

Information and Next Steps for Online Equity & Merit Scholars

Internet Grant

You'll note that your scholarship includes a grant of up to GBP379 towards the costs of internet access. We know the costs of accessing the internet in Africa are high and that this has caused some problems for past Equity & Merit students particularly those working in rural areas that don't have a reliable connection. The grant is therefore intended to help you get online, e.g. buy a modem. The grant is a one-off payment to cover the duration of study.

If you would like to claim this grant, then please email me as soon as possible with details of how you intend to use it, so we can consider your request for approval. The grant is payable against a proforma invoice or receipt so please also provide one of these.

Bank Details

We will need your bank details to send this payment to you. *Please provide a letter from your bank on their headed paper with your account details,* which <u>must</u> include:

- Bank Name & full address
- Full Name of account holder/payee (you)
- Account holder/payee full address as registered with bank (the address you provided the bank)
- Account Number
- SWIFT number, IBAN number (if available) and Routing Number
- Sort Code (if available)
- Currency of account (must accept payments in GBP or USD)

Please upload requested documents to our secure **Dropbox** folder and not via email attachment.

Once we have this information, we will make a payment direct to your bank account.

Introductions

If you agree, I will share your email with the rest of the selected scholars in your cohort so that you can get to know each other. I will also share your contact details with our current students so they can get in touch to offer advice and support on your journey. *Please confirm that you are happy for me to share your details.*

Please read <u>this message</u> from one of our past online E&M scholars and UoM Alumni, Rose Nakame, she has some wonderful insights.