

Schools and Colleges Membership

Bursary 2027-28

The University is offering eligible students a £1,000 bursary if they are from Schools and Colleges Membership Plus, London, South East or Midlands schools and colleges, progressing to an undergraduate course at the University of Essex in October 2027-28.

Students eligible for the Schools and Colleges Membership Bursary are those from partner schools or colleges (listed below).

Schools Membership Plus	
Attleborough Academy	King Edmund School
Basildon Upper Academy	Long Road Sixth Form College
Brentwood County High School	Lift New Rickstones
Cecil Jones Academy	Northgate Sixth Form
Chelmsford College	Notley High School and Braintree Sixth
Lift Clacton	USP College (Unified Seevic Palmer's College)
Clacton County High School (Sigma Sixth Tending)	Plume School
Colchester County High School for Girls	South Essex College
Colchester Institute	Suffolk New College
Copleston High School Ipswich	One Sixth Form College, Suffolk (Suffolk One)
East Norfolk Sixth Form Centre	Lift Tending
Lift Greensward	The FitzWimarc School
Harwich and Dovercourt High School	The Philip Morant School and College (Sigma Sixth Colchester)
Havering Sixth Form College	The Sandon School
Hedingham School & Sixth Form	The Sixth Form College Colchester
Jo Richardson Community School	Thomas Gainsborough School

Schools Membership London

All Saints Catholic School & Technology College	Haringey Sixth Form College
ARK Elvin Academy	Heathcote School
Barking Abbey School	Leyton VI Form College
Barking and Dagenham College	New City College: Epping Forest and Redbridge campuses
Barnet and Southgate College	Newham College of Further Education
Beal High School	Newham Sixth Form College (NEWVIC)
Beths Grammar School	Oaks Park High School
BSix Brooke House Sixth Form College	Sir George Monoux College
Christ The King Sixth Form College: Aquinas, St Mary's, and Emmanuel	St Angela's Ursuline School
CCC, City and Islington College, CANDI Sixth Form College	St Charles Catholic Sixth Form College
CCC, Westminster Kingsway College	St Francis Xavier Sixth Form College
City of London Academy, Southwark	Thomas Tallis School
City of Westminster College	Uxbridge College
Dagenham Park Church of England School	Waltham Forest College
Harris Academy Chafford Hundred	Woodbridge High School, Woodford Green

Schools Membership South East

Andover College	North Kent College (Tonbridge, Dartford, and Gravesend Campuses)
Barton Peveril College	Peter Symonds College
Bexhill College, Bexhill on Sea	Portsmouth College
Brighton Hove and Sussex Sixth Form College (BHASVIC)	Queen Mary's College
Brockenhurst College	Rainham School for Girls
Cheam High School	Reading College
Chichester College	Reigate College
Collyers VI Form College	Strode's College
East Sussex College (Eastbourne, Lewes and Hastings Campuses)	The Langley Park School for Boys
EKC Canterbury College	The Sixth Form College Farnborough
Esher College	Townley Grammar School
Godalming College	Varndean College
Havant and South Downs College (HSDC)	WG6 - Wilmington Grammar Sixth Form (Boys and Girls)
Hayes School	Woking College

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Langley Park School for Girls	Worthing College
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Schools Membership Midlands

Beauchamp City Sixth Form Bilborough Sixth Form College Birmingham Ormiston Academy Boston College Burton and South Derbyshire College Cadbury Sixth Form College Caludon Castle Business & Enterprise Coventry College Dudley College of Technology Halesowen College King Edward VI College, Stourbridge Kingsthorpe College Leicester College Lincoln College Loughborough College Moulton College Newcastle and Stafford Colleges Group (Newcastle and Stafford Campus) Northampton College	Northampton School for Boys Nottingham College (including High Pavement Sixth Form) Rawlins Academy Solihull College & University Centre Solihull Sixth Form College Stamford College Sutton Coldfield College (Birmingham Met College) The Beauchamp College The Priory Academy LSST Toot Hill College Wolverhampton Girls' High School Wyggeston & Queen Elizabeth I College (WQE Leicester)
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Terms and conditions

Eligibility

- This bursary is restricted to students who have completed their studies at one of our Schools and Colleges Membership Plus, London, South East or Midlands schools/colleges in academic year 2026-27 (noted in the tables above).
- The studies completed at one of the eligible schools above must be at Level 3 or below of the Qualifications Levels for England.
- Students must be progressing directly from their studies at one of the named schools/colleges listed above.

- Students must register for their first year of a full-time undergraduate degree** at the University of Essex in October 2027-28.
- This bursary may be held in conjunction with other University of Essex awards, including but not limited to: Essex Futures Bursary 2027-28;
- This scholarship/bursary is available for the first year of study at undergraduate level in 2027-28 only.
- Students studying distance learning courses, delivered wholly by the University of Essex.
- Successful recipients should be available for promotional activities.

**Courses leading to the award of a Diploma of Higher Education, Foundation Degree, Bachelors Degree, or Integrated Masters (four years).

Students who are not eligible

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

- Students studying University of Essex Online courses, delivered in partnership with Kaplan Open Learning.
- 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 transferring into the second year from another UK higher education institution.
- Students directly continuing from one course to another (for example from Foundation degree or HND on to the final year of an honours degree).
- Students who are fully or partly sponsored, including by a government, other external agency or employer and they are not required to make any repayments (this does not include Visa sponsorship). This also includes members of University of Essex Staff receiving a full or partial tuition fee waiver.

How to apply

To be considered for these awards you must complete and submit the application form available on our website by 11:59 PM BST on 10 September 2027.

Payment arrangements

- The bursary is worth £1,000 for the first year of study in 2027-28 only. Payment will be made in two instalments, usually in February and May via the [Essex Aspire Platform](#) - You will receive an

email from student.info@essex-aspire.co.uk with details on how to register an [Essex Aspire Account](#) (if you're not already registered) and how to access your award. Once registered, your award will be available immediately and you will be able to withdraw the award to a UK bank account. Students are required to open a UK bank account to receive payment. Alternatively, if this payment method isn't available, we will contact all successful students by email before the payment date to request that UK bank account details are entered into My Essex to ensure that payment can be made. Students must be registered and meet the above conditions to receive payment.

- Please note that if our records show that debt is owed to the University when an award payment is due, the payment will be offset against the student account in the first instance, and any balance remaining will be paid.
- Bursary funds must be claimed by **21 July 2028**, by the end of your course (if your final year is **2027-28**), or before the start of an approved leave of absence or withdrawal from your course, **whichever occurs first**. To claim your bursary, you must either withdraw the funds to your bank account or provide your bank details, depending on the payment method listed above. Any unclaimed funds after the relevant deadline will no longer be accessible and will be returned to the University. You will then no longer be eligible to receive the bursary and will not receive any payment for the **2027-28 academic year**.

Bursary suspension

The bursary will be suspended during a period of approved leave of absence (intermission) where this period covers a whole or part of an academic year and may be reinstated on return to full-time study subject to the conditions above. On return to study, students will be entitled to the balance of the bursary for the stage. There will be no payment for repeat periods of study in any circumstances.

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 2027-28. The University of Essex reserves the right to update these terms and conditions as necessary.