

International Baccalaureate Excellence Scholarship 2019-20

The University is awarding scholarships of £2,000 to students entering the University for the first time in 2019 who achieve academic excellence in their International Baccalaureate. The scholarship is available for the first year of undergraduate degree¹ study only.

Terms and conditions

The terms and conditions for the International Baccalaureate Excellence Scholarship offered in the academic year 2019-20 are as follows:

1. Eligibility

You must meet all of the following conditions:

- have received an offer of admission for entry to the University of Essex for 2019-20;
- have registered for a full-time undergraduate degree¹ at the University of Essex with first enrolment at the University of Essex in 2019-20;
- be in your first year of study at the University at the start of the award;
- have obtained 34 points or above in the International Baccalaureate.

The following students are NOT eligible for the International Baccalaureate Excellence Scholarship regardless of meeting the above criteria:

- students undertaking courses at East 15 Acting School
- students on Higher/Degree Apprenticeship courses;
- 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 transferring into the second year from another UK higher education institution.

2. How do I apply?

If you achieve the necessary grades and meet all other eligibility criteria you will be notified that you will receive a scholarship from August onwards. You do not need to complete an application form.

3. How will I be paid?

The bursary is worth £2,000 for the first year of study only. Payment will be made in two instalments, normally in February and May by bank transfer. Students must be registered for full-time study in order to receive payment (see scholarship suspension below). Please note that if our records show that you are in debt to the University when an award payment is due to be made, the payment will be offset against your student account in the first instance and you will be entitled to receive any balance.

¹ Courses leading to the award of a Diploma of Higher Education, Foundation Degree, Bachelors Degree, Integrated Masters (four years)

4. Am I eligible for other University financial support?

The International Baccalaureate Excellence Scholarship may be held in conjunction with other University awards.

5. Scholarship suspension

The scholarship 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 your return to full-time study subject to the conditions above. On your return to study you will be entitled to the balance of the scholarship for the stage. There will be no payment for repeat periods of study in any circumstances.

6. Scholarship termination

If you withdraw from your studies, or are required to withdraw, no further payments will be made. Your scholarship will be terminated if you cease to be registered as a student with the University, or for good cause at the discretion of the Dean of the student's Faculty, or his/her nominee for this purpose.

8. Dispute resolution

Acceptance of the scholarship constitutes acceptance of these terms and conditions. Registered students should contact the Student 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 a scholarship or bursary, 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.

Note: These terms and conditions apply to International Baccalaureate Excellence Scholarships awarded to students first enrolling with the University in the academic year 2019-20. The University of Essex reserves the right to update these terms and conditions as necessary.