

## Fellowships Foster Future World Leaders

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Working to promote democracy around the world, the University is helping to school the leaders of tomorrow through its involvement with the Chevening Scholarship and Fellowship Programme, and the UK Government Security and Justice programme.

Run by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO), the Chevening Programme provides scholarships and fellowships at prestigious UK universities to students around the world.

Birmingham's International Development Department has been delivering Chevening Fellowship courses since their inception in 2005 and security and justice courses since 2006. The fellowships are intended for mid-career professionals from emerging democracies who have been identified by British Embassies as being important to the development of democratic institutions, practice and culture in those countries.

The courses – such as 'What makes democracy work?' – all support UK government goals including preventing and resolving conflict and countering terrorism and weapons proliferation.

Professor Paul Jackson, Head of the School of Government and Society, says: 'Any university that is a serious international player needs to be part of the Chevening Programme and there are now well over 200 Birmingham Chevening alumni. Our involvement gives us a strong link with the FCO, DFID and a network of future leaders all over the world.'

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