

PGR EU Scholarships 2022-23

This scholarship scheme is for postgraduate research (including MAD, MSD, MPhil) EU students studying as a new student in academic year 2022-23 who are classified as international students for fees purposes. The awards offered are a discount of £8,000 automatically deducted from your tuition fees.

Terms and conditions

Eligibility

- These scholarships are restricted to students who are overseas fee payers and are entirely self-funded*.
- Students must be ordinarily resident (see below for the definition of ordinary residence) in an EU country.
- Students must be starting their first year of study on a postgraduate research (including PhD) programme at the University of Essex in 2022-23.
- Applicants who have firmly accepted an offer of a place by 16 September 2022 (for October 2022 start) or 06 January 2023 (for January 2023 start) and met the academic conditions of entry, will be considered for these scholarships.
- Only one scholarship award can be made per student and the award cannot be held in conjunction with any other University of Essex scholarships.
- This scholarship is available for the first year of postgraduate research study only.
- Successful applicants should be available for promotional activities.

*Students receiving a repayable loan to fund their studies will be considered as self-funded and includes tuition loans from the following bodies:

- Norwegian State Loan (Lanekassen),
- Swedish Board of Student Finance (CSN),
- Social Insurance Institution of Finland (KELA)
- Denmark State Educational Grant and Loan Scheme.

Students who are not eligible

The following students are NOT eligible for the PGR EU Scholarship regardless of meeting the above criteria:

- Students who are not ordinarily resident in an EU country.
- Students who are fully or partly sponsored.
- Students undertaking a research course that is normally delivered wholly online
- 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has been awarded to a student who subsequently defers entry to the following academic year, the award will be withdrawn and the applicant will be considered again in line with the terms and conditions that apply in the new proposed year of entry.
- Students transferring from another from another UK higher education institution.
- Students who are classified as a Home fee paying student.
- Students studying an MRES or Professional Doctorate.

What is “Ordinary Residence”?

For the purposes of assessing eligibility for the scholarship, you must have been ordinarily resident in an EU country, for the three-year period prior to commencing your course.

Ordinarily resident means that you must have been habitually, normally and lawfully residing in an EU country from choice for the specified period. The three-year period for courses starting in October 2022 is calculated as 1 September 2019 to 1 September 2022.

Temporary absences during this three-year period may be permitted at the discretion of the relevant University officer. Students may be asked to provide documentary evidence to determine ordinary residence and an assessment of whether a student meets the ordinary residence criteria will normally be made by the Head of Admissions or their nominee, and their decision will be final.

How to apply

We'll assess your eligibility based on the information that you submit with your application for your place at Essex.

If you meet all the eligibility criteria, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship. You don't need to complete an application form.

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 pro-rata 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 [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 their nominee will review the case and his/her decision will be final.

These terms and conditions apply to the academic year 2022-23. The University of Essex reserves the right to update these terms and conditions as necessary.