

UCD Global

Global Excellence Scholarship

Terms & Conditions and

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Terms and Conditions



Scholarship Description

- 1. Global Excellence Scholarships aim to attract outstanding candidates to UCD programmes and to encourage early application.
- 2. Scholarship applications will be considered on academic merit paired with holistic review of their scholarship application.
- 3. The Global Excellence Scholarship is payable only toward the tuition fees of the successful candidate.
- 4. An annual competition will be run to select a limited number of students per region. Successful applicants will be awarded either a 100% or a 50% tuition fee scholarship.
- 5. The scholarship is only available to students entering a new programme at UCD. Students already completing a programme will not be considered for the Global Excellence Scholarship for that programme.

Preconditions

- 6. Applicants must meet the citizenship and residence requirements given in the **Regional Information** section of this document.
- 7. Scholarships are only open to self-funding candidates who are classified as non-EU for **tuition fee purposes**.
- 8. 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 Global Excellence Scholarship scheme:
 - Online programmes
 - Part-time programmes
 - Clinical programmes
 - Off-shore campus programmes

For a full list of eligible programmes, please see Eligible Programmes.

- 9. Students progressing from the UCD International Foundation Year (IFY) to a UCD programme are ineligible for the Global Excellence Scholarship.
- 10. Applicants to the Global Excellence Scholarship will have already obtained one of the following statuses on an application for an eligible programme:
 - Offer
 - Conditional Offer
 - Accept
 - Conditional Accept
- 11. Applications for the Global Excellence Scholarship should be submitted in accordance with the instructions given in the Global Excellence Scholarship Application document.
- 12. The Global Excellence Scholarship cannot be combined with any other tuition scholarship.

Due Date and Timeframes

- 13. Without exception, only complete applications received on or before the deadline will be considered. The deadline is given in the relevant **Regional Information**.
- 14. Successful and reserve candidates for the Global Excellence Scholarship will be selected by the Scholarship Committee.
- 15. Candidates will be notified within two weeks of the Committee's decision, or within 5-6 weeks of the application deadline (see **Regional Information**).



- 16. The Scholarship Committee's decisions are final and cannot be appealed.
- 17. Following notification of an offer for a Global Excellence Scholarship, students must accept their scholarship offer online within the timeframe communicated by the International Scholarships and Funding Officer.
 - 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 Global Excellence Scholarship offer cannot be reinstated.
- 18. Candidates for the Global Excellence Scholarship must pay the deposit required upon acceptance of an offer to study at UCD. Only candidates who have paid their deposit at the time of accepting the Global Excellence Scholarship will successfully secure both their Scholarship and place on the programme at UCD. Successful awardees of the 100% Global Excellence Scholarship will have their deposit refunded following registration at UCD.
- 19. The Global Excellence Scholarship is non-transferable and cannot be deferred. The Global Excellence Scholarship 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 a Global Excellence Scholarship has been issued, a candidate who declines the initial offer of admission to UCD may not retain the Scholarship for another programme. If deferred entry is approved by UCD the Global Excellence Scholarship will be forfeited. Students with a deferred entry may apply or reapply for a Global Excellence Scholarship for the year to which they have deferred entry.

Student Obligations

- 20. By accepting a Global Excellence Scholarship, students commit to contributing to at least one of any of the following platforms, as reasonably directed by UCD:
 - UCD social media content
 - UCD website content
 - Discussion groups and panels, surveys
 - Additional events or activities for the promotion of UCD.
- 21. Only students who remain continuously enrolled at UCD may retain their Global Excellence Scholarship.
- 22. A student who withdraws, cancels, becomes inactive, enrols 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), they may appeal in writing to the Scholarship Committee to have their scholarship reinstated upon return to normal, full-time enrolment at the University. The appeal and supporting documentation, such as a letter from a doctor, should be emailed to the appropriate College or School Programme Office. In order for reinstatement of the Global Excellence Scholarship to be considered, a student's leave from the University cannot exceed two consecutive semesters.
- 23. 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.
- 24. Reduced or prorated fees:
 - a) If a student's fees are reduced or prorated due to a formal Recognition of Prior Learning, 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. 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.

- 25. Global Excellence 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, or the first attempt of a given stage. If a student loses eligibility for a Global Excellence Scholarship on the basis of academic performance or progression, the relevant UCD College may determine that the student is still eligible for a discretionary College Global Scholarship. College Global Scholarships are administered wholly at the discretion of the College.
- 26. Once a Global Excellence Scholarship has been discontinued, it cannot be reinstated.
- 27. 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.
- 28. 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.
- 29. 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.

Note that all Terms and Conditions are subject to change without notification.

Regional Information



Regional Notes:

- All applicants must be classified as non-EU for tuition fees and UCD admissions.
- Late applications will not be considered.
- Decisions will be released within five weeks of the deadline.

Region	Citizenship & Residence Rules	Deadline
North America: Canada, USA, American Samoa, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam	Undergraduate only Applicants must be both citizens and residents in this region. For graduate students, see All Other Regions	01 February
South Asia: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Mauritius, Maldives, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, Seychelles, Réunion	Graduate only Applicants must be both citizens and residents in this region. For undergraduate students, see All Other Regions	28 February
All Other Regions	Undergraduate and Graduate: Applicants may be citizens and/or resident of any countries outside the EU/EEA/ Swiss Confederation.	31 March

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¹ Students who are resident in North America and who are <u>not</u> North American citizens will apply under the category of 'All Other Regions'.