THE BEN OGDEN MEMORIAL TRAVEL FUND

This fund was set up in memory of a Law graduate, Ben Ogden, who read Law with German at Hertford between 2004 and 2008. One of Ben’s passions throughout his legal career at Hertford and beyond was engagement in pro bono work, using his legal skills to help those in need. Ben received a special Attorney General’s Award to mark his contribution. Another of Ben’s passions was foreign travel. His friends founded this fund in his memory to support his very special legacy. The fund provides support of £500 per year to a Hertford student to support participation in a project involving pro bono activities abroad, with a preference for legal pro bono activity.

Fund Rules

(i) There will be an award of £500 per year to a Hertford student proposing to undertake pro bono legal work abroad, to support travel and other associated expenses. The Fund Committee may, at its discretion, split this award where there are applications of equal merit in a given year.

(ii) The Fund Committee will consist of the Law Tutors and the Registrar.

(iii) Applications will be assessed on the following criteria: (a) a supporting reference from the student’s tutor or supervisor; (b) the merit of the proposed activity; (c) the academic achievement of the applicant, and her wider civic contribution in the life of the College.

(iv) The fund is open to all current undergraduate and graduate students at Hertford College.

(v) The Committee reserves the right to make the award to support a pro bono project in a foreign country where there are no applications specifying a legal pro bono project in a given year. The Committee also reserves the right not to make an award.

(vi) It is a condition of receipt of the award that recipients of the fund are required to write a report to the College, which may be published in a College publication, giving an account of their experiences once the project has been completed.

Applications should be submitted to the Academic Administrator, Mrs Sue Finch, by the end of week 2 of Hilary Term, with the award decision being taken in Hilary Term. Applicants should provide a covering letter setting out the case for support, with particular attention to the matters set out in (iii) (b) and (c). Applicants should also arrange for the reference to be submitted to Mrs Finch by the end of week 2 Hilary Term.