Christopher Welch Scholarship / Newton Abraham Studentship
Terms and Conditions 2019/20

1. Duration of Awards
The regulation governing the bequest states “that no person shall hold a scholarship for more than four years”. The Christopher Welch Scholarships and Newton Abraham Studentships are awarded for 3.5 years.

2. Maintenance Grants
Maintenance grants are currently £17,000 per annum.

Scholars for the award are asked to inform the Christopher Welch Board of any other offers of financial support for the purpose of their studies at Oxford and adjustments may be made to take account of these.

Grants are paid in advance (the first instalment being due on 1 October) – the frequency of payments is determined by the appropriate department.

3. College and University Fees
Fees are paid at the rate for Home/EU students. Overseas candidates must have secured other funding which will cover the difference.

4. Research Support
£5K per annum per scholar will be available for the first three years of the scholarship. The monies go to the department and are devolved down to the supervisor NOT the student.

5. Reports
All scholars are required to submit reports as follows:
Year 1: an abstract of the Transfer of Status report by the end of their 3rd term
Year 2: a progress report at the end of their 6th term

All scholars are required, each term, to submit a report on their progress via the Graduate Supervision Reporting in Student Self-Service. These reports, and those submitted by the supervisor and Director of Graduate Studies, will be circulated to the Christopher Welch Board of Management annually and also in the event that a scholar requests to change the circumstances under which the award was originally made (e.g. if a change of programme of study is requested).

6. Other
Scholars for the award are required to immediately declare any other awards which they accept at any point during the term of this award; adjustments to this award may be made to take account other awards accepted.

Scholars are required to keep their names on the books of a college or hall and to keep statutory residence for six weeks in every term.

Scholars are required to consult the Christopher Welch Board before making substantial changes to their project, or changes of supervisors, during the tenure of their scholarships.

Scholars are asked to acknowledge the Christopher Welch Trust or Newton Abraham Visiting Professorship, as relevant, in their D.Phil. or other thesis, and in any paper or publicity resulting from their work.

Christopher Welch and Newton Abraham scholars are asked to submit a copy of the abstract and acknowledgements pages of their theses to confirm the position, and abstracts of published papers, presentations, and notes of research visits made.

1 This refers to the Christopher Welch Scholarship; the Newton Abraham Studentships is awarded for no more than 3.5 years
2 The Board requires scholars to produce such evidence of diligence in the prosecution of their studies as they may think fit and can deprive scholars of their studentship, either wholly or in part, if in their opinion they should prove themselves unfit to hold their studentship. The Board therefore requires scholars to provide a formal report at the end of each year of the studentship.
3 This progress report should be 4 pages long and should, in addition, contain a 200-word summary which should be understandable to the intelligent layman.