Applicants for the Gates Cambridge Scholarship must first apply directly to a specific graduate program at the University of Cambridge. Graduate programs review applicants, and send forward their top candidates to the Gates Cambridge Foundation.

A completed application to the University of Cambridge includes:

- Application form
- 2 academic letters of reference
- Transcripts
- Any additional materials required by the specific graduate program to which you are applying

In addition, applicants must submit the following materials through the same application system:

- 1 personal reference
- Gates Cambridge Personal Statement

**Recommended Application Timeline: U.S. Students**

1. Schedule a consultation with a NS&FP advisor Early Fall 2015
2. Register and begin online application Early September 2015
3. Begin drafting Personal Statement Early September 2015
4. Request letters of reference Early September 2015
5. Request transcripts Early September 2015
6. Revise Personal Statement Mid-September to Mid-October 2015
7. Follow up with recommenders Early October 2015
8. Application deadline October 14, 2015
9. Supporting documents and references deadline 14 days after submitting application

**Next steps:** Finalists are notified in late December. Interviews are conducted in late January. Scholarship offers are made in early February.

**Recommended Application Timeline: International Students**

1. Schedule a consultation with a NS&FP advisor Early Fall 2015
2. Application available Early September 2015
3. Begin drafting Personal Statement Early September 2015
4. Request letters of reference Early September 2015
5. Request transcripts Early September 2015
6. Revise Personal Statement Mid-September to November 2015
7. Follow up with recommenders November 2015
8. Application deadline December 2, 2015
9. Supporting documents and references deadline 14 days after submitting application

**Next steps:** Finalists are notified in early March. Interviews are conducted in late March. Scholarship offers are made in late March/early April.

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