

Africa Scholarship Programme 2018-19

If you're an international student from Africa and are self-funding your undergraduate or Pathway studies, you could be eligible for a scholarship of £3,000, paid as a discount on your first year's tuition fee. All applications for relevant courses will automatically be considered for this award.

Terms and conditions

Eligibility

- These scholarships are restricted to applicants who are overseas fee payers and are entirely self-funded. They are not available to students who are fully or partly sponsored.
- Applicants must be a national of an African nation (defined as a member state of the African Union) and ordinarily resident in an African nation.
- Eligible courses are full time courses leading to the award of a Foundation Degree, Bachelor's Degree or Integrated Masters (four years) and year 0 of an Essex Pathways degree.
- Only one scholarship award can be made per student and the award cannot normally be held in conjunction with other University of Essex awards.
- This scholarship is available for the first year of study only.
- These scholarships do not apply to deferred entry. Where a student to whom a scholarship has been offered requests deferred entry, the award will be considered again in line with the terms and conditions that apply in the new proposed year of entry.

How to apply

- All academic applications will automatically be considered for this scholarship.
- Applicants who have firmly accepted an offer of a place by 31 August 2018 and obtain a place on a course at Essex, will be considered for these scholarships. Applications submitted after that date may be considered depending on availability of funds.
- Successful applicants will be informed, in writing, by the end of October 2018 of any award to be offered.

What is "Ordinary Residence"?

For the purposes of assessing eligibility for the scholarship, you must have been ordinarily resident in an African nation 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 African nation from choice for the specified period. The three-year period for courses starting in October 2018 is calculated as 1 September 2015 to 1 September 2018. 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 in order 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 his/her nominee, and his/her decision will be final.

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, with the agreement of your department and at the discretion of the Director of Marketing and Student Recruitment, 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 his/her nominee will review the case and his/her decision will be final.

These terms and conditions apply to the academic year 2018-19. The University of Essex reserves the right to update these terms and conditions as necessary.