

## Eligibility Criteria for Award of British Council GREAT Scholarship in partnership with The University of Manchester

### 2024 awards

#### Eligibility

Eligibility will be based on meeting the following criteria:

1. Applicants will only be considered for these awards if they are a passport holder of one of the following countries: Bangladesh, Ghana, Nigeria, Greece and Mexico.
2. Applicants who have previously studied in the UK are not eligible for the award unless they have studied at The University of Manchester.
3. Awardees will be selected based on academic merit.
4. Applicants must apply for the scholarship via an online form by 26 April 2024 and will be considered based on academic merit and the quality of their scholarship application. The link to the application form will be emailed to all relevant offer holders.
5. Applicants must have taken their bachelor's degree in one of the following countries: Bangladesh, Ghana, Nigeria, Greece and Mexico. Students who have completed a higher education qualification outside of Bangladesh, Ghana, Nigeria, Greece and Mexico will not be eligible to apply for the awards unless their qualification is from The University of Manchester.
6. Decisions will be made on applicants' performance in their bachelor's degree. Students who have completed postgraduate qualifications are welcome to apply but we will only consider bachelor's degrees when allocating the awards.
7. Applicants must complete all sections of the application form. Incomplete forms will not be considered in the selection process.
8. Should any of the grade information you provide prove to be false, The University reserves the right to withdraw the award.
9. The award will be made as a discount on international tuition fees and no payment will be made to the applicant.
10. Applicants must be classified as 'international' for tuition-fee purposes.
11. Applicants must be self-funded (i.e. not sponsored by a government or commercial funder).
12. For courses with a duration of more than one year the discount will apply to the first year of tuition fees only. The award applies only to full-time courses of study delivered at The University of Manchester's main UK campus in Manchester.
13. Applicants for blended and distance learning programmes are not eligible for the award.
14. Applications for MBA, MPhil, MEnt, Master of Architecture (MArch), Architecture & Urbanism (MA) and Master of Landscape Architecture (MLA), Postgraduate

Certificate in Education (PGCE), Clinical Medicine and Dentistry degrees are not eligible for the award.

15. Several 'Master's by Research' courses are not eligible for this award. These programmes are listed in the appendix, below.
16. The scholarship may be used in conjunction with other partial University of Manchester internal awards subject to the conditions of the other award scheme.
17. If the amount of combined University of Manchester scholarships exceeds the total cost of the tuition fees, the tuition fees will be covered in full, but no payment will be made to the awardee.
18. Awardees for the Great Scholarship Scheme will not also be eligible for the Global Futures Scholarships. In the event of being offered both awards the awardee must select one of the scholarships.
19. The award applies only to full-time courses of study delivered at The University of Manchester in the UK.
20. Awardees must seek approval from the International Office before making any changes to the programme of study, this includes course changes or any interruptions of study.
21. The scholarship cannot be used in conjunction with other internal full tuition awards such as the Equity and Merit programme and Women in STEM.
22. The award cannot be deferred to a later intake cycle.
23. Students may only submit one scholarship application even if they apply for multiple courses. Where students submit multiple scholarship applications only the first will be considered.
24. Successful candidates must be willing to work with the international recruitment team from time to time to serve as a student ambassador for the University during their period of study. This may entail attending physical or virtual presentations for prospective students, providing written or filmed testimonials for the University's website and acting as an advocate for the scholarship programme. It may also include the University's use of select identifying data (such as the scholarship recipients' names, home country, and courses of study) in the context of the above and related activities. The time commitment for ambassador activities should not typically exceed 8 hrs per semester.
25. We will pass your details to our Alumni Office who may contact you following graduation.

NB. For visa purposes, under UK Visas and Immigration regulations you must be able to demonstrate that you can pay the remainder of your tuition fees as well your living costs. Awarding timeline Process. We will notify all successful applicants by 31 May 2024.

#### **Appendix 1. Excluded MRes Courses**

Applicants for the following Master's by Research courses will not be eligible for the Global Futures Scholarships.

- MSc by Research in Physics
- MSc by Research Physics
- MSc by Research in Astronomy and Astrophysics
- MSc by Research Chemistry
- MSc by Research Earth Science

- MSc by Research Atmospheric Sciences
- MSc by Research Environmental Geochemistry and Geomicrobiology
- MSc by Research Palaeontology
- MSc by Research Composite Materials
- MSc by Research Corrosion and Protection
- MSc by Research Metallic Materials
- MSc by Research Textile Design, Fashion & Management
- MSc by Research Condensed Matter Physics
- MSc Research Soft Matter & Liquid Crystals Physics
- MSc by Research Nuclear Physics
- MSc by Research Particle Physics
- MSc by Research Fluids and Soft Matter Physics
- MSc by Research Chemical Engineering
- MSc by Research Catalysis and Porous Materials
- MSc by Research Materials
- MSc by Research Fashion Management and Marketing
- MSc by Research Nano and Functional Materials
- MSc by Research Environmental Science
- MSc by Research Textiles and Apparel
- MSc by Research Ecology and Evolution

### **Profile of a GREAT Scholar**

GREAT scholars must:

- be a citizen of Bangladesh, Ghana, Mexico, Nigeria or Greece;
- be motivated and academically able to follow and benefit from a UK postgraduate taught course;
- meet the English language requirement of the UK University;
- be willing to embody the UK higher education experience, by attending lectures and tutorials and engaging with extra-curricular activities, and act as an ambassador for UK higher education, by promoting the value of studying at a UK University;
- be willing to establish an engagement with the UK as a scholar, through personal and academic fulfilment;
- represent the high standards of the GREAT brand by becoming an advocate for scholarships;
- be willing to attend a networking event of all UK-based GREAT scholars, to discuss experiences and capture perceptions of studying in the UK;
- be willing to demonstrate future contribution to capacity-building and socio-economic advancement through the benefits achieved after graduating from UK higher education;
- be willing to maintain contact with the British Council and act as an ambassador for the GREAT Scholarships, by sharing experiences of studying in the UK with future GREAT scholars;
- as an alumnus or alumna of the GREAT Scholarships, be willing occasionally to speak to potential candidates about their own experience of studying in the UK.

The University of Manchester is strongly committed to promoting equality and diversity, including the Athena SWAN charter for gender equality in higher education. For further details see: <https://www.manchester.ac.uk/connect/jobs/equality-diversity-inclusion/> . All awards will be made on merit taking into account the University's strategic PGT teaching priorities.