



MA in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) FT

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UCD Centre for English and Global Languages

Scholarship Scheme 2026/2027

The **UCD Centre for English and Global Languages** is offering **six competitive scholarships** for students who will study on the **MA in TESOL (Z155) full-time or the MA in TESOL Pre-Service (Z378) full-time** in the academic year **2026/2027** (September start only). The scholarships will cover **50 % of the 2026/2027 tuition fees** and will be awarded on merit.

Who is Eligible to Apply?

In order to be eligible to apply for this advertised scholarship, applicants must have a firm or conditional offer on either MA full-time.

How to Apply?

Interested applicants should submit a **personal statement** (max. 500 words) outlining their commitment to language learning and teaching and to a Master's degree in TESOL. AI tools may not be used to generate content in the personal statement.

All applications must be sent to tesol@ucd.ie by Friday, 10 April 2026, 4pm (Irish time).



Criteria

The TESOL Scholarship Selection Committee will review all applications based on the following criteria:

- Academic suitability to the TESOL Programme
- Impact of TESOL Scholarship on future career

Scholarship Application Documents

- **Application Form** which includes the Scholarship Statement

For further information, please contact tesol@ucd.ie

Decisions will be made by the Scholarship Committee and candidates will be notified within one week of the committee decision. It is the student's responsibility to formally accept the scholarship offer **by return e-mail**. A non-response will be considered as declining the offer.

Terms & Conditions

- 1) The Scholarship Program is funded by UCD **Centre for English and Global Languages** and aims to attract excellent candidates to the UCD's MA TESOL Programme and encourage early application.
- 2) For one year master's programmes, the scholarship will cover the awarded amount against one year of tuition fees.
- 3) In order to be eligible to apply for this advertised scholarship, applicants must have 'Offer', 'Conditional Offer', 'Accept' or 'Conditional Accept' status associated with their application.
- 4) Scholarship awards are applicable to the full-time MA TESOL Z155 and full-time MA TESOL Pre-Service Z378 programmes only.
- 5) Scholarships are open to self-funding candidates.
- 6) Successful candidates will be selected on merit paired with a holistic review of their scholarship application. The CEGL offers this scholarship with the aim to attract academically strong students as well as students from underrepresented regions.
- 7) Only complete applications received before the deadlines stated above will be considered.
- 8) Decisions will be made by the Scholarship Committee and candidates will be notified within one week of the committee decision.
- 9) This scholarship is not eligible to be combined with any other tuition scholarship.
- 10) Students awarded a scholarship are expected to attend UCD Open Events where required. Students are expected also to agree to join the Student Ambassador Panel and provide testimonials, or podcasts on their experience at UCD where required.
- 11) A student who withdraws, cancels or becomes inactive, enrols less than full-time, is suspended, or dismissed from the University will lose his/her scholarship eligibility. A student who takes such a status due to medical reasons (or other approved extenuating circumstances) may appeal in writing to the Scholarship Committee to have his/her scholarship reinstated. The appeal must be submitted with supporting documentation, such as a letter from a doctor. In such a case, for there to be a possibility for reinstatement, a student's leave from the University cannot exceed two consecutive semesters.
- 12) A student who declines an initial offer of admission and accompanying scholarship offer will not retain his/her scholarship offer if he/she reapplys at a later date.
- 13) Scholarships are non-transferable and will only apply to the programme associated with the offer letter that contains the scholarship award.