

COUNCIL FOR
ASSISTING REFUGEE ACADEMICS

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GRANTS FOR REFUGEE ACADEMICS

Do you fit this description?

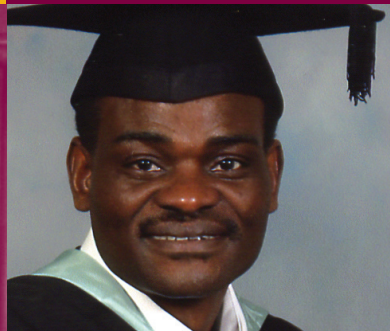
**Do you know someone
that fits this description?**



**“I have
Refugee Status
in the UK
(ie. ILR, ELR,
HP, DLR)”**

**AND “I was a
University Lecturer
or Researcher in
my country
of origin”**

**AND “I am seeking
to undertake a
qualification to
improve my job
prospects”**





GRANTEE PROFILES

"I worked as a lecturer and research assistant in Microbiology in one of the colleges in Zimbabwe, before I had to leave with my family because of death threats. One of the challenges I faced after arriving in the United Kingdom was that my diploma in Adult Education was not fully recognized and I decided to re-qualify to teach at secondary school level. CARA gave me a grant to do a part-time PGCE which I combine with part-time teaching. The grant covered my tuition fees, travel, IT equipment, books and childcare. CARA's help has changed my life."

"I graduated with a PhD in Venereology and worked as a Researcher at one of Moscow's Scientific Research Institutes. I also worked with Medicines sans Frontières providing medical help for displaced people. I finally had to leave my home country after being targeted by Russian troops. After I arrived in the UK, CARA helped me to re-qualify as a doctor in the UK, through a grant to cover my IELTS and PLAB exams and the costs associated with a three-month clinical attachment. I am now working as a doctor in a UK hospital."

CARA GRANTS

These grants are to fund refugee academics to take academic or professional qualifications to improve their employment prospects in the UK. In addition to tuition fees, CARA grants can cover related expenses, for example: exam or bench fees, books, research, travel, equipment, and childcare. On occasion, CARA will also fund work placements clearly related to employment.

Application forms can be obtained by contacting CARA by telephone on **020 7021 0880** or emailing **info.cara@lsbu.ac.uk**. If you are in doubt, we would be happy to discuss whether or not you are eligible for a CARA grant. If you fit the criteria, we will assist you with the submission of an application and presentation of supporting documents. If you do not fit the criteria, we can offer useful advice and information.

CARA promotes equal opportunities and welcomes applications from women who meet the above profile.

Deadline for applications: 5.00pm, Friday 14 December 2007

The Allocation Committee will meet in mid February 2008 to review applications and award grants. All applicants will be notified of the Allocation Committee's decision by 28 February 2008.

ABOUT CARA

CARA was established in 1933 in response to the persecution of academics by fascist regimes. Many of those assisted by CARA suffered torture, imprisonment and intimidation before fleeing to the UK. CARA has helped refugee academics to rebuild their lives in the face of financial hardship, prejudice and bureaucracy in the UK.

For more information, visit www.academic-refugees.org or call 020 7021 0880

