

The Bernardine Evaristo Scholarship

Terms and Conditions 2021/22

1. Scholarship Details

The Department of Arts and Humanities are proud to offer a scholarship funded by Professor Bernardine Evaristo, for Home fee paying applicants registering on the part time MA Creative Writing course starting in September 2021/2 at Brunel University London. This scholarship aims to provide funding for applicants who are from a Black or Asian ethnic group, who are currently under-represented in publishing.

Value: 100% tuition fee waiver. The scholarship will only be paid once for each eligible level of study, subject to normal progression criteria having been met (additional payments will not be made during a repeating year, regardless of the reason for repetition).

How many: 1 scholarship is available for September 2021.

Application process: Applicants must complete the [application form](#) and submit a personal statement and a sample of writing in order to be considered. Brunel will assess each application for suitability against these scholarship terms and conditions. In assessing suitability, the applicant's personal statement, sample of writing and overall course application will be considered.

Qualifying work should be emailed to scholarships@brunel.ac.uk further guidance can be found on the scholarship application form.

Deadline: A full application must be submitted by midnight on 2nd July 2021, this includes a completed scholarship application and submission of the personal statement and example of writing. Incomplete application will not be considered.

Scholarship holders may be expected to represent Brunel as ambassadors throughout their time at the University and to participate occasionally in various activities to help promote the University. Activities might involve representing the programme at internal and external marketing and recruitment events, providing testimonials and/or other initiatives as appropriate. Scholarship winners will be contacted by the College or Marketing team as and when participation is required.

Data pertaining to 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 on under-represented groups. To learn more about how the University uses data to support its commitment to delivering positive outcomes to students from under-represented groups please visit our webpage.

2. Eligibility

To be eligible for the Evaristo scholarship an applicant must meet all of the following criteria:

- Apply for and fulfil the entry criteria for admissions to the Part Time [MA Creative Writing](#) course at Brunel University London.
- Be in receipt of an offer to study on the above programme starting in September 2021.
- Offer must be 'Unconditional Firm' (UF) by the date the Scholarship Allocation Panel make their scholarship award (i.e. applicants must have meet all offer conditions and firmly accepted the place).
- Must commence the course in the upcoming academic year September 2021 (applicants for deferred entry will be considered for a scholarship in the year they start their course and not in the year of their course application).
- Have been assessed as a Home fee payer for fee purposes based on the [UK government 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](#).
- Must have submitted a completed [application](#) by the deadline, midnight on Friday 02 July 2021. **Late applications will not be considered.**

The scholarship will be awarded to those who meet the eligibility criteria at the time of allocation.

2.2 Those not eligible for the scholarship :

- Applicants holding an offer on a full time MA Creative Writing Course, or any other programme other than part time MA Creative Writing.
- Applicants classed as Overseas or Channel Islands/Isle of Man for fee purposes (based on the UK government regulations), or with an unresolved fee status. For 2021 entry, European fee payers who are not eligible for home fees under the UK government regulations will not be eligible.
- Applicants entering a course with Brunel Pathway College (BPC) or who are progressing to a Brunel course from a BPC course.
- Applicants who will not commence their course in the upcoming academic year – applicants holding offers for deferred entry will not be considered for a scholarship in the year they start their course and not in the year of their course application.

2.3 Eligibility Definitions

Black and Asian	Those whose ethnicity is defined as Black or Asian, further information relating to ethnicity codes can be found here .
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2.4 Proof of Eligibility

Black and Asian	To evidence ethnicity data will be collected from the scholarship application form and verified against the personal data recorded after course registration.
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3. Allocation

3.1 Eligibility criteria are reviewed annually.

3.2 Applicants who meet the eligibility criteria at the time of allocation will be considered for the award 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.

3.3 Only one scholarship/ can be paid to any one student in any one year with the exception of the Postgraduate Care Leaver Bursary and the Postgraduate Academic Excellence Scholarship.

3.4 The decision of the scholarship allocation panel is final. The University will not accept any appeals in respect of the decision made by the Panel.

3.5 Scholarships will be allocated provisionally throughout the year and formally awarded in August for the September 2021/2 intake.

4. Conditions of fee waiver

4.1 Scholarships are awarded for the September entry of the academic year 2021/22 and cannot be deferred to later months or years of entry. Course applicants who intend to defer their studies will lose any award they have been made and must re-apply for the award in the year they will begin their studies.

4.2 Awardees will be responsible for paying the remainder of their tuition fees after the scholarship contribution is deducted from the total fees for the academic year.

4.3 The 100% tuition fee waiver will only be applied provided the student is fully enrolled at the University on the part time MA Creative Writing course, which includes having had their qualifications and other documentation verified and checked, and then completed the University enrolment procedures.

4.4 The 100% tuition fee will be waived each year of the part time course up to a maximum of two years only. Should a student repeat the year or extend their period of study, they will not be supported by additional scholarship payments.

The order of discounts will be applied as follows:

1. Scholarship fee waiver applied to the full annual tuition fee (if applicable);
2. 10% Brunel Family Discount applied to the net tuition fee (if applicable);
3. 15% Graduate discount applied to the net tuition fee (if applicable);
4. 2% Prompt payment discount applied to the net tuition fee (if applicable).

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

5. Withdrawal of a Scholarship

5.1 **Misleading information:** The University reserves the right to withdraw an award 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.

5.2 **Mode of Attendance Change:** If a student changes to a different mode of study, their eligibility for a scholarship will be reviewed. The award will be withdrawn if the change is from a part time MA Creative Writing course to full time MA Creative Writing course.

5.3 **Deferred entry:** If a student defers entry the award will be withdrawn. Applicants for deferred entry will not be considered for a scholarship and must apply in the year they start their course and not in the year of their course application.

5.4 **Changing course:** If a student transfers to a course outside the part time MA Creative Writing course, 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 usually 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:** In the case of withdrawal or abeyance the tuition fee waiver is calculated in accordance with the [Student Financial Policy](#).

5.7 **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 fee waivers. Scholarship entitlement is for the maximum duration of each scholarship and entitlement is not extended if overall course duration alters.

5.8 **Withdrawal from Study:** A student who withdraws from their programme prior to completion and who is in receipt of an scholarship will not normally be requested to repay scholarship payments made up to the point of withdrawal; however, entitlement to all future scholarship payments cease immediately a student withdraws.

5.9 **Withdrawal due to poor attendance:** If a scholarship is withdrawn due to non-engagement, the fee waiver will be withdrawn without further notice and the student will be liable for the full course tuition fee.

Any queries relating to these terms and conditions should be addressed to the Admissions Office by emailing: scholarships@brunel.ac.uk