



Kellner Family Foundation Sponsors 57 Students at the World's Best Universities

Prague (August 20, 2014) | The University of Oxford, the University of Cambridge, Yale University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) are, among many others, universities where students receiving grants under The Kellner Family Foundation's UNIVERSITIES project will soon be studying. In the sixth year that Foundation has been running the project, 57 students from the Czech Republic have been offered a grant from the Foundation giving them the opportunity to attend top universities, most of them in other countries, in the coming school year.

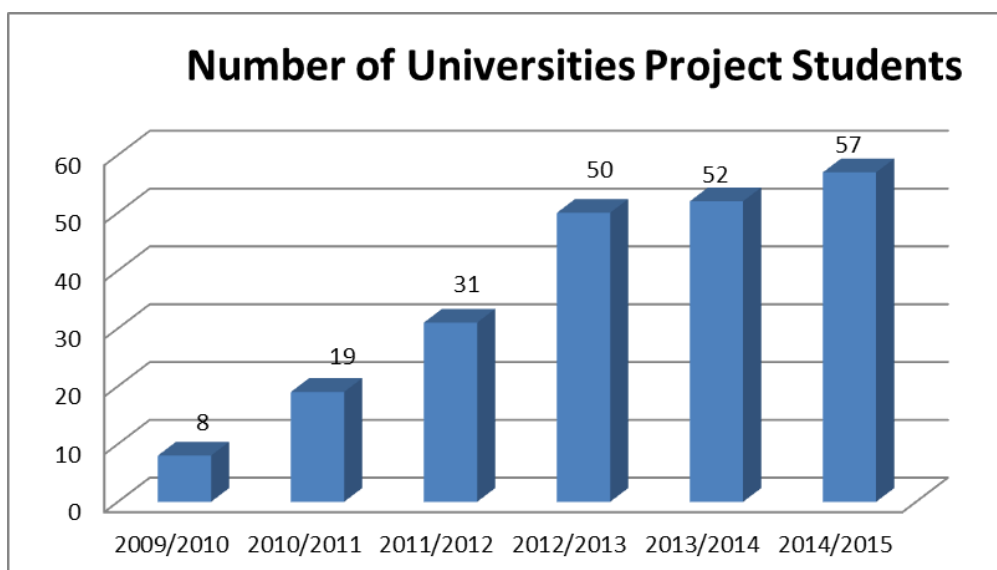
The Foundation awards grants through the UNIVERSITIES project to students who are achieving excellent academic results but whose social background complicates their access to a high-quality education. The Kellner Family Foundation will provide approximately CZK 11 million in grants under this project this year.

"Every year, approximately one hundred Czech students apply for grants from the Universities project. Each and every one of them achieves exceptional academic results, and each and every one of them is determined to be among the very best in their chosen field of study. It was therefore not at all easy to pick the 16 new students to join the project this year," says Mrs. Hana Halfarová, Director of the Universities and Open Gate projects at The Kellner Family Foundation. Nevertheless, the Foundation's grant is usually not the only source of education financing the students receive.

"Students will not only get a good education, but also valuable experience of life outside their home country. They most frequently head to universities in the United Kingdom, the U.S., Germany, and the Netherlands, as well as other countries; and some of them continue to pursue their education here in the Czech Republic," adds Mrs. Hana Halfarová. Their chosen areas of study also vary broadly. Students are opting for courses in mathematics, physics, chemistry, economics, law, journalism, and political science, as well as both visual and musical arts.

Candidates must submit their grant applications to the Foundation's Board of Trustees by the end of May of each year. Applicants must attach their academic and extracurricular achievements, proof of language proficiency in the form of examination results, a reference from a person who has been contributing to the candidate's academic or artistic development, information about the target university/college, an essay on their plans for the future, and documents proving the candidate's current financial standing. Great emphasis is also placed on volunteering and other things the student does for the benefit of their community and society as a whole.

The Foundation's Board of Trustees decides grants on the basis of the selections and recommendations made by a panel composed of Mrs. Renáta Kellnerová, Professor Radek Špišek, and Mrs. Hana Halfarová. In the second round of the selection process, the panel meets with the winning students for personal interviews.



List of universities and colleges attended by students from the Czech Republic sponsored by The Kellner Family Foundation in the 2014/2015 school year

United Kingdom | The University of Oxford, The University of Cambridge, Imperial College London, Coventry University, Durham University, The University of St Andrews, The University of Aberdeen, The University of York, University College London, The University of Glasgow, The University of Bristol, The University of Edinburgh, The University of Exeter, Aberystwyth University, Bath Spa University, The University of Warwick

U.S.A. | Boston University, Columbia University in the City of New York, Grinnell College, The Juilliard School of Music New York, Lynn University, The Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Northwestern University, Yale University

Czech Republic | Charles University's Second and Third Faculties of Medicine, ČVUT's IT Faculty, University of New York in Prague/Empire State College, The Jan Amos Komensky University Prague, Unicorn College, The University of Finance and Administration in Prague, The Institute of Hospitality Management in Prague

Australia | The University of Adelaide;

Canada | The University of British Columbia;

Germany | Technische Universität Dresden;

Netherlands | Erasmus Universiteit Rotterdam;

Notes for editors:

The Kellner Family Foundation is a family foundation set up by Mrs. Renáta Kellnerová and Mr. Petr Kellner in 2009 with a view to promoting mainly long-term educational projects intended for elementary school students and teachers, students of secondary schools and higher education institutions, and also postgraduates. It seeks out and supports academically gifted children and young people who grow up in environments that impede or prevent their access to high-quality education. The Foundation also provides grants to Czech scientists and research teams. It also lends a helping hand to promote a renaissance of philanthropic traditions and cultural heritage in the Czech Republic.

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Attachment to the Press Release: List of Scholarship Holders under the UNIVERSITIES project for the 2014/2015 school year

Scholarship holder	University/College	Field of Study
Abbasová, Hana	The University of Finance and Administration	Corporate Management and Finance
Adlerová, Barbora	The University of Warwick	Sociology and Culture
Benedetti, Simona	Unicorn College	International Trade and Management
Berger, František	Jan Amos Komensky University	Journalism
Bošková, Kateřina	University of New York in Prague/Empire State College	Psychology
Bucháček, Martin	The University of Cambridge	Mathematics and Physics
Buráš, Michal	The University of Cambridge	Mathematics
Čaloun, Jakub	Durham University	Philosophy, Politics and Economics
Čech, Jaroslav	Bath Spa University	Business and Management
Figala, Jan	Imperial College London	Aviation Engineering
Flegelová, Barbora	The University of Finance and Administration	Marketing Communication
Gelnarová, Michaela	Grinnell College	International Relations
Hassan, Alinuur Bille	Charles University, 2nd Faculty of Medicine	General Medicine
Hausmanová, Tereza	The University of Warwick	History and Political Science
Havlíček, Vojtěch	Imperial College London	Physics
Hazi, Josef	The University of Oxford/The Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Materials Science
Hřibalová, Kristýna	The University of York/University of British Columbia	Economics
Chalupa, Lukáš	ČVUT, IT Faculty	Web and Multimedia
Chalupný, Jan	The University of York	Politics and Economics
Jaškeová, Nikola	The Institute of Hospitality Management	Hotel Management
Jelínek, Jiří	Columbia University	Human Rights and Humanitarian Policy
Jelínek, Jonáš	University of St Andrews	International Relations
Jordán, Tomáš	Boston University	Biomedical Engineering
Kábrt, Martin	The University of York	Philosophy, Politics and Economics
Kohout, Pavel	The University of Cambridge	Engineering
Košata, Jan	The University of Edinburgh	Chemistry with Industrial Experience
Kroupová, Tereza	University College London	Atomic and Particle Physics with Cellular and Molecular Biology
Lalák, Adam	The University of Cambridge	Philosophy
Langr, Jakub	The University of Oxford	Philosophy, Politics and Economics
Leopoldová, Zuzana	University College London	European Social and Political Studies
Licková, Viktorie	Coventry University	Illustration and Graphics
Mach, Stanislav	The University of Warwick	Mathematics
Machálková, Alena	The University of Aberdeen	International Relations and Sociology
Marková, Nikola	The University of Glasgow	Psychology
Michal, Šimon	The Juilliard School of Music New York	Violin Playing
Michalčák, Ján	University College London	Politics and East European Studies
Mimrová, Monika	The University of Finance and Administration	Corporate Management and Finance
Musil, Jakub	The University of Edinburgh	Celtic & Linguistics
Musilová, Eva	Charles University, 3rd Faculty of Medicine	General Medicine
Mysliveček, Libor	The University of Bristol	Medicine
Paleček, Petr	Northwestern University	Psychology, Economics
Pečeňa, Adam	Northwestern University	Communications
Podhajský, Šimon	Yale University	Cognitive Science
Procházka, Patrik	Lynn University	Psychology, Management
Růžičková, Tereza	The University of Oxford	Psychology and Philosophy
Řezníček, Daniel	The University of Glasgow	Politics, Spanish, Central and East European Studies
Smutná, Jana	Imperial College London	Physics
Sova, Michael	Imperial College London	Materials Engineering
Svobodová, Anežka	The University of Exeter	Economics and Politics
Šícha, Prokop	Technische Universität Dresden	International Relations
Titěra, Tomáš	Erasmus Universiteit Rotterdam	Communication and the Media
Venenyová, Jolana	The University of Oxford	Russian and East European Studies
Vinárek, Michal	The University of Glasgow	Computer Science/Trade and Management
Vrtělová, Jitka	Aberystwyth University	Law and International Relations
Za Nzambi, Jennifer	The University of Edinburgh	Economics and Politics
Zlámalová, Eliška	The University of Edinburgh/University of Adelaide	Molecular Genetics
Židek, Augustin	The University of Cambridge	Mathematics and IT