

University Bursaries and Scholarships 2011

Terms and Conditions

1. **Bursaries**

1.1 **Eligibility**

The **UEA bursary** scheme described below is available to any student applying during the 2010/11 admissions cycle (including Clearing), who:

- is in receipt of any level of Government Maintenance Grant
- registers on a full time undergraduate degree, Science Foundation Year, Medical Foundation Year, or PGCE programme at UEA in September 2011

It is also available to any deferred entry student who fulfils the same conditions.

Bursaries are intended for books, equipment, travel and other costs associated with academic study.

Students on NHS funded courses (i.e. where no fee is payable from the student) offered by the University are not eligible for a UEA bursary. NHS funded courses are those offered by the School of Nursing and Midwifery and School of Allied Health Professions.

1.2 **Level and Payment of Awards**

Where a student is entitled to a bursary, the amount payable shall be:

| Maintenance Grant | UEA Bursary p/a (£) |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Full Grant | 600 |
| Partial Grant | 300 |

In determining the amount of bursary to which a student is entitled, UEA will apply the following principles:

- The amount payable will be entirely dependent upon the level of government maintenance grant a student is eligible for. The University will not accept any appeal concerning the level of bursary awarded unless an appeal against the government assessment is successful
- Students will receive a bursary from the University during every year of study for which they are entitled to a government maintenance grant;
- Where a student is granted permission by the University to intercalate, the bursary shall not be payable during the period of intercalation;
- Where a student changes the mode of his or her study from full-time to part-time, any bursary to which the student was entitled shall immediately cease

Payment of bursaries will be made in one instalment each year, towards the end of the Autumn semester.

2. **Scholarships**

2.1 **Scholarship Schemes**

The following Scholarship Schemes are available for full-time undergraduate students applying during the 2010/11 UCAS cycle, and registering in September 2011:

- Access Scholarships
- Pathway Scholarships
- Open Scholarships
- Vice-Chancellor Scholarships
- EU Scholarships

A student awarded a Pathway Scholarship may also be awarded an Open Scholarship **or** Vice Chancellor Prize Scholarship. With this exception, no student can be awarded more than one Scholarship.

2.2 **Eligibility**

An Access Scholarship will be awarded to any student who:

- is a UK citizen;
- has been ordinarily resident in the UK for at least the last three years
- registers on a full-time undergraduate degree programme at the University in September 2011;
- achieves a Distinction in each of the level 3 units (worth at least 45 credits) of their course. This attainment must be the most recent academic qualification taken by the student
- is enrolled as a student at the University at the time of payment

A Pathway Scholarship will be awarded to any student who:

- is a UK citizen
- has been ordinarily resident in the UK for at least the last three years;
- registers on a full time undergraduate degree programme at the University in September 2011
- is entitled to a government maintenance grant (each year, in order to receive the scholarship each year)
- achieves 320 UCAS tariff points from three A-levels (excluding General Studies) or an equivalent described in Section 3 of this document. This attainment must be the most recent academic qualification taken by the student.
- is enrolled at the University at the time of payment

An Open Scholarship will be awarded to any student who:

- is a UK citizen
- has been ordinarily resident in the UK for at least the last three years;
- registers on a full time undergraduate degree programme at the University in September 2011
- achieves grades of AAA or better from three A-levels (excluding General Studies) or an equivalent described in Section 3 of this document. This attainment must be the most recent academic qualification taken by the student
- is enrolled at the University at the time of payment

Vice-Chancellor Scholarships

Vice-Chancellor Scholarships will be awarded in 2011 to students of outstanding ability and potential. A student will only be eligible to be considered for a Vice-Chancellor Prize Scholarship if

s/he meets the conditions required to obtain an Open Scholarship. From the list of eligible candidates, a University panel will select a number of students to whom Vice-Chancellor Prize Scholarships will be offered.

A range of factors in addition to A-level performance may be taken into consideration in determining to which students such scholarships will be offered. The decision of such University Panel shall be final and there shall be no appeal against the decision of such Panel. The University will not enter into any correspondence in respect of decision made by this Panel.

An **EU Scholarship** will be awarded to any student who:

- is a citizen of an EU member state (apart from the United Kingdom);
- has been ordinarily resident in an EU state (apart from the United Kingdom) for at least the last three years;
- meets the conditions of an offer made during the normal applications 2010/11 period
- registers on a full-time undergraduate degree programme at the University in September 2011; and
- demonstrates exceptional academic potential. Such potential will be judged by the University panel whose decision is final.

2.3 Level and Payment of Awards

The level of awards will be as outlined below:

| Scholarship | Eligibility | Grades | Selection Process | Value per year |
|------------------------------|--|--|-------------------|----------------|
| Access Scholarships | All students who meet the criteria set out above | Distinction in each level 3 unit | Automatic | £500 |
| Pathway Scholarships | UK citizens in receipt of government maintenance grant | 320 UCAS tariff points from 3 A-levels | Automatic | £500 |
| Open Scholarships | Open To All UK Citizens who meet the conditions set out above | AAA | Automatic | £500 |
| Vice-Chancellor Scholarships | Open To All UK Citizens who meet the conditions set out above | AAA | By UEA Panel | £4000 |
| EU Scholarships | Open To All Non-UK EU Citizens who meet the conditions set out above | n/a | By UEA Panel | £500 |

2.4 Payment of scholarships will be made in two instalments each year (one during each Semester)

2.5 Students will receive their scholarship from the University during every year of study on the condition that they

- maintain a grade average of at least 60% at the end of each academic year. Students not assessed in this way will have to pass all modules in any given year, without any re-sits.
- are still enrolled for full-time study (payments will not be made to students intercalating or who change mode of study)

- scholarships are awarded for the course on which the student enrolls. If a scholar changes course then the scholarship will lapse unless permission is granted from the Director of Admissions or designated officer. Such permission will normally be given provided the course change is associated with academic excellence

3. **Miscellaneous**

3.1 Changes to the UEA bursary and scholarship schemes for 2012 entry onwards will not affect the amount awarded to those registering at the University for the first time in September 2011

3.2 All successful award holders may be asked to participate in University publicity. Students who receive the Vice-Chancellor Scholarships and EU Scholarships will be invited to attend a brief Ceremony where they will receive a certificate acknowledging the achievement.

3.3 For the purposes of the Scholarship scheme, the University recognises the following grade equivalences:

Open Scholarship:

AAA (not including General Studies) at A-level:

34 points from IB

AAAAA from five Scottish Highers (or AAA from 3 Scottish Advanced Highers; grades achieved in Advanced Highers supersede grades achieved taken in the same subjects at Higher)

DDD from BTEC National Diploma

Advanced Diploma: A (300 points) in the Progression Diploma and A (120 points) at A-level

Pre-U: D3 D3 D3 (in 3 principal subjects)

Pathway Scholarship:

320 UCAS tariff points (not including General Studies) from 3 A-levels

32 points from IB

AABBB from five Scottish Highers (or ABB from 3 Scottish Advanced Highers; grades achieved in Advanced Highers supersede grades achieved taken in the same subjects at Higher)

DDM from BTEC National Diploma

Advanced Diploma: B (250 points) in the Progression Diploma and A (120 points) at A-level

Pre-U: D3 M2 M2 (in 3 principal subjects)

No other qualifications will be taken into consideration for Pathway Scholarships, Open Scholarships and Vice Chancellor Scholarships.

Applicants should note that, for the purposes of bursaries and scholarships, it is the equivalences in Section 3.3 that will be used and not those articulated in the prospectuses of this or any other university.

Qualifications must be the most recent and held at point of entry to the University. This applies to all scholarships available.

3.4 If eligibility for the government maintenance grant changes during the course, so could eligibility for a UEA Bursary and Pathway Scholarship.

3.5 The most recent qualification must be a level 3 (i.e. A-level or equivalent) qualification. In exceptional circumstances unusual academic qualifications may be considered for scholarship eligibility at the University's discretion. The University's decision is final

3.6 Our scholarship awards are targeted at students considering HE for the first time. For this reason, students who have previously completed a degree programme at UEA, or other HEI, will not be considered for a scholarship award.

3.7 General Studies is not considered for the Scholarship awards, even if it was accepted as part of the conditions of an offer.

3.8 **Medical Foundation Year, Science Foundation Year and Computing Science Foundation Year Scholarships (for students already enrolled at UEA)**

The Medical Foundation Year, Science Foundation Year and Computing Science Foundation Year Scholarships are for students who are already registered at UEA on either of these programmes, who complete the Foundation year to a high standard, and who then progress to a full degree at UEA. The terms above (2.4-3.6) apply.

These Scholarships will be awarded to any student who:

- achieves an overall mark of 80% or higher in the UEA Medical Foundation Year, UEA Science Foundation Year or Computing Science Foundation Year course in 2010/11.
- is a UK citizen;
- has been ordinarily resident in the UK for at least the last three years
- registers on a full-time undergraduate degree programme at the University in September 2011;
- enrolls on a full-time undergraduate course at the University
- is enrolled as a student at the University at the time of payment

3.9 Care leaver's bursary

The Care Leaver's bursary aims to support care leavers who are entering Higher Education for the first time. The Children (Leaving Care) Act 2000 states that a Care leaver is someone who has been in care of the Local Authority for a period of 13 weeks or more spanning their 16th birthday.

The bursary will be awarded to any student who:

- is a UK citizen;
- has been ordinarily resident in the UK for at least the last three years
- registers on a full-time undergraduate degree programme at the University in September 2011;
- is enrolled as a student at the University at the time of payment
- is 25 years of age, or younger, at enrolment
- provides a letter from a social worker or Local Authority as evidence of their status as a care leaver

The bursary will consist of one £500 payment for each academic year for the duration of the student's undergraduate degree course at the University.

For more details and submissions, please contact student.finance@uea.ac.uk Your details will kept in the strictest confidentiality.