

# University of Lincoln's Bursaries and Scholarships Terms and Conditions

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## Introduction

The University of Lincoln Bursary and Scholarship Schemes have been established to provide additional financial support, above that provided from Government, to encourage participation in Higher Education by students from underrepresented groups and to promote postgraduate study. For eligible students, payments from the schemes are non-repayable and, depending on the particular scheme, take the form of either a direct payment to the student or credit against student tuition fee accounts.

# **Objectives:**

- To support the University of Lincoln Access and Participation Plan 2025/26-2028/29, approved by the Office for Students (OfS). (University of Lincoln Scholarship).
- To encourage progression of University of Lincoln students from Undergraduate to Postgraduate study.
  (University of Lincoln Alumni Scholarships)
- To encourage care experienced students to enrol and study at the University. (University of Lincoln Blackburn Bursary)

# General Terms and Conditions applying to all Bursaries and Scholarships

## 1.0 Eligibility

- 1.1 Bursaries and Scholarships will only be paid to students whose enrolment for the relevant academic year has been formally recorded on the University Student Information System.
- 1.2 Students repeating a year or part of a year will not be eligible for any Bursary or Scholarship payment during that academic year.
- 1.3 The University reserves the right to seek repayment of any Bursary or Scholarship payment made in error and/or in excess of the eligible amount. This includes where students have withdrawn from a programme and therefore became ineligible for any Bursary or Scholarship from their last date of attendance.
- 1.4 Bursaries and Scholarships (or, where applicable, part there-of) will only be paid to students who are enrolled on the University's Student Information System at each applicable eligibility checkpoint in the academic year.
- 1.5 The University of Lincoln Bursaries & Scholarships are not valid in conjunction with each other, with the exception of Blackburn Bursary.
- 1.6 Eligibility of EU students for all of the scholarships listed below will only be considered where the student first enrolled onto their programme of study prior to 1 August 2021. EU students who enrol after this date may be eligible for an international scholarship.

# 2.0 Debt

- 2.1 Bursaries and Scholarships will only be applicable to students who have paid for their tuition fees for the relevant academic year in full (including through a Student Loan from Student Finance England) or have made satisfactory payment arrangements with the University's Finance Department.
- 2.2 Bursaries and Scholarships will not be applicable where a student has breached the terms of their tuition fee payment agreement or where a student has an outstanding academic fee debt to the University.

## 3.0 Bank Accounts

- 3.1 Where Bursary or Scholarship eligibility involves payment to the student, monies will be paid directly into a nominated bank account, as advised by the student.
- 3.2 Students are responsible for maintaining up to date bank details with both the University and the Student Loans Company (SLC).
- 3.3 Bursaries and Scholarships may be paid into nominated bank accounts in instalments.
- 3.4 Where bank details have not been received/are inaccurate, and the University has taken reasonable steps to retrieve updated information from the relevant student, the University reserves the right to rescind that student's eligibility to a bursary and/or scholarship award for the relevant academic year.

- 4.0 Higher Education Bursaries and Scholarships System (HEBSS)
  - 4.1 Where a Bursary payment is administered by the Student Loans Company (SLC) on behalf of the University, payment will not be made to those students who have opted not to give their consent, via the student finance application, for the SLC to share information with the University.
  - 4.2 The University is not responsible for the delayed payment of a Bursary where the incorrect tuition fee has been quoted on the funding application form or where evidence provided by the student in respect of their financial support application has not been verified by the SLC.

#### 5.0 Timescales/Deadlines

5.1 The cut-off date for unpaid/unclaimed Bursaries and Scholarships will be 30<sup>th</sup> September 2026. After this date, save for the case of exceptional circumstances\*, student eligibility for a Bursary and/or Scholarship for the academic year 2025/26 will be rescinded.

#### 6.0 Disclaimers

- 6.1 Information regarding the University's Bursaries and Scholarships published outside of this document, both internally and externally, is intended as informative only and does not necessarily represent the position of the University.
- 6.2 This document should be referred to by staff and students as the definitive source of information in respect of University of Lincoln Home student Bursary and Scholarship provision.

<sup>\*</sup>Exceptional circumstance claims must be made in writing by the student to the Head of Student Registry Services, explaining the circumstance which has led to the student failing to carry out the required action that has prevented the University/SLC from calculating and/or paying the Bursary/Scholarship.

# **Access Bursaries**

16/17, 17/18, 18/19, 19/20, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24 2024/25 and 2025/26 Entrants

# **University of Lincoln Scholarship**

The University of Lincoln Scholarship of £500 is for students commencing their studies for the first time in 2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24, 2024/25 or 2025/26, paying the tuition fee rate of £9,535 and in receipt of a full or partial Maintenance Loan.

#### Eligibility

- 1. Student commenced programme in Academic Year 2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24, 2024/25 or 2025/26.
- 2.
- a. Student commenced their studies for the first time between 2016/17 and 2024/25, is in receipt of a full or partial Maintenance Loan, and has a household income of less than £45,875.

Or

- b. Student commenced their studies for the first time in academic year 2025/26, is in receipt of a full or partial Maintenance Loan, and has a household income of less than £25,000.
- 3. Student is on level 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7 of a full time undergraduate degree or foundation degree programme for the first time.
- 4. Student has up to date nominated bank details registered with Student Finance England/Student Loans Company.
- 5. Student is enrolled with the University of Lincoln at each eligibility point in the academic year detailed below.

#### **Additional Details**

The University of Lincoln Scholarship of £500 will be paid directly into the student's nominated bank account, in three instalments (£165, £165 and £170 respectively).

The University of Lincoln Scholarship will be paid for all levels of study for the first time that they are studied.

#### Exceptions

Students should be aware that any change of circumstance, personal or study-related, may lead to reassessment by SLC and subsequent change in eligibility of the University of Lincoln Support Package.

Students on Certificate of Higher Education programmes where there is no automatic progression route onto a degree programme are not eligible.

Students repeating a year of study are not eligible.

# **Lincoln Alumni Scholarship**

The Alumni Scholarship is an award for students who have previously completed study awarded by the University of Lincoln and, via one of the eligible progression routes, wish to progress onto postgraduate taught (excluding online Masters programmes) or research study at the University of Lincoln.

## Eligibility

- 1. Student has previously completed an Undergraduate degree (or equivalent qualification that leads to postgraduate study), Graduate Certificate or Graduate Diploma at the University of Lincoln.
- 2. Student has a student status of Home on the Student Information System.
- 3. Student is enrolled on the Student Information System, via one of the identified progression routes (Appendix 1), on a University of Lincoln postgraduate taught or postgraduate research programme for the current academic year (MSc, MA, MFA, MBA, MRes, MPhil, PhD)
- Student is not enrolled on Master of Architecture, Bachelor of Architecture, MSc Physiotherapy (pre-registration), MSc Occupational Therapy (pre-registration), MSc Nursing (pre-registration) MSc Speech and Language Therapy (pre-registration) or Social Work.
- 5. Student commenced the Postgraduate Taught or Postgraduate Research programme in academic year 2025/26
- 6. Student is not in receipt of a studentship.
- 7. Student is not a member of staff with their tuition fees paid by the University.

#### **Additional Details**

The University of Lincoln Alumni Scholarship is calculated at 20% of the tuition fees for Postgraduate Taught and Research programmes and will be added as a credit to eligible students' tuition fee accounts upon enrolment.

#### **Exceptions:**

Students in receipt of the Lincoln Master of Architecture scholarship, MSc School of Health and Social Care Scholarship or a Postgraduate Research studentship are not eligible to receive the University of Lincoln Alumni Scholarship. Students studying online Masters programmes (excluding MA Photography online) are eligible to receive an alumni scholarship of 10% of the tuition fees.

# **Lincoln Alumni Master of Architecture Scholarship**

The Lincoln Alumni Master of Architecture Scholarship is an award for students who have previously completed study at the University of Lincoln and are enrolling on the Master of Architecture Programme (MArch).

## **Eligibility**

- 1. Student has previously completed an Undergraduate degree (or equivalent qualification that leads to postgraduate study), Graduate Certificate or Graduate Diploma at the University of Lincoln.
- 2. Student has a student status of Home on the Student Information System.
- 3. Student is enrolled on the Student Information System, via one of the identified progression routes (Appendix 1), on the Master of Architecture programme for the current academic year.
- 4. Student commenced the programme in academic year 2025/26 and is paying the full tuition fee rate of £9.535.
- 5. Student commenced the programme in academic year 2025/26 and is paying the part time tuition fee rate of £79 per credit point.

#### **Additional Details**

The University of Lincoln Alumni Master of Architecture Scholarship is calculated at £1,000 and will be paid into the students' nominated bank account for each year of study. Part time students will receive the scholarship on a pro rata basis.

# Lincoln Alumni MSc School of Health and Social Care Scholarship

The Lincoln Alumni MSc School of Health and Social Care Scholarship is an award for students who have previously completed study at the University of Lincoln and are enrolling on one of the following programmes:

MSc Nursing with Registered Nurse – (Adult)

MSc Nursing with Registered Nurse – (Child)

MSc Nursing with Registered Nurse – (Mental Health)

MSc Physiotherapy (Pre-registration)

MSc Occupational Therapy (Pre-registration)

MSc Speech and Language Therapy (Pre-registration)

MSc Social Work

#### **Eligibility**

- Student has previously completed an Undergraduate degree (or equivalent qualification that leads to postgraduate study), Graduate Certificate or Graduate Diploma at the University of Lincoln, confirmed by a University of Lincoln Board of Examiners.
- 2. Student is enrolled on the Student Information System, via one of the identified progression routes (Appendix 1), on one of the programmes listed above for the current academic year.
- 3. Student commenced the programme in academic year 2025/26 and is paying the full tuition fee rate of £9,535 per year if Home or £18,400 per year if International (pro-rata for part-time studies).
- 4. All tuition fees and payments due to the University in relation to any previous study have been paid in full.

## **Additional Details**

£1000 will be paid directly to the student for each year of study for each completed academic year of study, with part-time students eligible for a pro-rata payment.

# Bursaries and Scholarships where eligibility is not entry year specific

# **Blackburn Bursary (for Care Leavers)**

The Blackburn Bursary is for students under the age of 25 who are defined as a 'care leaver.'

# **Eligibility**

- Students must be a 'Home' student, which is determined by the funding provider (e.g. Student Finance England) and not the student status that University of Lincoln allocates to you.
- EU students and international students are not eligible.
- Students must be officially enrolled and studying a first degree at undergraduate level.
- Students studying on a **part-time basis**, must have a course intensity of at least 25% of a full-time equivalent.
- Students must be under the age of 25.
- Students must have been in the care of, or have been given accommodation by, their local authority.
- Their time in care must have lasted at least 13 weeks.
- Their time in care must have ended after they turned 16.
- Students must not have returned to the care of their parent(s) prior to the first day of the first academic year of their course.
- Students must not have previously received the Blackburn Bursary for the same year of study.

#### **Additional details**

The Blackburn Bursary is a set amount of £1,500 paid to eligible students in 2 instalments for each completed level of study. The first instalment of £500 is paid upon approval of application following enrolment. The 2nd instalment of £1,000 is paid upon successful completion of the level of the programme enrolled.

Students that are required to repeat a level of study will not be paid the £1,000 instalment until the repeat year has been successfully passed.

Students will only receive the Blackburn Bursary once for each level of the programme successfully completed.

Students that transfer programmes will only receive the Blackburn Bursary once for any one level of study successfully completed.

Applications for a Blackburn Bursary must be made through the Student Funding Team in the Student Support Centre.

## **Exceptions**

Students in receipt of the Lincoln Foyer/Supported Housing Bursary are not eligible to receive the Lincoln Blackburn Bursary.

# **Lincoln Foyer/Supported Housing Bursary**

The Foyer/Supported Housing Bursary is for students who come directly from living in a Foyer or other supported housing, where they have lived between the ages of 16 to 18.

#### **Eligibility**

- 1. Students must be enrolled on the Student Information System on a full-time or parttime University of Lincoln Undergraduate programme for the current academic year.
- 2. Students must have a student status of Home on the Student Information System.
- 3. Students must have enrolled directly from living in a Foyer/Supported Housing.
- 4. Students must not have previously received the Lincoln Foyer/Supported Housing Bursary for the same level of study.

#### **Additional details**

The Lincoln Foyer/Supported Housing Bursary is a set amount of £1,000 per year paid to eligible students in 3 equal termly instalments.

Applications for a Lincoln Foyer/Supported Housing Bursary must be made through the Student Funding Team in the Student Support Centre

### **Exceptions**

Students in receipt of the Lincoln Blackburn Bursary are not eligible to receive the Lincoln Foyer/Supported Housing Bursary.

# **George Major Bursary**

The George Major Bursary exists to provide bursaries for students who have a life-limiting (life shortening) condition\*.

#### **Eligibility**

- Students must be enrolled on a Student Information System on a:
  - o a full-time or part-time University of Lincoln undergraduate programme;
  - o a postgraduate taught programme
  - o a postgraduate research programme.
- Students must have a student status of Home on the Student Information System.

#### How to apply

Email Studentsupport@lincoln.ac.uk

#### **Evidence**

Applicants must provide evidence which confirms that have a life-limiting (life shortening) illness. This can be either:

- Evidence from the applicant's medical practitioner, or
- Evidence from the Student Wellbeing Centre, providing they already hold the appropriate evidence from the applicant's medical practitioner.

## The Mary Stuart Scholarship

To support those students from hard-to-reach backgrounds within Greater Lincolnshire, who have overcome obstacles and adversity and for whom financial support would make the world of difference.

The Scholarship is for £1,000 per year for 3 years to a student paying the full tuition fee rate applicable at the time. Commencing in the first level of study with each subsequent payment being made on successful progression to the next level of study. A maximum of 3 students will be awarded the scholarship.

# **Eligibility**

- 1. Student must be a UK citizen, residing in the county of Lincolnshire or attending an educational setting in the county at the time of application.
- 2. Student is enrolled on a full-time undergraduate programme for the first time.
- 3. Student must have a student status of Home on the Student Information System

#### **Additional Details**

The recipient(s) is/are selected as the result of:

- A nomination being received by a senior leader at the educational setting the student attends at the time of application.
- Deadline to receive applications is 4 July 2025, applications would be reviewed, and decisions communicated by 26th September 2025.
- Should insufficient nominations be received, funds may be awarded as the result of information presented by the student, enabling them to meet the eligibility criteria.
- Should insufficient nominations or applications be received, funds can roll over to the following academic year.
- Nominations will be reviewed by a panel, consisting of university staff from student support, student well-being and student recruitment based on the eligibility criteria, nomination received and funds available.

The scholarship, to the value of £3,000, will assist with programme and/or subsistence costs whilst studying at the University, and will be paid directly into the student's nominated bank account.

The instalments shall be paid to the recipient(s) in December in each academic level of study for a maximum of 3 years, subject to successful progression to the next level of study.

# **Glossary**

# 1. SLC

The Student Loans Company. A non-profitable organisation administering student Finance applications, Bursary payments and student tuition fee and maintenance loans.

## 2. Student Finance Application

Student Finance Application form that must be completed by the student/sponsors and submitted to the relevant Funding Body.

Appendix 1: University of Lincoln Alumni Scholarship Eligible Progression Routes

Course completed at UoL	Course progressed to
Undergraduate (BA, BSc, LL.B,	Postgraduate Taught (MA, MFA, MSc, MBA, LL.M),
FdSc, FdA)	Postgraduate Research (MPhil/PhD)
Integrated Masters (MBio,	Postgraduate Research (MPhil/PhD)
MChem, MComp, MEcon, MEng,	
MFin, MMath, MPharm, MPhys,	
MSci, MGeog)	
Graduate Certificate	Postgraduate Taught (MA, MSc, MBA, LL.M),
	Postgraduate Research (MPhil/PhD)
Graduate Diploma	Postgraduate Taught (MA, MSc, MBA, LL.M),
	Postgraduate Research (MPhil/PhD)