

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Graduation Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
Major 1: \_\_\_\_\_  
Major 2: \_\_\_\_\_  
Major 3: \_\_\_\_\_  
Minor(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Academic Advisor(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Hometown: \_\_\_\_\_  
Concentration: \_\_\_\_\_  
Concentration: \_\_\_\_\_  
Concentration: \_\_\_\_\_

## The Davies-Jackson Scholarship

### Award Details:

#### *Emphasis:*

**Academic**

Research

Language

Experiential

**International**

#### *Brief Description:*

The Davies-Jackson Scholarship provides a unique opportunity for seniors graduating in 2018 (or who have graduated in 2017 and who have not yet begun graduate school) with a 3.7 or higher overall grade point average. Applicants should be among the first generation in their family to graduate from a four-year college or university.

Applications are accepted for study in the following areas: Archaeology; Classics; Economics; Education; English; Geography; History; History of Art; History of Modern Languages; History of Politics; Human, Social and Political Sciences; Mathematics; Modern and Medieval Languages; Music; Philosophy; and Psychological and Behavioral Sciences. Information on these subjects can be found at [www.joh.cam.ac.uk/subjects-st-johns](http://www.joh.cam.ac.uk/subjects-st-johns). Please note that applications should be made directly through the Scholarship and not through the University system.

Recipients of the Davies-Jackson Scholarship are admitted to Cambridge as affiliated students in St. John's College to work for a Cambridge BA degree. As affiliated students, Scholarship recipients take the more advanced courses of study over two years instead of the usual three. As a result of its academic rigor, the international travel opportunities that are available, and the overall preparation that the course of study provides towards a career, the "Cantab" degree is usually considered to be the equivalent of a master's degree in the United States. Some past Davies-Jackson Scholars have also chosen, following their first year at Cambridge, to transfer into a one-year M. Phil (Masters of Philosophy) program at the discretion of the St. John's Senior Tutor.

The Council of Independent Colleges assists the U.S. Selection Committee of the Davies-Jackson Scholarship to administer the program. Applications are accepted from September through October 20, 2017. Applications are reviewed by the Committee and semi-finalist candidates are forwarded to the Admissions Tutor at St. John's. Semi-finalists may be asked for additional writing samples and most recent transcripts and may be invited for a Skype interview with fellows of St. John's College. Final decisions are made by St. John's in January. Recipients of a Davies-Jackson Scholarship will be required to submit an account of their experience at St. John's College to the Committee at the end of each year of study.

Can The Award Be Deferred?                      No

Can The Award Be Renewed?                      No

### Eligibility:

Applicant Education Level:                      Senior undergraduate

Open to (Non-US) International Students:                      No

Required to Demonstrate Financial Need:                      No

Specified Majors:                      Yes, see above

Minimum GPA:                      None

**Selection:**

Number of Candidates Awarded Each Year: Varies

Interview: Phone Interview

Approximate Date Selected Candidates Are Notified: January

**Contact Information:**

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**Information Sessions:**

Webinars for Candidates: No

Webinars for Advisors: No

**Website:**

Official Website: <https://www.cic.edu/programs/davies-jackson-scholarship>

**Application:**

Date Application is Available: September

Application Due Date: October 20, 2017 at 5 PM

Application Must Be Submitted By: Candidate

Institutional Endorsement Required: No

Institutional Cover Letter Required: No

**Application Process:**

<i>The application includes the following</i>		Deadline	Date Completed
Completed Application Form		10/20/2017	_____
Three Completed Essays <sup>1</sup>		10/20/2017	_____
Academic Transcripts <sup>2</sup>		10/20/2017	_____
Two Letters of Recommendation <sup>3</sup>		10/20/2017	_____
Name	Position	Date Notified	Date Completed
_____	_____	_____	_____
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1. The essays should each be no more than 2,000 words, typewritten, and double-spaced on letter-size (8.5 x 11) paper. These essays should convey the significance and complexity of their subject matter and demonstrate a judicious use of quotation and other forms of evidence to support their assertions or conclusions. The subjects for the essays are:

- Why do you wish to pursue your proposed course of study at St. John's College?
- If you could have a discussion with any person in the history of your proposed area of study, who would it be, and what would you talk about?
- Address one of the following questions:
  - a. What could Americans learn from the historical experience of foreign countries and what might they learn from ours?
  - b. What do you see as the role of poetry in the 21st century?
  - c. Should the federal government have a role in promoting a more equal society and, if so, what should it be?
  - d. What constitutes an educated person in the 21st century?

2. You should ask any college or university you have attended to provide one copy of the official transcript of your academic performance to date. Please also include information about the courses in which you are currently enrolled. If you cannot send this with the application form, arrange for the institution to send it separately. You should also include information about the courses in which you are currently enrolled. (There is no need to send high school transcripts.)

3. You should ask at least two persons acquainted with your academic work (not members of your family) to complete a recommendation form on your behalf, indicating your academic fitness and general suitability to undertake your proposed course at Cambridge. These referees should be asked to send their letter directly to the address on the form. Your referees should be aware that there is no standard right of access to references in the United Kingdom.