

GREAT - Scholarships for a Sustainable Future University of Essex 2021-22

Egypt and Turkey

The GREAT Scholarships for a Sustainable Future programme is a joint initiative by the British Council and the UK Government, designed to attract some of the brightest postgraduates from around the world to study at UK universities in climate change related subjects.

In partnership with the British Council and the GREAT Britain Campaign, the University of Essex is proud to be able to offer two (2) GREAT - Scholarships for a Sustainable Future University of Essex 2021-22 for applicants from Egypt and Turkey. There is one scholarship available for each country.

The scholarship is valued at £10,000, which must be used towards the cost of tuition fees for a one-year taught Master's (MA, MSc) degree in any climate change discipline offered at the University of Essex, which are listed below:

- MA International Development
- MA Quantitative International Development
- MA / MSc Environmental Futures & Climate Change
- MA Environment, Society & Culture
- MA Wild Writing: Literature, Landscape and the Environment
- MSD Environmental Biology
- MSD Environmental Science

In addition to the normal criteria for admission to the chosen University of Essex Master's degree, a GREAT Scholar must be:

- Active in the field with work experience or with a proven interest in the proposed subject area;
- Able to demonstrate their motivation and academically be able to follow and benefit from an Essex postgraduate taught course;
- Willing to embody the UK Higher Education experience, by attending lectures and tutorials and engaging with extra-curricular activities, and act as an ambassador for UK Higher Education, by promoting the value of studying at a UK HEI;
- Willing to act as a spokesperson in the climate change space;
- Willing to establish an engagement with the UK as a scholar, through personal and academic fulfilment;
- Willing to attend COP26 related events in the UK upon invitation from the British Council ;
- Willing to demonstrate future contribution to capacity-building and socio-economic advancement in the climate change space through the benefits achieved after graduating from UK higher education;
- As an alumnus of the UK, be willing occasionally to speak to potential candidates about his or her own experience of studying in the UK.

Terms and conditions

Eligibility

- You must be permanently domiciled in Egypt or Turkey;
- Be classed as an international student for fee purposes;
- Hold an offer (conditional or unconditional) to start a one year full time Master's degree on the provided subject list starting in October 2021;
- Have a background of extracurricular activities relating to your chosen subject area and a evidenced interest in combatting climate change;
- Only one scholarship award can be made per student and the award cannot normally be held in conjunction with other University of Essex awards.

Students who are not eligible

The following students are NOT eligible for this scholarship regardless of meeting the above criteria:

- Students undertaking courses at East 15 Acting School;
- Students who are fully or partly sponsored;
- Students who are not assessed as international student for fee purposes.

These scholarship awards do 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

Complete the application form and submit to greatscholarships2021@essex.ac.uk by **Friday 30 April 2021**. Successful applicants will be notified on or before Monday 21 June 2021.

To help you prepare, we have outlined the information you will need below:

Personal details and application information

You will need:

- application ID (if you're a Postgraduate Student)
- course or programme of study you've been accepted for
- name
- email address
- nationality
- country of residence
- current or most recent educational institution
- details of any other funding you are due to receive

Application questions

There are three questions which you will need to complete. The maximum word count for each question is 200 words. The questions are:

- a) We are looking to support the brightest and best individuals who will actively contribute to the development of their home nation in the future. Please describe any special attributes or accomplishments that you think make you deserving of a GREAT - Scholarship for a Sustainable Future - University of Essex 2021-22?

This could be any academic or extra-curricular achievements, as well as your reasons for applying to the scholarship programme and why you want to study a subject related to climate change.

- b) We are looking for scholars who will be great ambassadors for the University of Essex. Please give an example of when you have recently contributed to your community.

This could be your School or University, where you live, or any other community you feel a part of.

- c) We would like to support students who have clear goals for their future. Please explain how studying your chosen programme at the University of Essex will help you to shape your plans after graduation?

Explain what has attracted you to study at the University of Essex, as well as outlining your ultimate career goals.

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.

Data Privacy Statement

The University of Essex takes confidentiality very seriously, your application form will only be seen by members of staff involved in processing your application. Information is kept in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) as it applies in the UK, tailored by the Data Protection Act 2018. Personal data will be used solely for statistical purposes and electronic record keeping and may be made available to authorised University staff to allow statistical information to be analysed.

This data will not be passed to any other third party without your consent, except when the University is required to do so by law. Any formal enquiries concerning the use of data noted here should be addressed to the Head of Student Services.

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 GREAT - Scholarship for a Sustainable Future - University of Essex 2021-22. The University of Essex reserves the right to update these terms and conditions as necessary.