

## Teesside University London Access Scholarships

As part of our widening access and participation agenda, Teesside University offer a scholarship of £3,000 to full-time, Home undergraduate students studying eligible courses++ at our London campus.

Scholarships are awarded by the University to enrolled students that meet the eligibility criteria as set out below.

### Eligibility criteria

To be eligible for the scholarship, students, at the point of entry to an eligible course, must meet all of the following criteria:

Under-represented cohorts	Scholarship Award**
You must be a <b>first-year</b> student applying to commence your studies in the 2024-25 academic year and be classed as a Home student (see below).	Up to £3,000 cash, awarded over academic years 1, 2 and 3 (maximum 3 years).
You must be a UK resident.	
Have an annual household income of £30,000 or less** (You must have undergone a means tested Student Loans Company assessment.)	

\*\*As assessed and confirmed via the Student Loans Company at the point of enrolment.

Scholarships will be awarded over a maximum period of three academic years for programmes longer than one academic year and be subject to successful progression from one level to the next. Please see 'Awarding Scholarships' section below. Scholarships are subject to a maximum total payment of £3,000 over three academic years.

### **Determining Home Student Status**

You must be classed as a Home student to qualify for the scholarship.

The Government classes students as either Home or International. This status determines which tuition fees you pay, and which scholarships you are eligible to apply for.

As part of the admissions process, the University will verify various aspects of a UCAS applicant's status to determine that applicants fit the criteria of a Home student. The following criteria will be verified:

- declared nationality
- country of birth
- country of permanent residence
- date of entry into the UK (if applicable)
- location of previous education.

Isle of Man and the Channel Islands students are eligible to apply for these scholarships.

If you are an International student, you are not eligible for these scholarships.

Students who already hold an undergraduate degree are not eligible for these Scholarships.

### **Applying for the Scholarship**

Scholarships are awarded automatically to enrolled students that meet the eligibility criteria as set out above.

You must therefore apply for and meet the conditions of your offer and then enrol onto and study an eligible course to qualify.

Details of all full-time undergraduate programmes can be found here:

<https://tees.ac.uk/london/>

### **How to apply**

If you are starting a full-time undergraduate degree programme in the 2024/25 academic year and meet the eligibility criteria, you do not need to apply but will be contacted to inform you of the award within four weeks of the course start date. We will verify your household income based on the information held by the Student Loans Company.

You will be required to make your bank details available via your student portal for the payment to be processed.

### **Awarding scholarships**

Successful applicants will be awarded only one scholarship provided they meet the eligibility criteria.

Following enrolment onto an eligible course and confirmation of satisfying all criteria and attendance, scholarship awards will be confirmed. You **MUST** give consent to the Student Loans Company to share your financial information with Teesside University.

Scholarships will be awarded over a maximum period of three academic years.

Students will receive the award in three equal instalments throughout the academic year paid to your account. Student bank account details are required to be added through the **student portal**.

The scholarship award is intended to support you with any of the following:

- Travel costs – including public transport, petrol, vehicle costs such as insurance, maintenance, other costs such as parking, tolls.
- Digital – IT equipment including laptops, tablets, specialist software and digital connectivity such as broadband costs.
- Childcare costs – related to additional childcare needs for attending university and/or placement.
- Other expenses - such as books, specialist equipment and essential course materials.

If you eligible but have not completed online registration and enrolment on your course within three weeks of the course start date the scholarship will be withdrawn.

The scholarship award is conditional on you maintaining satisfactory engagement and making academic progress in your course of study in the reasonable opinion of the academic course team. If you are withdrawn from your course before receiving a scholarship payment, the scholarship offer will be withdrawn. If you withdraw after a scholarship payment is made, the University will not normally seek reimbursement however you will not receive any further instalments.

If you transfer to another course and repeat a year, or if you repeat a year of the same course, the scholarship will not be awarded in the repeated year. However, the scholarship award will continue once you progress onto the following year(s) of study. Please note, to be eligible the transfer must be to another eligible course.

If you interrupt your studies in academic year 2024/25, you will be eligible to receive the remainder of your award when you return, up until the end of academic year 2027/28.

## **Income Assessed Scholarships**

Income assessed scholarships will be based on the Student Loan Company's definition and assessment of household income. Your declared household income will be checked and verified. Scholarships will only be offered to those students who have a confirmed annual household income of £30,000 or less.

### ***Disclaimer***

Every effort is made to ensure that all scheme details are correct at the time of writing. They are intended to act as an information source only for potential scholarship applicants and in no way should they be considered to be legally binding or guarantee an award of a scholarship.

The University will not be deemed to be in breach of any legal or contractual obligations due to changes to eligibility criteria beyond the reasonable control of the University. It should therefore be noted that these scheme details are regularly reviewed and are naturally subject to change from time to time sometimes without notice. The University's decision on the award of scholarships is final.

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### **Eligible Courses**

The following full-time three-year degree programmes are eligible for this scholarship only:

BA (Hons) Animation

BA (Hons) Business Management

BSc (Hons) Computer Science

BA (Hons) Games Art

BA (Hons) Games Design

BA (Hons) Games Development

BSc (Hons) Information and Cyber Security

BA (Hons) International Business

BA (Hons) Visual Effects

**Appendix 1****Evidencing Priority Criteria**

<b>Under-represented Cohort</b>	<b>Evidence</b>
You have an annual household income of £30,000 or less**	If you are a Home student who has applied for means-tested loans and grants from the Students Loans Company, the University will liaise with the Student Loans Company to verify your household income levels after you have fully enrolled on the course.