

Essex Undergraduate Early Bird Discount 2025-26

If you're an international student studying at one of our listed global channel partners in Malaysia, you could be eligible for a tuition fee discount of £1,000 for your first year of study only.

Country	Global Partner Institution
Malaysia	Advanced Tertiary College (ATC) Brickfields Asia College (BAC) Taylor's College (only when students apply via Taylor's placement centre) Taylor's University (only when students apply via Taylor's placement centre)

Terms and conditions

Eligibility

- These scholarships are restricted to students who are overseas fee payers and are entirely self-funded*.
- Students must be studying on a link/partnership agreement at one of our Global Channel Partners listed above to be considered for this award.
- Applicants must meet our standard conditional offer.
- Applicants from Advanced Tertiary College (ATC) must actively make Essex their firm choice by 30 April 2025.
- Applicants from Brickfields Asia College must actively make Essex their firm choice by 30 April 2025.
- Applicants from Taylor's College and Taylor's University must actively make Essex their firm choice by 30 June 2025.

- Applicants that become firm with Essex through rejection by their original firm choice selection elsewhere are not eligible.
- Successful applicants should be available for promotional activities.
- This discount can be held in conjunction with other University of Essex scholarships.

*Students receiving a repayable loan to fund their studies will be considered as self-funded.

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.
- University of Essex International College (UEIC) Pathway students.
- Students undertaking a degree that is normally delivered wholly online.
- Students awarded the scholarship who defer entry to following academic years will be ineligible to receive the award and will be considered in line with the terms and conditions that apply in the new proposed year of entry.
- Students who are fully or partly sponsored by their government or other external agency and are not required to make any repayments (this does not include Visa sponsorship).
- Students who are assessed as paying home tuition fees.
- Current students whose first year of undergraduate study at the University of Essex, was prior to academic year 2025-26.
- Students studying the EWIE joint educational programme.

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.

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. Applicants should contact the [Undergraduate Admissions Team](#) in the first instance for guidance regarding this award. Registered students should contact the [Funding Team](#). 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 2025-26. The University of Essex reserves the right to update these terms and conditions as necessary.