**Imperial College London**

### School of Medicine - Guidelines for Scholarship Awards - 2020

You have been invited to submit an essay for consideration of the award of a Scholarship at the School of Medicine, Imperial College London. These guidelines are intended to help you with your essay and explain how we assess the work submitted to us.

1) The judges will be drawn from senior members of the School of Medicine's Admissions team. Two independent judges will read and assess each contribution in each of the three categories of award:
   a) first-year entrants;
   b) oxford transfer entrants.

2) The final decisions on the awards will be made by the Admissions Tutor on the recommendation of the judges. These decisions are final and there is no appeal procedure.

3) Candidates must have **unconditional offer** at the School of Medicine to be eligible for the award of a scholarship.

4) Essays must be submitted by 15 September 2020. Whilst the School of Medicine will try to be flexible in cases where students are unable to meet this deadline (if, for instance, abroad) we expect all candidates to do their best to submit their work by this date in the interests of others. The School of Medicine is under no obligation to consider any essay submitted after 15 September 2020.

5) Your essay should meet the 500 word limit ± 10% and you must include a word count at the end.

6) Before writing your essay we suggest you spend some time researching the topic and collecting relevant material.

7) Your essay should be properly referenced where appropriate (e.g. "Brown (1997) stated that…."). Short quotes are acceptable but the origin must be acknowledged.

8) At the end of your essay you should include a list of references (author, date, title and source). This list is NOT included in your word count.

9) Your essay should be well presented and submitted as an email attachment to feo-admissions-interviews@imperial.ac.uk. It should have a title page including the essay title, your name, date (month/ year) and category of scholarship (see paragraph 1 above). The title page is NOT included in your word count. You must include a written confirmation that the entire essay is your own work. You should note that plagiarism software may be used when assessing essays submitted for consideration for a scholarship.

10) We will send you an email to acknowledge receipt of your essay.

11) In arriving at their decisions the judges will consider:
- Originality of thought or argument
- Use of logical argument
- Evidence of careful consideration of research material
- Clarity of expression
- Correct use of English
- Correct spelling
- Presentation

We look forward to reading your essay.