Black, Arab and mature students Bursary 2021-22

The University of Essex is offering a £500 bursary to black, Arab or mature students progressing directly from undergraduate study at the University of Essex to postgraduate study in academic year 2021-22 and are self-funding all of their tuition fee.

Terms and conditions

1. Eligibility

- The award is available to students who have completed their undergraduate studies at the University of Essex and progress directly to postgraduate study starting in academic year 2021-22.
- Students must have an ethnic origin of Black or Arab, or have been classed as a mature student at undergraduate level (students who start their undergraduate degree at 21 or over)
- Students must register for an eligible postgraduate taught course at Essex in October 2021. Eligible courses are those which are full-time or part-time, leading to the degree of MA, MSc, MBA, LLM, MFA, MAPH, or MRes.
- Students must be entirely self-funding all of their tuition fee.
- The award is open to applicants on the full-time and part-time programmes.

Mature students who also meet the ethnicity requirements will only receive one award.

If you have been offered this bursary, but request to defer your entry, your award offer will be reconsidered in line with the terms and conditions that apply in the new year of entry.

2. Students who are not eligible

The following students are not eligible for this discount:

- Students who are fully or partly sponsored, i.e. not self-funding all of their tuition fee;
- The bursary will only be awarded based on the eligibility criteria and on the courses specified above. The following are not included:
  - Further exchange study
  - Executive (modular) MBA study
  - Credit accumulation study
  - Professional development modules
  - Degree Apprenticeship programmes

3. How do I apply?

The bursary will be automatically applied using the information provided at the point of registration for your postgraduate study. For mature students, we will identify you by your mature status during your undergraduate study. The award will be paid directly to you as a £500 bursary payment in the first year of study only.

This bursary can be used in conjunction with the existing alumni loyalty discount fee discount and Alumni Loyalty Plus bursary. No other awards can be held in conjunction.
4. Payment arrangements

The bursary is worth £500 for the first year of study only. Payment will be made in one instalment in February. Students must be registered for full-time or part-time study in order to receive payment (see bursary suspension below).

Please note that if our records show that you are in debt to the University when an award payment is due to be made, the payment will be offset against your student account in the first instance, and you will be entitled to receive any outstanding balance.

5. Resolution of disputes

Acceptance of this award constitutes acceptance of these terms and conditions. Registered students should contact the Funding Team 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 Student Complaints process. The Academic Registrar or his/her nominee will review the case and his/her decision will be final.

These terms and conditions apply to the Black, Arab and mature students Bursary for the academic year 2021-22. The University of Essex reserves the right to update these terms and conditions as necessary.