

### Awards General Terms and Conditions

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The following terms and conditions apply to all University of St Andrews scholarships, prizes, bursaries, and awards (collectively "Awards"). Please note that individual Awards may have additional terms and conditions; if so, these specific terms and conditions will be clearly stated within the Award information and highlighted to the Award applicant as part of the application process.

#### Collection and use of personal data

The University will collect and process your personal data to manage Award applications and funds where an Award is made. This could include passing personal data to Award sponsors or their equivalent only to manage and monitor an Award as required by the funding conditions. The University will also monitor Award applications to comply with financial regulations and may carry out assessments for equality purposes.

#### To be awarded, a student must:

- Meet all conditions attached to their academic offer, plus any other conditions attached to the Award.
- Matriculate/register on their academic programme by the official start date. Awards cannot be deferred to a later date without a prior written agreement.
- Provide any necessary documentary evidence in the format required upon application or upon request by the scholarships team.
- Accept the terms and conditions of the individual Award.

#### To receive and continue to receive payments, a student must:

- Be fully matriculated at the University of St Andrews.
- Meet and continue to meet the required eligibility criteria for the Award.
- Provide and maintain up-to-date bank details for maintenance payments if the Award includes maintenance.
- Progress academically on their course. If the student fails to do this, the Award may be withdrawn.
- Not hold any outstanding debt to the University from previous academic years.

#### It is the Award recipient's responsibility to:

- Inform the <u>Scholarships Team</u> immediately of any academic changes in circumstances including leave of absence, withdrawal or change in conditions stipulated in the Award letter. Failure to do so or delay in doing so may lead to the requirement to repay part or all of any Award already received. Changes in circumstances that mean a student no longer meets the eligibility criteria for an Award may result in the termination of the Award.
- Inform the <u>Scholarships Team and follow the Parental leave for</u> <u>Postgraduate research students</u> policy if guidance on parental leave is required.
- Inform the <u>Scholarships Team</u> immediately of any change in their personal circumstances such as changes in financial status, which may result in them no longer being eligible for this Award.

- Inform the <u>Scholarships Team</u> immediately if they are awarded any other external Awards or external funding.
- Be aware of the University of St Andrews <u>Terms and Conditions</u> and any relevant external body Terms and Conditions. The University can provide guidance where any conflict may occur.

#### An Award may be withdrawn for any of the following reasons:

- Where a student has breached the terms of his/her tuition fee payment agreement or Award.
- Where the student has an outstanding debt to the University.
- Where a student becomes subject to disciplinary process.
- If the University becomes aware of any additional information not provided at the time of application affecting eligibility, the Award may be withdrawn, and there may be a requirement to repay part or all of any Award already received.
- If a student receiving an Award ceases to be fully matriculated/registered.
- When scholarship eligibility has been affected by a change of programme e.g. if a student decides to switch from one academic subject to another during the course of their degree programme and the Award does not apply to the new programme. Similarly, other changes of circumstances (e.g. placements, fieldwork and leaves of absence) may affect eligibility. Advice should be sought prior to a change in circumstance.
- If a student does not meet the University conditions on satisfactory attendance, engagement or academic progress. In this case Awards may be terminated and there may be a requirement to repay part or all of any Award already received
- If, after all reasonable steps have been taken, the student's bank details have not been received or are inaccurate, the student's eligibility for that bursary and/or scholarship Award for that academic year is rescinded.

#### Limitation of Liability

- Nothing in these terms and conditions shall limit or exclude the University's or the Award applicant's liability for:
  - death or personal injury caused by its negligence, or the negligence of its personnel, agents or subcontractors;
  - o fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation;
  - any other liability which cannot be limited or excluded by applicable law.

Subject to the above bullet point wording, neither the University nor the Award applicant shall have any liability to the other party, whether in contract, delict (including negligence), breach of statutory duty, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss arising under or in connection with these terms and conditions, including (but not limited to) any loss arising from the withdrawal of an Award.

# There is an annual cut-off date for unpaid/unclaimed Awards for the preceding academic year — this is currently set at 30 October. After this date, save for the

case of exceptional circumstances,\* student eligibility for an Award for the preceding academic year will be rescinded.

Information on Tuition Fees may be found at: <u>http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/students/money/fees/</u>.

## Guidance from HMRC on scholarship income may be found at: https://www.gov.uk/hmrc-internal-manuals/employment-income-manual/eim06225.

\*Exceptional circumstance claims must be made in writing by the student to the Academic Registrar, explaining the circumstances which have led to the student failing to carry out the required action that has prevented the University from calculating and/or paying the Award. The final deadline each year for the submission of claims for such exceptional circumstances is 31 January.

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