

Vice-Chancellor's Global Talent Scholarship 2024-25

If you're an international undergraduate or master's student from one of the specified countries seeking to join our University, you could be eligible for a scholarship which is 50% of your first year tuition fee, paid as a discount on registration. There are 30 awards available in total, which will be split equally between undergraduate and postgraduate students. This scholarship is competitive and based on academic achievement and extra-curricular engagement.

Country of residence	
SOUTH AMERICA	CENTRAL AND NORTH AMERICA
Argentina	Canada
Brazil	Costa Rica
Chile	Mexico
Colombia	Panama
Ecuador	USA
Paraguay	EUROPE
Peru	Ukraine
Uruguay	MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA
ASIA	Algeria
China	Egypt
India*	Iran
Indonesia	Jordan
Japan	Lebanon
Malaysia	Libya
Pakistan*	Morocco

Taiwan	Palestine
Thailand	South Sudan
Vietnam	Sudan
AUSTRALASIA	Tunisia
Australia	Turkey
New Zealand	

*only applicants transferring to Essex from a partner university under the terms of the progression link agreement will be considered.

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 one of the countries specified in the table above.
- Students must be starting their first year of study on a full time Undergraduate (UG) or Postgraduate Taught (PGT) Master's programme at the University of Essex in 2024-25.
- Applicants from India and Pakistan will only be considered if they are transferring to Essex from one of our progression link partnerships.
- Applicants must meet our standard conditional offer.
- UCAS applicants must actively make Essex their firm choice by 12 July 2024. Applicants that become firm with Essex through rejection by their original firm choice selection elsewhere are not eligible. Direct Applicants must accept their offer by 12 July 2024.
- The award cannot be held in conjunction with any other University of Essex scholarships. Students who are eligible for this award and are joining Essex through a link agreement, which includes a discounted fee, will receive the award which is greater in value.
- Successful applicants are expected to be available for promotional activities

*Students receiving a repayable loan to fund their studies will be considered as self-funded. This includes, but isn't restricted to tuition fee loans from the following bodies:

- US Federal Direct Loans

Students who are not eligible

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

- Students undertaking courses at East 15 Acting School.
- Students undertaking the MBA.
- University of Essex International College (UEIC) Pathway students.
- Students undertaking a degree that is normally delivered wholly online by Kaplan Open Learning operating as University of Essex Online
- Students who are not ordinarily resident in one of the countries listed above.
- 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 who are assessed as Home fee payer.
- Students who are fully or partly sponsored.
- Current Essex students progressing from Undergraduate to Postgraduate taught at Essex.

What is “Ordinary Residence”?

For the purposes of assessing eligibility for the scholarship, you must have been ordinarily resident in one of the countries listed above, for the three-year period prior to commencing your course. Ordinarily resident means that you must have been habitually, normally and lawfully, residing in one of the countries listed above, from choice, for the specified period. The three-year period for courses starting in October 2024 is calculated as 1 September 2021 to 1 September 2024. 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

To be considered for these awards you must complete and submit the application form available on our website by the 15th May 2024.

Notification

Successful applicants will be informed, in writing, by the end of July 2024.

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 2024-25. The University of Essex reserves the right to update these terms and conditions as necessary.