

Equity & Merit Scholarships: 2025/26 - Application Form

1. Application Information

Please read carefully before you continue.

Applications are welcome from academically excellent professionals from Ethiopia, Malawi, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda and Zimbabwe. Check our [web page](#) to make sure you meet our entry requirements.

It is not necessary to have an academic offer of admission to apply for the scholarship. If you meet our initial criteria, we will ask you to complete an academic application and receive an offer of admission (conditional or unconditional) if you are to be shortlisted for interview.

The deadline for applications is 31 August 2024 at 1700hrs (BST).

How to complete this application form

Most questions on the form require answers. Please type n/a in the boxes you wish to leave blank.

If you wish to leave the form and come back to it later, please double check you have entered your email address correctly and use the 'save and continue' option. You will receive an email with a 'continue' link. If you do not receive an email, please check your junk folder.

Please note that you will be asked to upload the following documents at the end of the application:

- **Reference**
 - We require one reference from someone familiar with your professional experience. In most cases, this should be someone in a management role at your current or most recent employer.
 - this **must** be on official company headed paper and addressed to '**Equity & Merit Scholarships at The University of Manchester**' however it does not need to be sent confidentially and there is no fixed format. See guidance on references <http://man.ac.uk/81PHXj>
- Degree certificates and transcripts, showing subjects taken and grades achieved.
 - We will accept temporary copies of transcripts or certificates of graduation for Ethiopian applicants only.
- **English Language Certificate**
 - IELTS/TOEFL Certificate or Secondary Education Certificate showing your English grade.

All documents must be uploaded and submitted with your application; documents sent by email will **not** be considered.

Once you submit your application you will be prompted to print out your application, we suggest that you do this because you will **not** receive separate confirmation by email.

[Privacy Notice for prospective students, applicants and offer-holders](#)

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2. Eligibility

Are you a resident citizen and national of one of the following countries?

- Ethiopia Malawi
 Rwanda Tanzania
 Uganda Zimbabwe
 Other

**Have you previously studied outside of Africa?
(training of six months or less does not count)**

- No
 Yes

**How many years of work experience do you have?
This must be paid work undertaken after completion of your bachelors degree
and related to your chosen field of study (this does not include unpaid
internships or voluntary work)**

- Less than 1 year
 1 year
 2 years
 3 years
 4+ years

**Did you complete your bachelors degree by September 2023 with an overall
excellent grade which put you in the top 10% of your class.**

- Yes
 No

3. Personal Details

Please complete this section in full.

Name

As stated in your passport or travel document. If you only have one name, please enter it in both boxes.

Family/Last Name

Given Name(s) / First Name(s)

Date of birth

*

What is your age:

Gender

Female

Male

Place of Birth

City

Country

Father's personal details

Name

Occupation

Mother's personal details

Name

Occupation

Addresses

Street/Road name (&
house/building number if
available)

City

County/District/Region

Postal/Area Code

Email address

Main email address

Re-enter email address

Mobile Telephone Number (please include dialing code)

4. Academic Information - bachelor degree

Please tell us where you studied for your bachelor degree.
Institutions are listed by country.

Subject/Programme of study

What was your final grade? Please give either the overall grade, or percentage
or Cumulative GPA.
(Grade/ Percentage/ CGPA)

How many years of study was this programme?

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

When did you complete your undergraduate studies?

Date

5. Academic Information - master's degree

Where did you study for your master's degree?

Institutions are listed by country.

Leave blank if you don't have a master's

Subject/programme of study

What was your final grade? Please give either the overall grade, or percentage or Cumulative GPA.

(Grade/ Percentage/ CGPA)

When did you complete your postgraduate studies?

Date

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6. Other Qualifications and Education

Please provide details of the schools you've attended from the age of 11.

	School	Qualification Type	Date Completed
1	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
2	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Please include any other qualifications relevant to this application and the date obtained

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7. English Language Qualification

IELTS/TOEFL score

	OVERALL	Listening	Reading	Writing	Speaking
Test score	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Date of test (dd/mm/yyyy)

Secondary School Certificate of Education

English Grade

Date completed (dd/mm/yyyy)

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8. Work Experience

Please list all positions held with the most recent first.

	Position/Job Title	Name of Employer	Nature of Work	Start Date (MM/YYYY)	End Date (MM/YYYY)
1	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
2	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
4	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
5	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

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9. Programme Choice

Please tell us which course you wish to study. Full details of the courses can be found on our [web page](#).

10. Personal Statement

What are your reasons for choosing the proposed course?
You should pay special attention to explaining your work experience and how this relates to your choice of course.

You should write between 250-300 words. If you use any abbreviations, please explain what they mean.

How will obtaining a master's degree from Manchester help you to specifically improve the lives of others?

You should write between 250-300 words

11. Documents

Please attach the requested documents.

- A signed reference
- Copy of your degree certificate(s)*
- Copy of your degree transcripts
- English Language Certificate

*Applicants from Ethiopia may submit a temporary copy of the degree certificates and/or transcripts. We will require original documents if you are selected.

Please attach each document separately and in PDF format. If you have more than one page per document then please combine them into one document before attaching. Check that you have scanned the documents the right way up.

DO NOT attach additional documents as they cannot be considered as part of your application.

CHECKLIST

Have you included all the required documents?

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12. Declaration

I declare that by submitting this application, I certify that the information used in this application, and in the supporting documents, is accurate and complete. I understand that the submission of false, misleading or inaccurate information may be sufficient cause for refusal, withdrawal or termination of the scholarship.

- Confirm

13. Other Questions

**1. Are you applying for any other scholarships or awards to study abroad?
This will not affect our decision.**

No

Yes

If 'Yes' please provide details

2. Have you applied or been interviewed for an Equity and Merit Scholarship before?

I applied in a previous year

I have been interviewed in a previous year

No

Please tell us how you first learned of the scholarship? (You may check more than one)

The University of Manchester website British Council

Recommended (ie. Friend/Family etc) Social media (ie. Facebook/Twitter etc)

Search Engine (ie. Google/Yahoo! etc) Scholarship Website/Newsletter (specify below)

Blog/Forum (specify below)

Manchester Student/Alumni (let us know who)

Please provide the web address of the scholarship newsletter, blog or website