

## Important information

# Conditions and guidance on the bursaries and scholarships available from the University of Greenwich

This should be read in conjunction with the information on individual bursaries, scholarships & discounts available on the University's Student Finance web page.

Students are permitted one scholarship or bursary per academic year at the highest value:

Exceptions:

- The Greenwich Bursary and Accommodation Bursary
- Current Care Leaver Bursary awardees

The Greenwich Hardship Fund and supporting funds (Digital Access, Energy Support Bill and Commuter Bursary) can still be applied for provided the full eligibility terms are met.

### General – all awards

- 1. Where possible and unless otherwise stated in the individual award criteria below, payment of awards:
  - a. Will not be made where a student fails to input their bank details in the student portal where payment is a cash award made by the University directly; or where a student fails to input their bank details in their online student support account with Student Finance England.
  - b. Fee Waivers will be credited to students' tuition fee prior to commencing registration per academic year. Fee waivers are only applicable to a full year fee (pro rata part time). It will not be applied if a student has interrupted or withdrawn prior to the third term. Unless stated per award fee waivers will be pro rata in the event of interruption or withdrawal as per Regulations on Student Financial Matters Academic Year 2024/25, section 6.
- 2. Students who fail to progress successfully to the next stage of their programme of study:
  - a. Will not receive an award for the repeat period;
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- b. May have their award reinstated upon successful progression, provided the student still meets the set eligibility criteria for the individual award or unless otherwise stated in the individual award criteria listed below.
- 3. To qualify for awards, students must not owe any debt to the University. Furthermore, if the University does not receive the appropriate fees during the academic session when they are due, any award granted before the student incurs debt may be revoked and, if possible, recovered in the next academic session. If debts are paid off by June 30th, any eligible awards will be provided by July 31st upon request.
- 4. Where a bursary or scholarship is made in the form of a tuition fee waiver:
- a. Where the student is in receipt of a tuition fee loan, the fee loan entitlement will be reduced automatically by the University to Student Finance England in the final term each academic session.
- b. Where the student is a self-payer; Undergraduate (UG) fees are due to be paid in the usual format of either in full or in two instalments at registration. The fee waiver will be applied prior to registration, and if applicable the 2.5% prompt payment discount will be recalculated. Students can then apply for a refund for any excess balance:

Postgraduate (PG) fees will be remitted with the appropriate fee waiver prior to online registration. Payment of the remaining balance of fees due after the fee waiver is applied is due in the usual format as per the Regulations on Student Financial Matters Academic Year 2024/25, section 5 a. If applicable, the 2.5% prompt payment discount will only apply to the fee due from the student after the waiver is applied.

- 5. Applications received and/or assessed up to and including the 31st of July will be considered for an award **unless** otherwise stated in the individual award criteria.
- 6. Awards cannot be made for previous academic years. If students do not apply, inquire about their eligibility, or meet the eligibility criteria during the year they were eligible, or if Student Finance England has not fully assessed them, including a 'Final' household income assessment by July 31st, they will not be eligible for backdated awards
- 7. Where documentary evidence is required to support an application, documents must be received at the same time as the application form or within 28 days of submission. Any form submitted without the required



evidence or not received within 28 days will not be considered. In both cases, all documentation must be received by the 31<sup>st of</sup> July.

- 8. Where applicants are directly invited to apply for awards, the application form will be emailed to the eligible students' **University email address**. Students that fail to apply within the given timeline or who submit an incomplete or insufficient application form, will not be considered.
- 9. Bursaries and scholarships are not payable in placement/sandwich years, unless otherwise stated within the individual award description.
- 10. The University's decision on bursary, scholarship, and discount eligibility is conclusive. The University will not correspond further with students after notifying them of their ineligibility for a specific bursary, unless there is a change in circumstances that would alter their eligibility status
- 11. This guidance is reviewed regularly and is subject to change as a result of any changes to specific processes and/or provision of awards from the University or through philanthropic activities.
- 12. A Fee Waiver is a deduction of the full tuition fee prior to the start of registration.
- 13. Cash Bursaries are transferred directly to the student's bank account in the UK. The award notification will specify the number of instalments and the dates they will be paid.

## Specific criteria for individual awards

The criteria for each award are listed in alphabetical order. Please note that some awards are only applicable to students on certain entry cohorts

14. Accommodation Bursary - Accommodation Bursary is for new domestic/home undergraduate students with a low household income as demonstrated by Shared Student Finance England data offering up to £700, equivalent to up to a 10% university halls of residence accommodation fee discount to reduce the rent for your first-year accommodation. The Accommodation Team will contact students the first term to confirm eligibility and discount.



15. Alumni Postgraduate Award (Phased out 2023/24) is available to all students who progress to a non-government / research-funded master's or PGCE teacher training course at the University of Greenwich, having completed an undergraduate degree, specified short courses, or an exchange programme at one of our main campuses or Partner/Network Colleges and the full applicable, published University fee has been paid for the undergraduate programme.

The following students are not eligible for this scholarship:

- MPhil and PhD students
- MArch and PGDip Arch students
- Students at the Medway of School of Pharmacy.
- Students in receipt of the Fast Forward Master's/Greenwich Postgraduate Scholarship or any other specific award (e.g., EU or International Scholarship).
- MA Social Work students in receipt of an NHS bursary (students who are initially self-payers but are subsequently awarded the NHS Social Work bursary after the Alumni award has been applied, will no longer qualify and the discount will be removed).

Should eligible students fail to request the bursary at the point of initial registration, a request should be made to the Funds, Awards and Bursaries Team as soon as possible. Where fees are paid in full, a refund for the appropriate amount can be applied for. The bursary is applicable to one year's full-time; or up to three year's part-time pro-rata fees only.

This bursary is not applicable for any repeat of study and is not applicable in conjunction with any other bursary or scholarship offered or awarded by the University. Students can receive the Prompt payment fee discount where the criteria for this is met.

16. Ann Packer Sports Scholarship – Phasing out 2022/23. Available to new entry, undergraduates who are a high-performing sportsperson who competes at county level or higher. Awardees receive a cash bursary, paid in two equal instalments and Athlete Support Services paid by the Sports Team. Applications are reviewed by Student Fees and Funding, Academic Services and the Sports Team. Decisions are final. Awardees will be notified by 31<sup>st</sup> of July and must sign and adhere to the terms and conditions of the Athlete Agreement each academic year (maximum three years support). The University reserves the right to remove the scholarship if found to be in breach of general terms and conditions or the Athlete Agreement. The award is not available for repeat years of study



17. Artificial Intelligence and Data Science Postgraduate Scholarship - The scholarship is a £10,000 cash bursary or fee waiver to study the MSc in Data Science and its Applications, MSc Business Analytics, MSc Fin Tech Finance courses at the University of Greenwich. The scholarship is to assist applicants from under-represented groups to complete their study and progress into the AI and Data science workforce and is available for full and part-time study of this course. Please note that part-time students will be awarded pro rata.

Priority for the scholarships will be given to the following four groups:

- 1. Black students
- 2. Female students
- 3. Disabled students
- Students from low socioeconomic background <u>(Index of Multiple</u> <u>Disadvantage</u> quintiles 1 and 2, low household income) Consideration will also be given to applicants who meet other underrepresented criteria in the following secondary categories:
- 5. Care experienced students
- 6. Estranged students
- 7. Gypsy, Roma, Traveller students
- 8. Refugees
- 9. Children from military families, veterans, and partners of military personnel

Applicants must also:

- Have a UK nationality or residence status, and meet the nationality or residency status criteria to qualify for the postgraduate masters' loan
- Hold an offer to study for the academic year 2024/25 on one of the following programmes: MSc in Data Science and its Applications at our Greenwich or Medway campuses, MSc Business Analytics or MSc Fin Tech & Finance
- Have studied a non-STEM (e.g politics, economics, business, arts) or far-STEM (e.g. biology, geography, psychology, medicine) subject at undergraduate degree level
- Not already have studied a postgraduate degree in the same broad subject area (e.g. computer science, AI, data science), or in a core-STEM subject (e.g. physics, engineering, mathematics, statistics, IT)

The application for the scholarship is made as part of the program application to the Recruitment and Admissions team.

• Scholarships will be allocated on a first come first serve basis to the four priority groups.



- Consideration will also be given to applicants who meet the other underrepresented criteria in the secondary categories from: Friday 28 June 2024.
- Should a student interrupt their studies or withdraw, the entirety of their scholarship will be rescinded. In accordance with Section 6 of the Regulations on Student Financial Matters, the student will then be responsible for the full amount of the tuition fees
- 18. Aziz Foundation Scholarship The Aziz Foundation Scholarship will cover 100% of postgraduate tuition fees to support British Muslims aiming to study at University of Greenwich. Eligibly terms and application procedure are determined by the <u>Aziz Foundation</u> each academic year
- 19. Care Leavers Bursary is available to students entering any year of study, who are undergraduate or taught postgraduate 'home' students. The bursary team aims to process assessments and issue payment within four weeks of a successful application. Subsequent payments are scheduled for November each year, contingent on successful academic progression and full reregistration. Students who fail to progress to the next academic stage will not receive the award for the repeat period. Students taking an unpaid industrial placement year will be required to submit a letter from the placement employer confirming unpaid status. Payment of the final award for graduation ceremony cost will be made upon confirmation of successful completion of the entire programme. Payment will not be made for students who are awarded a fallback certificate. Students must be fully financially assessed by Student Finance England and receive the highest available funding.
- 20. David Fussey Choral Exhibition Bursary deadline to apply each academic session is 30 September. Applications received after this date will not be considered until the following academic session. This is due to the tight deadline for auditions, which are held in October each year.
- 21. GREat Skills Scholarship Available to new entry (year 0 or 1) full time, local students who prepare well for university by developing their independent learning and study skills before they start with the University of Greenwich. Applicants must participate in a minimum of 5 of our outreach activities during their A Level/Level 3 studies and will be joining us for their undergraduate studies in September 2024, they may be eligible for a substantial cash scholarship of £2,000.



- Students will need to be studying at one of our targeted schools and colleges
- Students need to be studying level 3 qualifications (A level, BTEC Level 3, T Levels, Access, IB or any other Level 3 qualifications) which hold UCAS points and will be receiving their final results in the Summer 2025.
- Students need to have received an offer to study a full-time undergraduate course (including extended programmes) at our Greenwich, Avery Hill or Medway Campus (excluding the Medway School of Pharmacy), which commences in September 2025.
- Students will be a new full-time undergraduate, paying the maximum tuition fee of £9,535
- Students need to have participated in a minimum of 4 of our outreach activities, of which 3 must be physical/in-person and 3 must be from GREat Skills/Big Ideas as main attendance. Other interactions can include:
- Deadline for submissions is 24th May 2024 (2 weeks before decision deadline)

Priority will be given to submissions from those within underrepresented backgrounds, e.g. POLAR 4 Q1 and IMD Q1 (areas with the lowest proportion of young people who participate in higher education). We reserve the right to change this criterion subject to guidance from the OfS. A committee will review all applications and award scholarships on merit. We aim to make our decision by 2nd June 2025.

# 22. Greenwich bursary is credited to an Aspire@Greenwich card and will be treated as follows

- a. The bursary is paid for one year only to new students entering year 0 or 1
- £350 will be credited to an Aspire Card by December 2024 and a further £350 to students that continue to meet the criteria, in the first week of March 2025. For the January intake payments are March 2024 and June 2025
- c. Where there are unspent funds at the end of the first year of study, these will be rolled over for years 2 & 3 of study where full re-registration for subsequent years is made.
- d. In the event of **Interruption**, any unspent credit will be suspended until a time when the students' registration is reactivated, provided they



continue to meet the eligibility criteria. If the scheme is no longer in existence upon the students return, the unspent credit will no longer be available.

- e. In the event of **Withdrawal** either by the student or the University, the card scheme account we be closed. All unspent credit will no longer be available.
- f. Where a student **completes a programme**, any unspent credit will be available until the date of leaving the programme, after which time, it will be removed and will no longer be available. Credit is non-transferable to further study.
- g. In the event of an **erroneous payment** being made, the card will be stopped. Students will be notified, and any remaining credit will be removed and will no longer be available to you.
- h. In the event of **misuse** where any student is found to have attempted any sort of fraudulent activity with regards to the Aspire@Greenwich Scheme or the use of the card account, the University reserves the right to withdraw unspent credit and close card accounts.
- 23. **Greenwich Postgraduate Scholarship** Phasing out 2023/24 was available to final year undergraduates who progress to certain eligible postgraduate programmes (as specified by the faculties) in consecutive academic years. To apply applicants must hold a conditional offer, must meet specific grade predictions, are considered a UK national an EU national resident in the UK paying Home fees and can demonstrate a household income of less than £43,000 in their final year of their undergraduate programme via the Bursary Administration Service or further information as requested from the University. All eligible submission will be assessed by a scholarship panel and priority will be given to applicants who met the University Widening Participation Criteria. The panel decision is final and cannot be contested. Awardees who change to a different programme as specified in the conditional / unconditional offer risk having the scholarship and award removed.
- 24. Greenwich progression Bursary £3,000 fee waiver bursaries and the opportunity for a paid professional internship at the end of a student's studies
- Student must be a current (2023/24) final year Undergraduate student (predicted to achieve a 2:2-degree classification or higher) applying for a Postgraduate Taught (PGT) course. Or are a graduate of the University of Greenwich with a 2:2 Undergraduate degree classification or higher, applying



for a Postgraduate Taught (PGT) course. Students must be holding an offer on an available Postgraduate course for September 2024 entry.

- Student must be assessed to pay fees at the home rate and will be studying at Greenwich, Avery Hill or Medway Campus (except Medway School of Pharmacy) or one of our Partner Colleges, where your tuition fee is paid directly to the university of Greenwich.
- The bursary is only available to students starting a Postgraduate course with available places in September 2024. It will be applied to part-time students on a pro-rata basis. The course should be completed with no gaps in study to retain the full bursary amount.
- This bursary is assessed and awarded automatically by the Student Fees and Funding Team and Recruitment and Admissions Team, and you will receive notification of the awarding of the bursary on or before 31st August per academic year.
- Should a student interrupt their studies or withdraw, the entirety of their scholarship will be rescinded. In accordance with Section 6 of the Regulations on Student Financial Matters, the student will then be responsible for the full amount of the tuition fees.
- 25. John McWilliam Bursary is available to new students entering year 1 of an undergraduate programme, assessed as Home<sup>1</sup> and who are in receipt of full student support. Students can only be awarded once. Applications must be received by the stipulated deadline. Payments to successful applicants will be made in April each year. Students who fail to meet the annual GPA will lose entitlement to the award and render the award terminated. No funding is available for the 2024/25 academic year but may be available in 2025/26.
- 26. Mister Gees Foundation Bursary a £5,000 cash bursary is available to students enrolled on MSc Water, Waste and Environmental Engineering. Applicants must be a full-time postgraduate UK student, received first-class honours or a 2:1 are entering into MSc Water, Waste and Environmental Engineering at our Medway Campus. Applications are submitted to fab@gre.ac.uk by the end of June per academic year. A committee will review all applications and award scholarships on merit. We aim to make our decision by the end of August per academic year (needs to be confirmed with student finance). The award is paid in three equal termly cash bursary instalments directly to the student
- 27. Nursing Memorial Appeal Bursary Buddy The Nursing Memorial Appeal, who are sponsoring a bursary worth £500 to students enrolled on any of the pre-registration nursing course, including: Adult Nursing, BSc Hons,



Children's Nursing, BSc Hons, Learning Disabilities Nursing, BSc Hons, Mental Health Nursing, BSc Hons.

Priority for the scholarships will be given to the following four groups: BAME students, Mature students, Registered disabled students, Students from low socioeconomic background (Index of Multiple Disadvantage quintiles 1 and 2, low household income).

The online application form must be completed by midnight on  $20^{th}$  September 2024. There are 10 x £500 bursaries available. A committee will review all applications and award scholarships based on the strength of the application answers.

- 28. **Robert Holman Bursary** is available to all students studying on specified programmes within the Business School. Students will be written to with details of the application process and further information each year.
- 29. **Royal Navy & Royal Marines Bursary** is provided by the Crowned Charity, Greenwich Hospital which makes the final decision as to whether to offer an award based upon the information provided by the student on the application as well as additional information provided by the University such as academic progress and household income. The awards are payable in subsequent years at the discretion of the charity and pending successful progression. Applications made after the deadline will not be considered.
- 30. **RPS Karen Roberts Scholarship** available to student enrolled on BA Landscape Architecture and could offer you £5,000 during first year of studies. Applicants must be a a full-time undergraduate UK student, You are entering Year 1 of BA Landscape Architecture at our Greenwich Campus and You have visited the university or engaged in preparatory progression activities offered by the University of Greenwich. Special consideration will be given to those who have attended the Landscape Architecture Summer School. Applications must be submitted via the online application form to <u>outreach@gre.ac.uk</u>. Payment is received in three termly cash bursary instalments.
- 31. RSK Scholarship Five £5000 cash bursaries available to all students studying on specified undergraduate programmes within the Faculty of Engineering and Science, and the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Students will be written to with details of the application process.



- 32. **Sanctuary Scholarship** is dependent on receiving a full unconditional offer and meeting any admissions requirements. The award of the scholarship is also dependent on meeting any applicable visa requirements. Applications will be assessed by an awarding panel of professional staff and all decisions are final. If during your course, you are awarded immigration status that then allows you access to student support from Student finance England you will not receive the scholarship in any subsequent academic years.
- 33. Sir William Boreman's Scholarship available for permanent residents of Greenwich and Lewisham (resident for a minimum of five years) to study undergraduate or postgraduate courses on a full-time or part-time basis. Applicants must be under 25 years old, demonstrate a household income of below £30,000 and are a UK national or have 'Settled' status under the Immigration Act 1971 (for example, there are no restrictions on how long you can stay in the UK). The award can be used for daily living costs, travel, and books / equipment for your course. Applications are submitted via the foundations website directly.
- 34. Stephen Lawrence Scholarship (Architecture) The scholarship is a £18,500 cash bursary or fee waiver to study the Architecture Part 2 MArch course at the University of Greenwich commencing 2024/5. The duration of the course is two years (full-time), and the scholarship is awarded in three cash bursary instalments or fee waiver prior to registration per year to assist applicants to pursue a career in architecture (per academic year).

The scholarship is available for full and part-time study of this course. Please note that part-time students will be awarded pro rata.

35. **Visionary Scholarship** - is available for deserving students who have engaged with the University during school/college and have been nominated by a teacher or adviser from their institution. Two nominations per institution only, the student embodies our University values and has overcome adversity, The student has applied through UCAS using the school or college centre name, They have received an offer from us to study a full-time undergraduate course (including extended programmes) at our Greenwich, Avery Hill or Medway Campus (excluding the Medway School of Pharmacy) paying the maximum £9,250 commencing in September 2024 and They have visited the University or engaged in preparatory progression activities offered by the University of Greenwich in school/college. The scholarship is paid in three equal termly cash instalments directly to the student.



36. William Hills Scholarship is awarded only to those selected by the Faculty who meet the main criteria. There is no appeal process. Recipients that fail to achieve a GPA of 60% or over at the end of each academic session will lose their entitlement to the scholarship for that year but will be reassessed at the end of subsequent years for reinstatement. Awards will be paid following reregistration for the next academic session, usually in November. Awards cannot be paid towards tuition fees which are due to be paid in the usual way, in full or in instalments.

Regardless of being selected by the faculty, any student that fails to reregister will not be awarded. Recipients who fail to attend promotional activities as required will also lose entitlement to the scholarship for all subsequent years of study. Students studying a BEng who are transferred by the faculty to the MEng, will be selected by the faculty only and cannot apply or opt to transfer.