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Introduction

Guidance notes are to help you complete the application form for the UWE Bristol Sanctuary Scholarship. Please read these notes fully before completing the online application form.

Before making an application for a UG Sanctuary Scholarship please ensure that you fully understand and meet the eligibility criteria for the scholarship as outlined in the Terms and Conditions.

If you have any questions about whether or not you should apply for an award, please contact EDIprojects@uwe.ac.uk

Eligibility

The UWE Bristol Sanctuary Scholarship is open to new undergraduate students taking up a place of study at UWE Bristol, who have UK Asylum status or Discretionary/Limited Leave to Remain as a result of an Asylum application, and those with Humanitarian Protection (as a result of an asylum application) **who do not meet the residency requirements to access UK loans for their studies.**

If you have refugee status, humanitarian protection or have been granted leave under the Ukraine Schemes, and are eligible for UK student finance, you are not eligible for the Sanctuary Scholarship. You will be offered the same means-tested support we offer to other financially vulnerable groups through UWE Cares, including the [UWE Cares Enhanced Bursary](#). You can find more information about this on the [UWE Cares website](#), and should not complete the Sanctuary Scholarship application.

Application Form

There are **6 sections** to complete in the application form. Please complete each section. Please note that the information you provide in the form will be held and processed in accordance with our [Data Protection Policy](#). Please note that the application form has been designed to assess your eligibility and suitability for the UWE Bristol Sanctuary Scholarship. You are not required to provide personal information about your reasons for coming to the UK/seeking asylum.

Section 1: Personal Details

Please complete the personal information section of the form. We need this information to contact you about your application. Please ensure that you put your name as you would want to see it on, for example, a certificate, with your first name(s) in one box and your last name in the other.

Section 2: Your Offer

This section requests information about your application to study at UWE Bristol.

Section 3: Educational History

This section requests information about the course you have applied for, your educational history and whether you have faced any interruptions to study.

Section 4: Your Residency Status

This section is about your immigration status and whether you meet the eligibility criteria for the scholarship. Please note that the information we ask in this section will only be used to determine whether you are eligible for the scholarship in relation to your current immigration status in the UK. We do not need you to provide details on the circumstances that led you to the UK. Please note that you will need to evidence your current immigration status with documentation such as a Biometric Residence Permit, Home Office letters or a solicitor's letter. If you are unsure about your current immigration status, please speak to your solicitor or to your family members if you are listed as a dependent on a family member's immigration application.

Section 5: Personal Statement

This section assesses your suitability for the Sanctuary Scholarship. This section is divided into 5 questions. Please provide a detailed response to each question and ensure that in your answers you have included all relevant information. There is a limit of 300 words for your response to each question.

Before starting the application form, we recommend that you write your answers in a word document (or similar) and then copy them into the online form.

1. Why do you want to study your chosen course?
Provide evidence which shows your interest and commitment to your subject. Is there anything in particular about the course at UWE Bristol that interests you?
2. What has been your proudest personal or academic achievement so far?
Provide examples that show wider learning activities such as volunteering, work experience or research, particularly if linked to your study or career ambitions.
3. What are your ambitions for the future? And how will the UWE Bristol Sanctuary Scholarship help you to achieve your ambitions?
Describe how your course will help you to progress to a career, or other personal ambitions you would like to achieve.
4. Details of any financial support you currently receive.
5. Any additional support you feel you may need to succeed at University.

The selection panel will only take into account information that you have provided in this application form. The panel will be looking for specific examples and evidence which relate to your own personal experience and ambitions.

Section 6: Declaration

Please select the boxes to confirm that you have understood the process and that you have given accurate information on your application form.

Application Outcome

Please note that this is a competitive process and not all applications will be successful. Applications will be considered by a panel of staff from different university departments, who will make the final decision on the award of the scholarships. The [Sanctuary Scholarship website](#) will show the date when we aim to notify decisions.