

## The UEA Sanctuary Scholarship

The UEA Sanctuary Scholarship is awarded to asylum seekers or applicants who have been granted Discretionary Leave/Humanitarian Protection and do not qualify for support from Student Finance England.

### Eligibility

1. To be eligible for this Scholarship, applicants must:
  - a. Have applied for an undergraduate place at UEA and met the offer conditions;
  - b. Be an asylum seeker in the UK or a person granted Discretionary Leave / Humanitarian Protection in the UK and unable to qualify for support from Student Finance England;
  - c. Not apply for a course at the UEA with a qualification aim that is equal to or lower than a qualification they already possess;
  - d. Not apply for a course at the UEA within the Norwich Medical School.
  - e. OR; Current UEA students seeking asylum will be considered for the scholarship if no applications for their level of study have been received in the annual admissions cycle.
2. Preference may be given to applicants:
  - a. Academic potential
  - b. Academic history
  - c. Regional residence

### Value of award

3. The Scholarship awards the student honorary Home fee status, and pays for:
  - a. Undergraduate level: the Home/EU rate (£9,250\* per annum) and an annual bursary (£3000) for up to four years of study.
  - b. Postgraduate taught level: the Home/EU rate (£7,550\* per annum) and an annual bursary (£3000) for one year of study.
  - c. Postgraduate research level: the Home/EU rate (£4,260\* per annum) for three years of study and an annual bursary (£3000) for three years of study plus an additional bursary for the year of thesis write-up (post registration), and an annual bench fee (to be agreed with Sanctuary budget holder).
  - d. Travel Expenses: the scholarship may also cover commuter expenses upon request, for example an annual bus pass or seasonal rail fare.

### Selection process

4. In the event more applicants than scholarships available the UEA Sanctuary Scholarship will be awarded by a Selection Panel whose decision is final.
5. The recipient will be chosen on the basis of:
  - a. Academic potential
  - b. Academic history
  - c. Regional residence in Norfolk/East of England

### Scholarship terms

6. The Fee Scholarship is awarded once the recipient has completed the University's registration process. The Bursary component will be payable in monthly instalments throughout the academic year.
7. If two or more candidates are deemed to be of equal merit, the Scholarship will not be divided.
8. If no candidate is judged to be of sufficient merit, the Scholarship will not be awarded.

9. No person will be awarded the Scholarship more than once.
10. In the event that a recipient's asylum application is refused by the UK Government, the recipient will be allowed to study pending an appeal on their asylum claim. The University reserves the right to suspend studies following notification from the Home Office.
11. In the event that a recipient's asylum claim is upheld and refugee status (Leave to Remain) is granted by the UK Government, the applicant will be removed from the scholarship effective from the next academic year, where the applicant will then be able to apply for support from Student Finance England.
12. In the event of an intercalation or withdrawal the fee scholarship and expenses bursary will be reduced pro-rata as per the University's advertised cut-off dates.
13. The Scholarship is subject to these terms and conditions which must be formally agreed to by the recipient before the award is made.

\*Increases for subsequent years of study will be covered by the scholarship.

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