

# University of Essex Women in STEM Scholarship 2025-26

The Women in STEM scholarship programme, funded by the British Council, provides funding for women from eligible countries to complete a one-year master's degree in the UK.

The scholarship is intended to cover all costs (up to approved limits for each element) associated with the programme study including:

Type of award	Funding available
<p><b>Full-funding award</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Tuition fees for one-year taught masters course only.</li> <li>■ Up to 12-months monthly stipend at the rate of £1,603 per month to cover costs of living, including accommodation.</li> <li>■ *IELTS exam fee (for scholars without a valid test of English).</li> <li>■ *Return economy-class travel from home country to UK.</li> <li>■ *Study-related costs, such as essential travel, materials, equipment, thesis printing etc.</li> <li>■ Visa application fees.</li> <li>■ NHS surcharge</li> <li>■ *Ad hoc costs (heavy baggage allowance, etc.)</li> </ul> <p><b>*Please note evidence will be required for these expenses</b></p>

## Terms and conditions

### Eligibility

- Be a passport holder and permanent resident of Mexico
- Be a self-funded\* female\*\* overseas fee payer

\*Students receiving a repayable loan to fund their studies will be considered as self-funded.

\*\*Please note this scholarship is open for women and anyone identifying as a woman

- Hold an offer (conditional or unconditional) to start a one-year full time masters degree on one of the following courses within the Department of Government, School of Health and Community Services, School of Life Sciences, School of Computer Science and Electronic Engineering, School of Mathematics, Statistics and Actuarial Science, starting in October 2025.
  - MSc Environmental Futures with Climate Change
  - Master of Global Public Health
  - MSc Biotechnology
  - MSc Cancer Biology
  - MSc Marine Science and Sustainable Development
  - MSc Artificial Intelligence in Finance
  - MSc Applications of Artificial Intelligence
  - MSc Financial Technology (Computer Science)
  - MSc Intelligent Systems and Robotics
  - MSc Data Science and its Applications
- Only one scholarship award can be made per student and the award cannot normally be held in conjunction with other University of Essex awards.

## **Students who are not eligible**

The following students are NOT eligible for this scholarship regardless of meeting the above criteria:

- Students undertaking courses at East 15 Acting School.
- Students who are fully or partly sponsored
- These scholarship awards do not apply to deferred entry. Where a scholarship has been awarded to a student who subsequently defers entry to the following academic year, the award will be withdrawn, and the applicant will be considered again in line with the terms and conditions that apply in the new proposed year of entry.
- Students who are not assessed as paying overseas fees.

## How to apply

Please complete the application form and submit to [bcwomeninstem@essex.ac.uk](mailto:bcwomeninstem@essex.ac.uk) by **15<sup>th</sup> April 2025**. Successful applicants will be notified on or before 12<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

To help you prepare, we have outlined the information you will need below:

### Personal details and application information

You will need your:

- Essex Application ID
- Course or programme of study you've been accepted for
- Name
- Email address
- Nationality
- Country of residence
- Current or most recent educational institution
- Details of any other funding you are due to receive.
- Copy of your passport

### Payment arrangements

- These scholarships will only be made available as a reduction on the tuition fee that is payable on registration at the University. Payments will be made by stipend via a bank transfer. Please note payment cannot be offset against a tuition fee deposit if one is required.
- If you intermit from your course, you may, at the discretion of the University, be entitled to a pro-rata payment of the remainder of your award on your return to study. Please contact the [Funding Team](#) for further information.

### Data Privacy Statement

The University of Essex takes confidentiality very seriously, your application form will only be seen by members of staff involved in processing your application. Information is kept in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) as it applies in the UK, tailored by the Data Protection Act 2018. Personal data will be used solely for statistical purposes and electronic record keeping and may be made available to authorised University staff to allow statistical information to be analysed.

This data will not be passed to any other third party without your consent, except when the University is required to do so by law. Any formal enquiries concerning the use of data noted here should be addressed to the Head of Student Services.

## **Resolution of disputes**

Acceptance of this award constitutes acceptance of these terms and conditions. Registered students should contact the [Funding Team](#) in the first instance for guidance regarding this award. In cases not covered by the above terms and conditions, or where a student claims exceptional circumstances, or disputes a decision not to make payments due under an award, final appeals on decisions regarding eligibility must be made via the [Student Complaints process](#). The Academic Registrar or their nominee will review the case and his/her decision will be final.

*These terms and conditions apply to the University of Essex Women in STEM scholarships for academic year 2025-26. The University of Essex reserves the right to update these terms and conditions as necessary.*