

UCD Global

International Student Scholarships:

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Scholarship Description

- 1) International Student Scholarships (formerly 'Global Scholarships') are applied in line with UCD Global procedures, with the aim to attract:
 - a) Academically strong students;
 - b) Students from underrepresented regions;
 - c) Students to academic programmes with a greater capacity for international students.
- 2) The International Student Scholarship is payable only toward the tuition fees of successful applicants.
- 3) Programme applications are assessed at the point of offer for International Student Scholarship eligibility. Where an offer is conditional, the scholarship may be reassessed once final grades are received, and a firm offer is issued. This reassessment could result in the scholarship being removed or adjusted to a lower valueOnce the final scholarship amount is determined by UCD Global, it is not possible to appeal the International Student Scholarship amount (see point 6).

Preconditions

- 4) Scholarships are only open to self-funding candidates who are classified as <u>non-EU for tuition fee</u> purposes.
- 5) Eligible programmes are limited to undergraduate and graduate taught programmes, where the student must be based in Dublin and no part of the programme is awarded by another institution. The following programmes are excluded from the International Student Scholarship scheme:
 - a) Online programmes
 - b) Part-time programmes
 - c) UCD Smurfit Graduate Business School MSc and MBA
 - d) Clinical programmes
 - e) Off-shore campus programmes

Other programmes may also be ineligible for the International Student Scholarship scheme at the discretion of the UCD College or School.

- 6) All non-EU applications to eligible programmes will be assessed by UCD Global for the International Student Scholarship. UCD Global determines the eligibility and amount of scholarship based on the applicant's academic strength as demonstrated in the relevant programme application. Minimum eligibility criteria are determined relative to the programme's entry requirements and the student's regional matriculation qualification.
- 7) Only the prerequisite prior academic qualifications will be considered when determining the eligibility and amount of an International Student Scholarship. Awards or experience in nonprerequisite degrees or programmes will not be considered.
- 8) Applicants presenting with provisional or predicted grades will have their scholarship eligibility reassessed once final results are received. This assessment may result in an increase to the original award if final results are higher than predicted or provisional grades. This assessment may also result in the reduction or removal of a scholarship award if final results are lower than than predicted or provisional grades.
- 9) The International Student Scholarship cannot be combined with any other tuition scholarship. In the event that an applicant is awarded more than one scholarship offer, they will receive the scholarship of greater financial value, unless otherwise requested by the recipient.



Due Date and Timeframes

- 10) Following notification of an offer for an International Student Scholarship, students must accept their scholarship offer online within the timeframe communicated in the Offer Letter.
 - a) It is the student's responsibility to formally accept the scholarship offer.
 - b) Failure to respond within the given timeframe will be considered as declining the scholarship offer.
 - c) A declined or lapsed offer for the International Student Scholarship cannot be reinstated.
- 11) Candidates for the International Student Scholarship must pay the deposit required upon acceptance of an offer to study at UCD. Only candidates who have paid their deposit by the International Student Scholarship acceptance deadline will successfully secure their Scholarship. Applicants who accept the programme offer after the International Student Scholarship acceptance deadline will not retain their scholarship.
- 12) International Student Scholarships are non-transferable and will apply only to the programme and academic term (or 'commencement date') associated with the offer letter that contains the scholarship award. Once the offer of an International Student Scholarship has been issued, a student who declines the initial offer of admission to UCD may not transfer the Scholarship to another programme.
- 13) International Student Scholarships cannot be deferred to another commencement date. If a student chooses to defer their entry to UCD after the offer of an International Student Scholarship is given, they will forfeit their scholarship. Students with deferred entry may be re-considered for an International Student Scholarship in the same manner as all students for the new year of entry.
- 14) UCD reserves the right to discontinue or modify the scholarship scheme or any component thereof, and to revise any or all of the scholarship requirements, processes, or eligibility criteria, at any time in the future.

Student Obligations

- 15) By accepting an International Student Scholarship, students commit to contributing to at least one of any of the following platforms and activities, as reasonably directed by UCD:
 - a) UCD social media content;
 - b) UCD website content;
 - c) Discussion groups and panels, surveys;
 - d) Additional events or activities for the promotion of UCD.
- 16) Only students who remain continuously enrolled in UCD may retain their International Student Scholarship.
- 17) A student who withdraws, cancels, becomes inactive, enrolls less than full-time, is suspended or dismissed from the University will lose their scholarship eligibility. If a student's enrolment status is changed to any of the aforementioned statuses due to medical reasons (or other approved extenuating circumstances), their scholarship will be reinstated upon return to normal, full-time enrolment at UCD¹. In order for reinstatement of the International Student Scholarship to be considered, a student's leave from the University cannot exceed two consecutive semesters.
- 18) A student who applies for a formal Leave of Absence and is approved by the relevant College Programme Board may retain their scholarship upon return to the same programme at UCD. In order for the scholarship to be retained, the Leave of Absence may not be longer than one academic year.
- 19) Reduced or prorated fees:
 - a) If a student's fees are reduced or prorated due to a formal Recognition of Prior Learning,

¹ Please see UCD's Extenuating Circumstances Policy for further information.



- the scholarship may be prorated in proportion with the fees reduced.
- b) If a student's fees are reduced or prorated due to a non-standard credit load for another reason, the scholarship may be retained only if the credit load is within 10 credits of the standard credit load for the given year and stage of the programme. In such cases, the scholarship will also be prorated in proportion with the fees reduced. Where the student's annual credit load deviates by more than 10 credits, the scholarship may only be retained where the College Programme Office has documented medical or personal reasons for the reduced credit load. The scholarship amount is subject to adjustment commensurate with the reduction in fees. No increase in the scholarship amount will be considered.
- c) If a student's fees are reduced for any other reason, the scholarship will be reduced in proportion with the fees.
- 20) Students taking additional modules, above the annual standard credit load for their programme, will be required to cover any additional fees independently.
- 21) International Student Scholarships are automatically renewed each year of a programme, on condition that the student maintains a Stage GPA of 3.08/4.20 and meets the programme progression and credit requirements within one academic year.
- 22) For multi-year programmes, where an International Student Scholarship (ISS) has been suspended, a student may have their original award amount reinstated if they subsequently reestablish eligibility. For example, if a student's GPA falls below 3.08 in Stage 1 and consequently their ISS is suspended for Stage 2, the original award may be reinstate for Stage 3 provided the student achieves a minimum Stage GPA of 3.08 and meets all programme progression and credit requirements at the end of Stage 2.
- 23) Once an International Student Scholarship has been discontinued, it cannot be reinstated, except in cases where a student subsequently reestablishes eligibility, as outlined above (point 20).
- 24) All scholarship and funding schemes are subject to availability of funds, and details given here are subject to change at any time. Potential applicants are urged to check information regularly to ensure they are aware of current procedures, deadlines and other information.
- 25) The University reserves the right to withdraw, vary or amend any aspect of a Scholarship if it is found that an error or mistake has been made by the University.
- 26) Any material misrepresentation of the facts in the candidate's application and supporting materials, whether discovered during the verification process or later, will result in immediate disqualification.

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Queries

New Applicants:

All queries should be directed to the relevant UCD Global Team:

North America	northamerica@ucd.ie
China	chinaoffice@ucd.ie
South Asia	india@ucd.ie
Asia- Pacific (excl. China)	apac@ucd.ie
Middle East and Africa	mea@ucd.ie
Rest of World	internationalenquiries@ucd.ie

Continuing Students: All queries should be directed to the relevant College or School Programme

Office. Cases will be escalated to the UCD International Student

Scholarships and Funding Team, as required.