

Selection criteria for assessment of applications for 2012 Commonwealth Academic Fellowships tenable in the United Kingdom

	ACADEMIC MERIT	DEVELOPMENT IMPACT	QUALITY OF APPLICATION
Grading criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Career progression to date • Academic record • Referees' reports • Academic prizes or awards • Other relevant academic achievements • Publications and conference participation • Research grants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extent to which the candidate has shown that the proposed work will have a positive impact on 'development'¹ • The way and extent to which the candidate proposes to use the experience of this award to contribute to development in his/her own country • Evidence of past commitment to 'development' agendas through voluntary work or through leading and participating in relevant projects or programmes • Relevance and extent to which the Plan of Study fits well with the career progression and strengths of the candidate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extent to which the work programme has been well researched and a suitable host identified • Extent to which project builds on past experience of candidate – likely value added • Degree of innovation and clarity of presentation • Likely impact and relevance to field • Feasibility of project completion within the tenure of the award • Potential for future publication or other dissemination • Potential for ongoing collaboration

¹ The definition of 'development' is contentious, but can be considered to include, amongst other themes, the Millennium Development Goals, environmental issues, public health, education, governance, political, social and economic development.