## **Purser Studentship**

This studentship was founded in 1904 by Professor Frederick Purser in memory of John Purser, Professor of Mathematics in Queen's College, Belfast, from 1863 to 1901, and Registrar from 1878 to 1901.

The studentship may be awarded to an internal candidate or a graduate of another University. The awardee(s) must hold a first-class MSci, MMath or equivalent, and the award will be made to the candidate(s) judged most likely to enhance the standing of the area in which they will study.

Students will be invited to submit a 1-page overview of why their PhD research project is timely, how they plan to contribute to it and where they see the developments going in the long-term. The deadline for completing this 1-page summary will be set by the School in October/November.

The holder(s) shall be required during the tenure of the studentship to pursue, to the satisfaction of the professor or lecturers concerned, a course of postgraduate research in pure or applied mathematics.

Any holder must be a full-time student; and the payment of each instalment shall be subject to the report of the professors or lecturers under whose direction the student is working.

The studentship is normally tenable for three years.

The value of the award, which shall normally be £1000 per annum. More than one award may be made annually if funds are available.

If no suitable candidate is available, no award will be made and the funds will be reinvested, to increase the value of the fund.