

## The University of Manchester Global Futures Scholarship Eligibility and Application Criteria – 2026 awards

### North America– Undergraduate Scholarships

**Award Value: £10,000 per year for up to 3 years (subject to attainment of 60% average in each year)**

### Eligibility

Eligibility will be based on meeting the following criteria:

1. Applicants will only be considered for these awards if they are domiciled in Canada or the United States of America (USA). To be considered as domiciled Canada or the USA you must have predominantly resided in either country during the last three years.
2. We consider your permanent country of residence to be the country in which you are ordinarily resident, not a country where you are only living for the purpose of full-time education. Therefore, this award is not open to non-US/Canada students living in Canada or the US solely for the purpose of study.
3. Eligibility is based on domicile as defined above rather than nationality.
4. Awardees will be selected based on academic merit but that we will endeavour to achieve a balance by gender, domicile and qualification type. We may also give greater credit to applicants for courses of study where students from this region are underrepresented.
5. The awards are only open to candidates applying for direct Year 1 Entry and who have, or are working towards, one of the following qualifications:
  - Advanced Placement (AP) Exams
  - Dual Enrolment classes
  - High School Diploma
  - IB Diploma
  - A Levels
6. Applications for the scholarship should be submitted on the dedicated online form by **5 March 2026**.
7. A link to the online application form will be emailed to relevant offer holders. We cannot accept late applications under any circumstances.
8. Applicants who apply before the UCAS Equal Consideration Deadline (14 January 2026) will be able to apply immediately once they receive an offer of admission and from 15 January 2026 if they do not hold an offer of admission yet.
9. Applicants who apply after the UCAS Equal Consideration Deadline (14 January 2026) must be holding an offer before they apply for the scholarship. Applications where the academic application was made after the UCAS deadline and without an offer will not be considered.

10. Applicants must have indicated Manchester as their Firm UCAS choice by 25 May 2026. Otherwise, any awarded scholarship may be retracted and reallocated.
11. Applicants for Medicine (MBChB), Dentistry (BDS), Architecture or any courses with an integrated foundation year are not eligible for the award.
12. Students do not need their final results in order to apply for a Global Futures Scholarship, however pending qualifications should be listed on the academic and scholarship applications.
13. Where an applicant has not yet received their results at the point of making a scholarship application, academic merit will be assessed based on predicted grades from their school and results of any previous tests or examinations.
14. Should an applicant be offered a Global Futures award and then fail to meet the academic offer conditions for course originally applied for, the scholarship offer will be retracted.
15. In addition to meeting the course offer conditions you must also satisfy certain minimum grades to be eligible for the scheme, comprised of one or a combination of the following:
  - AP Exam: 5,5,5
  - AP Classes: AAA
  - Dual Enrolment Classes: AAA
  - A Level: AAA
  - IB: 36 Points including 6 6 6 in HL subjects
16. The decision of the selection panel is final, and appeals will not be considered.
17. Applicants must meet the specific course offer grade requirements as well as the above minima.
18. Students taking Dual Enrolment, AP, or IB must have satisfied all academic and non-academic offer conditions of their course including English language by 15 July 2026.
19. Students taking A Level must have satisfied all academic and non-academic offer conditions of their course including English language by 13 August 2026.
20. Applicants must be classified as 'international' for tuition fee purposes.
21. Applicants must be self-funded (i.e. not sponsored by an external government agency or commercial funder). Federal and Provincial student loan recipients are eligible to apply for this award.
22. The scholarship cannot be used in conjunction with any other University of Manchester awards.
23. 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.
24. 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.
25. The award is for courses starting in September 2026 and cannot be deferred (i.e. postponed to a later intake cycle).
26. The award applies only to full-time courses of study delivered at The University of Manchester's campus in Manchester, England; applicants for blended and distance learning programmes are not eligible for the award.

27. Applicants who have previously studied at a higher education institution in the UK are not eligible for the award.
28. Applicants must complete all sections of the application form. Incomplete forms will not be considered in the selection process.
29. 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.
30. Where a student has applied unsuccessfully for MBCHB or Dentistry but then is subsequently made an offer for a different course, the student will be eligible to apply for an award.
31. The award is granted for up to three years dependent on achieving overall marks of at least 60% in exams each year.
32. Exam boards at the University of Manchester take mitigating circumstances into account. Scholarships will be awarded to students who achieve a final year average of 60% or higher at the final exam board (usually in early September). In most cases, results from the June exam board will be used to confirm eligibility and apply the award in early August.
33. Where students register for a course with a Year in Industry, the award will be applied to Years One, Two, and Four. The continuation of the award to Year Four will depend on performance in Year Two.
34. Successful candidates will be expected 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 to help inform prospective students about study at Manchester. This may involve such activities as: attending physical or virtual presentations for prospective students; providing written or filmed testimonials/ vlogs and blogs for the University's website; or serving as an advocate to help promote 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 hours per semester.
35. Your name and contact details may be shared with Division of Development and Alumni Relations and they 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 of the outcome of their award by 17 April, 2026.