

Brunel Medical School International Scholarship Terms and Conditions 2022/23

Brunel Medical School (BMS) is pleased to offer 5 prestigious scholarships for international students. The scholarship scheme is for overseas fee-paying applicants only and the awards will be based on merit.

1. Award details

Value: £6,000 tuition fee waiver, per year. Each scholarship has a total value of £30,000 across the duration of the course, subject to satisfactory progress. The scholarship award will be deducted from tuition fees; it will not be awarded as cash.

Scholarship candidates will be placed into two groups:

Group 1 – Those who sit the Multiple Mini Interview (MMI) in 2021 (2 scholarships awarded)

Group 2 – Those who sit the Multiple Mini Interview (MMI) in 2022 (3 scholarships awarded).

1.1 Selection process:

Step 1

- The Brunel Medical School Scholarship Application Panel (SAP) will rank all candidates based on their Virtual Multiple Mini Interview (vMMI) score.
- The top-ranked candidates will be invited to a scholarship interview.

Step 2

- The scholarship interview (held online) will involve a short presentation and discussion with the SAP.

The SAP will be chaired by the BMS Academic Head of Admissions and joined by at least one other senior BMS staff member and a non-Brunel participant.

1.2 Award schedule

The scholarships will be awarded over two periods:

- 1) 2 scholarships will be provisionally awarded in June/July 2021 following the 2021 Multiple Mini Interviews.
- 2) 3 scholarships will be provisionally awarded in February/March 2022 following the first round of 2022 Multiple Mini Interviews. If the admissions cycle is expected to continue into the summer, 2 scholarships will be awarded by March, and a final scholarship will be awarded by July 2022.

Awards will be finalised once all offer conditions have been met.

1.3 Ambassadors: Scholarship holders will be expected to represent the Brunel Medical School as ambassadors throughout their time at the University and to participate occasionally in various activities to help promote the School. This might include hosting tours of the campus and its facilities, providing support at Open Days, participating in social media, videos/photography and other marketing activity as required. Our ambassadors are expected to lead the organisation of student social events and the formation of our inaugural Medical Student Society.

1.4 Data: Data pertaining to bursary/scholarship holders such as: progression rates, degree attainment, degree completion, and graduate outcomes may also be analysed in order to understand the effectiveness of bursaries and scholarships. This data may also be linked to other data already held by the University for the purpose of better understanding the impact of bursaries and scholarships.

2. Eligibility

2.1 To be eligible for a Brunel Medical School International Scholarship an applicant must:

- Apply for and fulfil the academic [criteria](#) for admission to the Brunel Medical MBBS programme.
- Be in receipt of an offer to study on the full-time MBBS programme starting in September 2022.
- Applicants must meet all conditions of their offer by the time they are due to register at Brunel.
- Must be classed as an overseas fee-paying student based on the UK regulations. Applicants who are unsure of their fee status should note Brunel uses the information they have provided in their application form to assess fee status against regulations set by the UK government. For information on these regulations please visit the independent organisation [UKCISA's website](#).

Please note -

- Those who are studying in a Foundation college – e.g. Brunel Pathway College – can apply for a Brunel Medical School International Scholarship.
- Those who need to undertake an English Language course at Brunel Language Centre prior to starting the MBBS can apply for a Brunel Medical School International Scholarship.

2.2 Those not eligible for these Scholarships:

- Applicants NOT classed as overseas for fees purposes based on the UK government regulations, or those with an unresolved fee status.
- Applicants sponsored by their home governments.
- Applicants who will NOT commence their course in September 2022.
- Brunel graduates awarded the 15% Graduate Discount applied to the net tuition fee.

The Brunel Medical School Admissions team will be responsible for reviewing the eligibility of students.

3. Allocation

- 3.1 Applicants who meet the eligibility criteria at the time of allocation will be considered for scholarships using the information provided at the time of their course application only and cannot be considered should their circumstances change during the course of their studies. Scholarships cannot be backdated.
- 3.2 Applicants will be shortlisted on the basis of their MMI score. Shortlisted applicants will then be assessed using the following criteria – presentation and interview.
- 3.3 In the event that there are applicants with equal MMI scores, comments by MMI assessors, applicants' academic grades, personal statement and references may be considered in determining who will be shortlisted.
- 3.4 Scholarships will be awarded by the SAP and all decisions are final.
- 3.5 The University will not accept any appeals in respect of the decisions made by the Panel.
- 3.6 Scholarships will be officially awarded once all conditions have been met.

4. Conditions of fee waiver

- 4.1 Scholarships are awarded for September 2022/23 entry only and cannot be deferred to later months or years of entry. Course applicants who intend to defer their studies must re-apply for a scholarship in the year they will begin their studies.
- 4.2 Scholarship recipients will be responsible for paying the remainder of their tuition fees after the scholarship contribution is deducted from the total fees for each academic year.
- 4.3 The scholarship does not replace the deposit of £10,000. All scholarship recipients will need to pay the £10,000 deposit for their course in order to receive an unconditional offer and a Confirmation of Acceptance of Studies (CAS). The amount of their scholarship will be deducted from the remaining fees.
- 4.4 The fee waiver will only be made providing the student is fully enrolled at the University on the Brunel Medical MBBS programme, which includes having had their qualifications and other documentation verified and checked, and then completing the University enrolment procedures. This includes holding the correct visa to study.
- 4.5 Payment in subsequent years will only be made providing the student progresses to the next level of study [scholarship payments will not be made during a repeating year until the student has satisfactorily progressed to the next level].
- 4.6 Scholarship holders are expected to perform well in their studies, and to uphold a high level of professionalism and integrity. Scholarships may be withdrawn if students fail to meet the above expectations.
- 4.7 Brunel fee waiver and discount conditions
 - 1) Holders of the BMS International Scholarship cannot be awarded the 10% Brunel Family Discount applied to net tuition fee.
 - 2) Those who are eligible for the 15% Graduate Discount applied to the net tuition fee cannot be awarded the BMS International Scholarship.
 - 3) Holders of the BMS International Scholarship can receive the 2% Early Payment Discount applied to the net tuition fee.

Further information about tuition fee discounts can be found in the [Student Financial Policy](#).

Discounts will be deducted from the tuition fees remaining after the scholarship discount has been applied at enrolment.

- 4.8 Where a scholarship award spans more than one year, students will be advised in writing to confirm ongoing eligibility to receive their scholarship award.

- 4.9 Scholarship recipients who have already paid the full course fees can visit the Student Centre to request a refund of any overpayment, once they have met all conditions of their offer and enrolled onto their main course in person.
- 4.10 Scholarship awardees will not be entitled to any cash equivalent.

5. Withdrawal of scholarship

- 5.1 **Academic performance:** The scholarship is subject to satisfactory academic progress.
- 5.2 **Professional behaviour:** All scholarship students are ambassadors of the University and are expected to adhere to all Brunel rules and regulations over the duration of study. The University reserves the right to terminate a scholarship award if a student's behaviour does not meet the professional standards required of a Brunel medical student in accordance with the [GMC requirements](#). The University's regulations on [misconduct](#) apply to all students registered with the University or registered for a qualification offered by the University. All scholarship recipients are expected to fulfil the role of the School Ambassador as set out above.
- 5.3 **Misleading information:** The University reserves the right to withdraw a scholarship from anyone who is found to have misled the University about any aspect of their eligibility and to seek repayment of any monies already paid by appropriate means.
- 5.4 **Changing course:** If a student transfers to a course outside the Brunel Medical School MBBS, the scholarship will be withdrawn.
- 5.5 **Amendment of Fee Waivers:** Fee waivers are applied at the start of the academic year as part/all of a scholarship entitlement and will not be amended once the fee waiver has been processed. Any tuition fee liability remaining after fee waivers are applied would therefore be calculated in accordance with the [Student Financial Policy](#).
- 5.6 **Abeyance/Temporary Withdrawal:** Scholarship fee waivers are received at each level of the course. A student who takes a period of temporary withdrawal (abeyance) and who is in receipt of a scholarship award would not receive the scholarship payment whilst temporarily withdrawn. A scholarship payment made prior to temporarily withdrawing will not generally be requested to be repaid and a remaining payment would generally be paid once the student returns to complete that level of study.
- 5.7 **Suspension of Study:** Should a student be suspended for any reason, scholarship payments would be withdrawn and consideration of reinstatement will be dependent on the disciplinary outcome.
- 5.8 **Repeat/Extended Study:** Repeat periods of study, and periods of temporary withdrawal that result in extended periods of study, are not supported by additional scholarship payments. Scholarship entitlement is for the maximum duration of each award and entitlement is not extended if overall course duration alters.
- 5.9 **Withdrawal from Study:** A student who withdraws from their programme prior to completion and who is in receipt of a scholarship award will not normally be requested to repay scholarship payments made up to the point of withdrawal; however, entitlement to all future scholarship payments and/or adjustments, cease immediately a student withdraws.

Any queries relating to these terms and conditions should be addressed to medicine.admissions@brunel.ac.uk

Visit <https://www.brunel.ac.uk/scholarships> for further information on all the international scholarships available.

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