



INSOL INTERNATIONAL

INSOL Global Insolvency Practice Course 2019 / 2020

The Professor Ronald W Harmer Bursary

The GIPC is run by INSOL International in conjunction with a range of distinguished presenters from across the world including professors and lecturers from leading universities and institutions and partners from major professional firms. The GIPC is a postgraduate certification programme with duration of approximately nine months and formed of three modules. The programme is the result of INSOL International's strong relationships with academics from many countries all of whom specialise in international and comparative insolvency law.

INSOL International is offering a Bursary to enable a judge from an emerging country to participate in the 2019 / 2020 GIPC. The bursary has been named the Professor Ronald W Harmer Bursary to mark the enormous contribution made by Ron to academic learning in international and comparative insolvency law, most recently as a Professor at University College London, where he worked with the late Professor Ian Fletcher.

Core and Course Committees

The GIPC is monitored and administered by a course administrator, a Core Committee and a wider advisory Course Committee. Members of the committees include professors and key industry professionals, details and bios of whom are listed on our web site. They review applications to take the course and for the Bursary.

The Course

The course is comprised of three modules. To enable participants to experience a stimulating learning environment, Module A of the programme is held in one of the cities where the universities are located. Module B is organised to coincide with one of INSOL's annual conferences. So, besides participating in Module B, students will be able to attend the INSOL conference - a further valuable learning experience. Module C is carried out online and involves a virtual restructuring including a video conference court hearing with judges from the English High Court and the US Bankruptcy Court.

Dates

Course commences 1st October 2019

Module A, London

Welcome Reception Sunday 24th November 2019

Day 1 – Day 3 25th – 27th November 2019

Module B, Cape Town

Day 1 – Day 2 12th – 13th March 2020

Oral Exams Saturday 14th March 2020

INSOL Cape Town 15th – 17th March 2020

Module C, London, New York

Virtual Court Monday 1st June 2020

1st – 5th June 2020

Virtual on-line restructuring. Access to video conferencing facility.

Full details of the course can be found in the course brochure located on our web site at www.insol.org

Language of the GIPC

The course and examinations are conducted in English.

Minimum eligibility criteria for the Bursary

A candidate:

- must hold a degree or a certificate of qualification from an accredited college or faculty of law, university or professional education institute;
- possess a minimum of five years of relevant experience in the field of their work, three of which have to have been in commercial matters;
- a sound working knowledge of English, both written and spoken;
- be working in a judicial or regulatory capacity dealing with commercial matters;
- in connection with Module C:
 - (a) must be able to commit to a minimum of 36 hours preparation and contact time;
 - (b) before and during the week of Module C have access to a high-speed broadband connection and access to such computer out of hours; and
 - (c) if not attending in person the live court hearing in London or New York on 1st June 2020, have access to video conferencing facilities on that day to join the hearing.

Preference will be given to a suitable candidate who works in or is a national of, a developing or emerging nation.

To apply for the Bursary applicants must submit the following in the English language:

- completed application form including an explanation why the applicant considers he or she should be awarded the Bursary;
- a document evidencing a degree or a certificate of qualification from an accredited college of law, university or professional education institute;
- a statement that the candidate possesses a minimum of five years of relevant experience in the field of their work, three of which have to have been in commercial matters;
- a full C.V., including professional experience; and
- a statement from the candidate's current employer stating that they are aware of their application and confirming that the information in the application form is correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Copies of original documents may be sent in pdf form. It is the policy of INSOL not to return any application materials of applicants. These will be destroyed in compliance with English data protection legislation.

As part of the Bursary application process, a conference call interview with the Core Committee may be required.

Deadline for application for the Bursary

Applicants who satisfy the minimum eligibility criteria and wish to apply for the Bursary must submit an application form with attendant required documentation on or before the deadline of **1st July 2019**. INSOL accepts applications sent by regular mail, courier, fax and e-mail. Phone application is not accepted.

The Course Committee will review Bursary applications and their decision will be final. There is only one Bursary available. Applicants will be advised of the decision of the Course Committee by **31st July 2019**.

What the Bursary covers

The Bursary shall not in any circumstances exceed £20,000 in total. Subject to that, the Bursary will cover:

- course fees of £7,750;
- travel based on an economy fare to and from London for Module A;
- accommodation in London for Module A;
- travel based on an economy fare to and from Cape Town for Module B and to attend the INSOL Cape Town Conference following the Module;
- accommodation in Cape Town for Module B for 7 nights.
- INSOL Cape Town Conference delegate fees;
- any necessary out-sourced technical support required to participate in Module C –2020

Conditions of reimbursement under the Bursary

Booking of all flights is the responsibility of the successful candidate but prior confirmation from INSOL is a condition of reimbursement under the Bursary. Reimbursements by INSOL International will follow attendance at the course Module.

Accommodation for Module A and Module B will be booked and paid for by INSOL International and deducted from the Bursary amount.

Course fees will be deducted from the Bursary.

Should out-sourced technical support for the video conference be required for Module C, this should be agreed with INSOL International which may elect to arrange and pay for the facility direct.