Regional Scholarship 2020-21 (Africa) (undergraduate)

If you’re an international student from Africa and are self-funding your undergraduate studies, you could be eligible for a scholarship of £3,500, 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 classified as international students for fees purposes and are nationals of an African nation* (defined as a member state of the African Union).
- Applicants must be entirely self-funded.
- Applicants must be starting their first year of study on a degree course at the University of Essex in 2020-21
- Applicants must actively make Essex their firm choice by 19 July 2020**. Applicants that become firm with Essex through rejection by their original firm choice selection elsewhere are not eligible.
- 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.
- Students with dual nationality will only be eligible for the award if they are paying overseas fees.

* excluding Mauritius, for which we have a separate award.
** University of Essex International College students are exempt from this deadline.

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.
- Students who are fully or partly sponsored
- These scholarship awards do 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has been awarded to a student who subsequently defers entry to the following academic year, the award will be withdrawn and the applicant will be considered again in line with the terms and conditions that apply in the new proposed year of entry.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 transferring into the second year from another UK higher education institution.
- Students with dual nationality who are not assessed as paying overseas fees
- Students directly continuing from one course to another (for example from Foundation degree or HND on to the final year of an honours degree).
- Successful applicants should be available for promotional activities.

How to apply
If you meet all the eligibility criteria then 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 your nationality and fee status that you submit on your application for your place at Essex. No alternative supporting evidence will be accepted.

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 his/her nominee will review the case and his/her decision will be final.

These terms and conditions apply to the academic year 2020-21. The University of Essex reserves the right to update these terms and conditions as necessary.