



University
of Exeter

Important Information – Terms and Conditions

Exeter Excellence Scholarships 2025/26 - Postgraduate Taught (Masters)

Our Exeter Excellence Scholarships recognise outstanding academic achievement, offering funding to help cover the costs of studying at the University of Exeter. We are committed to attracting talented students from around the world to become part of our dynamic university community where, as a scholar, you will have access to exceptional teaching, learning, and academic research whilst contributing to our vibrant global community.

1. Award Amount/s

£3,000, £5,000 or £10,000 first year International Postgraduate taught tuition fees discount.

This award is for one year only and is not recurrent for subsequent years of study.

2. Applicant eligibility

Applicants who:

- have International fee status (including any EU applicants required to pay International fees in 2025/26); and
- already hold an offer (conditional or unconditional) to study an eligible Postgraduate taught (Masters) programme at the University of Exeter beginning in the 2025/26 academic year.

3. Programme eligibility

Scholarships are available for campus-based Postgraduate taught degrees in the following departments:

Faculty	Departments/subject areas
Environment, Science and Economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Computer Science• Earth and Environmental Science• Ecology and Conservation• Economics• Engineering• Finance and Accounting• Geography• Management• Mathematics and Statistics• Physics and Astronomy

Health and Life Sciences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biosciences • Clinical and Biomedical Sciences • Health and Care Professions • Health and Community Sciences • Psychology • Public Health and Sports Sciences
Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arab and Islamic Studies • Archaeology and History • Classics, Ancient History, Religion and Theology • Communications, Drama and Film • English and Creative Writing • Languages, Cultures and Visual Studies • Law School • School of Education • Social and Political Sciences, Philosophy and Anthropology

Ineligible PGT programmes are: The Exeter MBA; MRes Management (Pathway to PhD); MRes Economics (Pathway to PhD); MSc Human Resources Management 24 or 30 months; MA International Film Business; MSc Island Biodiversity and Conservation; Clinical Psychology programmes delivered by Clinical Education, Development and Research (CEDAR); DEdPsych Educational Child and Community Psychology; Master of Public Administration (MPA) with Applied Study; Law programmes delivered by the University of Law (Legal Practice Course (LPC), Postgraduate Diploma in Law (GDL), MA Law (SQE1), MA Law (Conversion), LLM Legal Practice (SQE 1&2), SQE Preparation Courses); Postgraduate Certificates; Postgraduate Diplomas; Degree Apprenticeships. Fully online or distance learning programmes are also not eligible.

4. Selection criteria

Scholarship recipients are selected on:

- Academic merit, based on the information applicants have supplied in their Masters programme application. Scholarship applicants will typically be expected to demonstrate that they have achieved or are able to achieve the equivalent of a UK upper second class degree.
- The ability to demonstrate the following as part of the application process:
 - academic and career ambitions;
 - a clear plan for making the most of the study opportunity; and
 - a sense of social responsibility and willingness to engage with the Exeter community.

5. Scholarship application process

To apply, you must complete and submit an online application form, via the Funding database entry, including a personal statement of up to 300 words that responds to the following questions:

- What are your ambitions for the future and how will your studies at Exeter help you to achieve them?
- What will you contribute to the study experience/environment on campus at Exeter?
- As a scholar, how might you act as an ambassador for the University?

You may only make one application for an Exeter Excellence Scholarship per eligible programme for which you are holding an offer. There will be three rounds of applications during the year. You should apply at the earliest opportunity following receipt of your programme offer. Duplicate applications will be disregarded.

Application rounds:

Round One - for September 2025 entry

Opens: 13 November 2024

Closes: 27 February 2025

Decisions communicated by: 31 March 2025

Round Two - for September 2025 entry

Opens: 17 March 2025

Closes: 29 May 2025

Decisions communicated by: 27 June 2025

Round 3 – for any Postgraduate taught programmes open for January 2026 entry

Opens: 1 September 2025

Closes: 30 October 2025

Decisions communicated by: 17 November 2025

Applications will be checked initially to ensure that the eligibility criteria have been met. Then, eligible applications will be considered by a University of Exeter Panel. Candidates will be considered for the highest applicable award value and, if unsuccessful, considered for the lower award values.

Applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application by email by the relevant date shown above – the value of awards offered is non-negotiable. If you are offered an award, the notification will explain how to accept it. If you apply in Round 1 and narrowly miss out, your notification may let you know instead that we will reconsider your application in Round 2. It will not be possible to revise your personal statement in these circumstances.

By applying for this scholarship, you are agreeing to your personal details being shared with the University of Exeter Panel.

6. Exclusions and Exceptions

These scholarships are intended for self-funded students.

If your tuition fees will be financed by an external body (such as an overseas government or Chevening, Commonwealth or a partner Institution) with whom the University has a shared financing agreement then this award may be invalidated or superseded with a different fee arrangement.

If you expect to receive funding from a charity this may also make you ineligible to receive this scholarship.

It is your responsibility to inform us if you are in receipt of any external funding prior to enrolment; please email a copy of the award letter to admissions: pg-ad@exeter.ac.uk

You cannot normally receive more than one scholarship (tuition fee discount) from the University of Exeter; if you are eligible for multiple scholarships, then you will be awarded whichever scholarship has the higher value. However, the following exceptions apply for one year of study (2025/26 academic year):

- Applicants made an Exeter Excellence award who are joining through an institutional progression agreement where a partial tuition fee discount is applied can receive both discounts, subject to a maximum award value of £10,000.

- Applicants eligible for a University of Exeter Postgraduate Taught Scholarships 2025/26 country specific award can receive this together with an Exeter Excellence award, subject to a maximum award value of £10,000. The relevant countries are: Bangladesh, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kenya, Malaysia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Thailand and Vietnam.

7. Award payment

If you defer your 2025/26 offer or change fee status, then your scholarship offer will be invalidated.

If you transfer to an ineligible programme, then your scholarship offer will be invalidated.

The Exeter Excellence Scholarship will be awarded as a reduction in tuition fees; it cannot be paid as cash or attributed to other charges such as accommodation fees. It will be automatically deducted from your first year tuition fees following enrolment. If you choose to pay your tuition fees in instalments, the award will be deducted from the total annual tuition fee and the remaining balance split accordingly.

Tuition fees deduction/s due are applied to your student account and show in your online statement within the first four weeks of study. Any awardees studying part time (under the relevant visa regulations) will receive the full Scholarship deduction in their first year.

In the event that you withdraw or interrupt your studies post enrolment then the University Finance regulations at that date will apply as regards any repayment or other requirements:

<http://www.exeter.ac.uk/students/finance/studentfinanceregulations/>

8. Other

Please note that if you are successful and accept this award, you may be asked to provide a photograph and written or video profile to appear in publicity material relating to scholarships and/or study at the University of Exeter.

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