

# Masters Excellence Scholarship 2023-24

This scholarship scheme is for Home (UK) students seeking to join our University in 2023-24. The award is offered as a 25% discount on tuition fees. Details of the award available under this scheme are as follows:

## **Terms and conditions**

### **Eligibility**

- These scholarships are restricted to full-time students who are Home fee payers and are entirely self-funded\*.
- Students must have been awarded a first-class honours bachelor's degree from a UK university.
- Eligible courses are those which are full-time Taught Masters programmes leading to the degree of MA, MSc, or LLM and start in October 2023 and January 2024.
- Applicants who have firmly accepted an offer of a place by 14 July 2023 (for October 2023 start) or 13 October 2023 (for January 2024 start) and met the academic conditions of entry, will be considered for these scholarships.
- The scholarship is offered in the form of a reduction on the annual tuition fee for the first year of full-time study only.
- Only one scholarship award can be made per student and the award cannot be held in conjunction with any other University of Essex scholarships.
- Successful applicants should be available for promotional activities.

## Students who are not eligible

The following applicants are NOT eligible for the Masters Excellence Scholarship regardless of meeting the above criteria:

<sup>\*</sup>Students receiving a repayable loan to fund their studies will be considered as self-funded.

- Student studying on a part-time basis.
- Students who are fully or partly sponsored.
- Students who are studying a Masters normally delivered wholly online.
- Students studying postgraduate courses below Masters level: including, but not limited to, Graduate Certificates, Graduate Diplomas, Postgraduate Certificates (PGCerts), and Postgraduate Diplomas (PGDips).
- This scholarship award does not apply to deferred entry. Where a scholarship has been awarded to a student who subsequently defers entry to the following academic year, the award will be withdrawn and the applicant will be considered again in line with the terms and conditions that apply in the new proposed year of entry

### How to apply

If you meet all the eligibility criteria, you will automatically be considered for this award. You don't need to complete an application form. The University will assess your eligibility based on the academic transcripts and certificates you submit with your application for your place at Essex. No alternative supporting evidence will be accepted.

#### **Payment arrangements**

- These scholarships will only be made available as a reduction on the tuition fee that is payable on registration at the University. Payment cannot be offset against a tuition fee deposit if one is required.
- If you intermit from your course, you may, at the discretion of the University, be entitled to a prorata payment of the remainder of your award on your return to study. Please contact the Funding Team for further information.

## **Resolution of disputes**

Acceptance of this award constitutes acceptance of these terms and conditions. Registered students should contact the <u>Funding Team</u> in the first instance for guidance regarding this award. In cases not covered by the above terms and conditions, or where a student claims exceptional circumstances, or disputes a decision not to make payments due under an award, final appeals on decisions regarding eligibility must be made via the <u>Student Complaints process</u>. The Academic Registrar or their nominee will review the case and his/her decision will be final.

These terms and conditions apply to the academic year 2023-24. The University of Essex reserves the right to update these terms and conditions as necessary.