, Editor in Chief, Kaiser<br>Health News                          |
| Dr Aliza Watters                     | 2005 Scholar, Lecturer in Writing, Johns Hopkins University                   |
| Mr Sam Heath                         | Head of Communications & Public Diplomacy British Embassy, Washington         |

## **Association of Marshall Scholars Executive Committee**

| Mr Scott Grinsell (President) | 2004 Marshall Scholar |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Dr Nell Breyer (Secretary/Exe | ecutive Director)     |
| Dr Zachary Kaufman (Vice      | 2002 Marshall Scholar |
| President)                    |                       |
| Dr Len Srnka (Clerk and       | 1968 Marshall Scholar |
| Treasurer)                    |                       |



# Marshall Scholars graduating at British universities since the 70th Annual Report

| <b>Name</b><br><b>2018</b>         | Region | University   | Degree   | Merit/<br>distinction |
|------------------------------------|--------|--|--|-----------------------|
| Dr Kobi<br>Felton                  | ATL    | Magdalene<br>College,<br>Cambridge                         | MPhil<br>Research<br>Chemical<br>Engineering<br>and<br>Biotechnology |                       |
|                                    |        | Magdalene<br>College,<br>Cambridge                         | PhD Chemical<br>Engineering  |                       |
| 2020                               |        |  |  |                       |
| Ms Leia<br>Yen                     | LA     | King's College<br>London<br>St Antony's<br>College, Oxford | MA Digital Humanities MSc Social Science of the Internet             | D                     |
| 2021                               |        |  |  |                       |
| Ms<br>Keerthana<br>Anna-<br>maneni | BOS    | Balliol College,<br>Oxford                                 | MPhil Politics:<br>Political Theory                                  | D                     |

| Name                           | Region | University                                       | Degree   | Merit/<br>distinction |
|--------------------------------|--------|--|--|-----------------------|
| Ms Elise<br>Campbell           | ATL    | Royal Academy of Music                           | MA<br>Performance                                      | M                     |
| Mr Patrick<br>Clinch           | ATL    | St Peter's<br>College, Oxford                    | MPhil British<br>and European<br>History 1700-<br>1850 | M                     |
| Mr Daniel<br>Doming-<br>uez    | HOU    | University of<br>Glasgow                         | MSc<br>Sustainable<br>Water<br>Environments            | M                     |
|                                |        | Cardiff<br>University                            | MSc<br>Computing                                       | D                     |
| Mr Isaiah<br>Fleming-<br>Klink | DC     | University of<br>York                            | MA Social<br>Research                                  | M                     |
|                                |        | University<br>College London                     | MSc Housing<br>and City<br>Planning                    | D                     |
| Ms Kiara<br>Gilbert            | ATL    | King's College,<br>Cambridge                     | MPhil English Studies: Criticism and Culture           |                       |
|                                |        | London School of Economics and Political Science | MSc<br>Philosophy and<br>Public Policy                 | M                     |

| Name                     | Region | University                              | Degree  | Merit/<br>distinction |
|--------------------------|--------|---|---|-----------------------|
| Mr Jorge<br>Ledesma      | BOS    | St Cross<br>College, Oxford             | MPhil<br>Comparative<br>Social Policy                     | D                     |
| Mx<br>Essence<br>Lotus   | NY     | Goldsmiths,<br>University of<br>London  | MA Applied<br>Theatre                                     | D                     |
|                          |        | St Anne's<br>College, Oxford            | MFA Fine Art  | D                     |
| Mr John<br>McHugh        | BOS    | University<br>College, Oxford           | MSc<br>Contemporary<br>Chinese<br>Studies                 | M                     |
|                          |        | University College, Oxford              | MSc Politics<br>Research                                  |                       |
| Ms Kayla<br>Matteucci    | HOU    | Corpus Christi<br>College,<br>Cambridge | MPhil Politics and International Studies                  |                       |
|                          |        | University of<br>East Anglia            | MSc Climate<br>Change and<br>International<br>Development | D                     |
| Mr<br>Ishmael<br>Maxwell | CHI    | The Queen's<br>University<br>Belfast    | MA Conflict Transformation and Social Justice             | D                     |

| Name                                | Region | University                                  | Degree  | Merit/<br>distinction |
|-------------------------------------|--------|---|---|-----------------------|
|                                     |        | Somerville<br>College, Oxford               | MSc Modern<br>South Asian<br>Studies                              | D                     |
| Ms<br>Yareqzy<br>Munoz              | CHI    | University of Manchester                    | MSc International Development: Poverty Inequality and Development | D                     |
|                                     |        | Gonville and<br>Caius College,<br>Cambridge | MPhil Planning,<br>Growth and<br>Regeneration                     | M                     |
| Ms Naomi<br>Murray                  | LA     | University College London                   | MSc Climate<br>Change   | D                     |
| •                                   |        | Imperial College<br>London                  | MSc Science<br>Commun-<br>ication                                 | D                     |
| Ms<br>Chimene<br>Ntakarut-<br>imana | CHI    | University<br>College London                | MSc Global<br>Migration   | M                     |
|                                     |        | University<br>College London                | MA Education,<br>Gender and<br>International<br>Development       | M                     |

| Name                         | Region | University                                       | Degree  | Merit/<br>distinction |
|------------------------------|--------|--|---|-----------------------|
| Mr<br>Langdon<br>Ogburn      | ATL    | King's College<br>London                         | MA Conflict,<br>Security and<br>Development                 | D                     |
|                              |        | London School of Economics and Political Science | MSc<br>International<br>Social and<br>Public Policy         | D                     |
| Mr<br>Marquis<br>Palmer      | NY     | SOAS<br>University of<br>London                  | MSc Political<br>Thought                                    | D                     |
|                              |        | Exeter College,<br>Oxford                        | MSc<br>Criminology<br>and Criminal<br>Justice               | D                     |
| Ms Frishta<br>Qaderi         | LA     | Christ Church<br>College, Oxford                 | MPhil Nature,<br>Society and<br>Environmental<br>Governance | D                     |
| Mr<br>Alexander<br>Sojourney | LA     | Goldsmiths,<br>University of<br>London           | MA Politics, Development and the Global South               | D                     |
|                              |        | Trinity College,<br>Oxford                       | MSc<br>Comparative<br>Social Policy                         |                       |

| Name                           | Region | University                                       | Degree  | Merit/<br>distinction |
|--------------------------------|--------|--|---|-----------------------|
| Ms Leah<br>Trotman             | ATL    | London School of Economics and Political Science | MSc<br>Health and<br>International<br>Development | M                     |
|                                |        | University College London                        | MA Caribbean and Latin American Studies           | D                     |
| Ms Mary<br>Caroline<br>Yuk     | ATL    | Somerville<br>College, Oxford                    | MSc<br>Neuroscience                               | M                     |
|                                |        | Magdalen<br>College, Oxford                      | MSc Medical<br>Anthropology                       |                       |
| 2022                           |        |  |   |                       |
| Ms Aissa<br>Dearing-<br>Benton | DC     | Oriel College,<br>Oxford                         | MSc<br>Environmental<br>Change and<br>Management  | D                     |
| Ms Maja<br>Lynn                | NY     | The Queen's<br>University<br>Belfast             | MA Conflict Transformation and Social Justice     | D                     |
| Ms Lydia<br>Nyachieo           | CHI    | University of<br>Manchester                      | MSc<br>International<br>Development               | D                     |

#### 71st Annual Report: Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission

## **Appendix 2**

## **Marshall Partnership Funding**

#### More than one new Scholar per year:

- University of Bristol
- University College London
- University of East Anglia
- University of Edinburgh
- Imperial College London
- King's College London
- University of Leeds
- University of Liverpool
- London School of Economics and Political Studies
- London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (pause from 2025-26)
- Queen Mary, University of London

#### One new Scholar per year:

- University of York
- University of Bath
- University of Birmingham
- University of Bradford
- Cardiff University
- University of Dundee
- Durham University
- University of Exeter
- University of Glasgow
- Guildhall School of Music and Drama
- University of Hull
- University of Keele
- University of Kent

- University of Manchester
- Newcastle University
- University of Nottingham
- Queen's University Belfast
- University of Reading
- University of Sheffield
- University of St Andrews
- University of Sussex (part funded by a senior member of the AMS)
- University of Warwick
- University of York

### **College Partnership Scholarships:**

These Scholarships are jointly funded by the Commission and the partner Oxford/Cambridge College for any subject either at Masters or Doctoral level, except where otherwise indicated:

#### More than one new Scholar per year:

- Magdalen College, Oxford (one award part funded by AMS donors)
- New College, Oxford

#### One new Scholar per year:

- Balliol College, Oxford
- Blavatnik-Brasenose, Oxford (new partnership from 2022/23 for Master of Public Policy only at Brasenose College)
- Christ's College, Cambridge (Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences)

- Christ Church, Oxford
- Downing College, Cambridge (Biological Sciences)
- Exeter College, Oxford
- Emmanuel College, Cambridge
- Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge Roger Tsien Marshall Scholarship
- King's College, Cambridge
- Magdalene College, Cambridge
- Newnham College, Cambridge
- Nuffield College, Oxford
- Oriel College, Oxford
- St John's College, Cambridge
- Somerville College, Oxford -Somerville Janet Watson Marshall Scholarship
- St Peter's College, Oxford
- Trinity College, Cambridge
- Trinity College, Oxford
- University College, Oxford

## **Foundation Funded Scholarships:**

- AMS Marshall Scholarship: Funded by an endowment donated by members of the Association of Marshall Scholars. One Scholarship at a time for two years.
- BSUF Marshall Scholarship: Funded by the British Universities and Schools Foundation and the AMS.
   One Scholarship at a time for two years.



## **Third Year Funding Scholarships:**

- Oxford Marshall Scholarships: Fully funded by the University of Oxford, up to three Scholarships.
- Cambridge Marshall PhD Scholarships: Fully funded by the Cambridge Trust, up to two Scholarships.

## **US Partnership Scholarships:**

 NIH Marshall Scholarships: Jointly funded by the Commission and the National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, USA. These scholarships support research specifically in the subject areas of bioscience, medicine and related disciplines with a predominant application in bioscience.



Devolved Government trip to Edinburgh April 2024



Fast Stream Event - Networking



## Appendix 3

### **Marshall Medal Recipients**

The Marshall Medal is awarded to people of outstanding achievement whose contribution to British-American understanding, distinguished role in public life, or creative energy, reflect the legacy of George C Marshall. It has been awarded on significant anniversaries in the life of the Scholarship programme or the Marshall Plan.

#### 2003:

#### Fiftieth Anniversary of the Marshall Aid **Commemoration Commission Act.**

Justice Stephen Breyer Dr Ray Dolby OBE Mr Tom Friedman OBE Professor Nan Keohane Mr Christopher Makins Senator George Mitchell Secretary Colin Powell

#### 2014:

#### Sixtieth Anniversary of the arrival of the first class of Marshall Scholars.

Ms Anne Applebaum Secretary Bill Burns Dr Frances Dow CBE Mr Bob Gray OBE

Rt Hon Lord Hague of Richmond Lord Hannay of Chiswick Professor Doug Melton Mr Jonathan Taylor CBE Dr Daniel Yergin

#### 2017:

Seventieth Anniversary of General Marshall's Commencement Speech at Harvard University announcing the Marshall Plan.

Secretary Madeleine Albright Ambassador Matthew Barzun Dr Nancy Cox Mr Reid Hoffman CBE Dr Bill Janeway CBE Rt Hon David Miliband

#### 2024:

Seventieth Anniversary of the Act of Parliament that created the Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission.

Governor Lisa Cook

Italics - Marshall Alumni



## **Appendix 4**

#### **Chairs of the Commission**

| Rt Hon Lord Coleraine Rt Hon Lord Sherfield 1965-1973 Sir Colin Crowe 1973-1985 Sir Donald Tebbit 1985-1995 Dr Robert Stevens 1995-2000 Mr Jonathan Taylor CBE 2000-2007 Dr Francis Dow CBE 2007- 2011 Dr John Hughes CBE 2011-2016 Mr Christopher Fisher 2016-2021 | Sir Oliver Franks      | 1953-1956  |
|---|------------------------|------------|
| Sir Colin Crowe 1973-1985 Sir Donald Tebbit 1985-1995 Dr Robert Stevens 1995-2000 Mr Jonathan Taylor CBE 2000-2007 Dr Francis Dow CBE 2007- 2011 Dr John Hughes CBE 2011-2016 Mr Christopher Fisher 2016-2021   | Rt Hon Lord Coleraine  | 1956-1965  |
| Sir Donald Tebbit 1985-1995 Dr Robert Stevens 1995-2000 Mr Jonathan Taylor CBE 2000-2007 Dr Francis Dow CBE 2007- 2011 Dr John Hughes CBE 2011-2016 Mr Christopher Fisher 2016-2021   | Rt Hon Lord Sherfield  | 1965-1973  |
| Dr Robert Stevens  Mr Jonathan Taylor CBE  Dr Francis Dow CBE  Dr John Hughes CBE  Mr Christopher Fisher  1995-2000  2000-2007  2007-2011  2011-2016  2016-2021   | Sir Colin Crowe        | 1973-1985  |
| Mr Jonathan Taylor CBE 2000-2007 Dr Francis Dow CBE 2007- 2011 Dr John Hughes CBE 2011-2016 Mr Christopher Fisher 2016-2021   | Sir Donald Tebbit      | 1985-1995  |
| Dr Francis Dow CBE 2007- 2011 Dr John Hughes CBE 2011-2016 Mr Christopher Fisher 2016-2021  | Dr Robert Stevens      | 1995-2000  |
| Dr John Hughes CBE 2011-2016 Mr Christopher Fisher 2016-2021  | Mr Jonathan Taylor CBE | 2000-2007  |
| Mr Christopher Fisher 2016-2021   | Dr Francis Dow CBE     | 2007- 2011 |
| <u> </u>  | Dr John Hughes CBE     | 2011-2016  |
| Mr. John Doine CMC ODE 2004   | Mr Christopher Fisher  | 2016-2021  |
| IVIT JOHN Raine CIVIG OBE 2021-   | Mr John Raine CMG OBE  | 2021-      |



2023 Class Secretary, Samara Zuckerbrod addressing the 2024 class at Welcome Reception



#### **Statement of the Commission**

The summarised financial statements are a summary of information extracted from the full annual financial statements and do not contain sufficient information to allow for a full understanding of the financial affairs of the Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission ('MACC').

For further information, the Commissioners' Annual Report, the full Annual Financial Statements and the auditor's report on those financial statements, should be consulted. These are all contained in the Annual Report and Financial statements, copies of which may be obtained free of charge from the Marshall Scholarship administration, MACC, British Council, 1 Redman Place, London E20 1JQ.

The annual report and financial statements were approved and were laid before Parliament as House of Commons paper HC 497 on 12 December 2024. The full annual financial statements from which the summary is derived have been audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General, who gave an unqualified audit opinion.

On behalf of the Commission

John Raine CMG OBE

Chair March 2025



## **Summarised Statement of Comprehensive Net Expenditure**

For the year ended 31 March 2024

|   | 2023-24   |
|---|-----------|
|   | £         |
| Grants and Donations from third parties | 132,005   |
| Total operating income                  | 132,005   |
|   |           |
| Scholarship costs                       | 2,794,994 |
| Selection process                       | 98,438    |
| Administration                          | 525,823   |
| Scholar experience in the UK            | 21,619    |
| Total operating expenditure             | 3,440,874 |
| Net operating expenditure               | 3,308,869 |
| Finance Income                          | 8,092     |
| Net expenditure for the year            | 3,300,777 |



## **Summarised Statement of Financial Position**

As at 31 March 2024

|                                     | 2023-24   |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|
|                                     | £         |
| Current assets                      |           |
| Trade and other receivables         | 738,108   |
| Cash and cash equivalents           | 277,112   |
| Total current assets                | 1,015,220 |
| Current liabilities                 |           |
| Trade and other payables            | (459,839) |
| Total current liabilities           | (459,839) |
| Provision for future liabilities    | -         |
| Total assets less total liabilities | 555,381   |
| Taxpayers' equity                   | 2023-24   |
|                                     | £         |
| General reserves                    |           |
| Of which attributable to:           |           |
| General Fund                        | 555,381   |
| Discretionary reserves              | 0         |
| Total reserves                      | 555,381   |



FCDO Panel - Orientation 2024



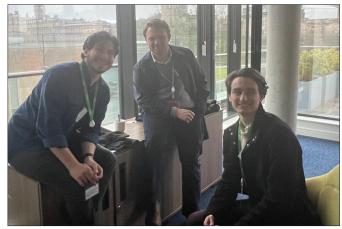
FCDO Panel - Orientation 2024



Fast Stream Event



Fast Stream Event - Marshalls get creative



Fast Stream Event - Marshall Scholars



Scottish Government Speaker presentation





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