

## UCEN Manchester Bursary Award Application 24.25

We understand during your studies, you may benefit from additional financial support. The UCEN Manchester Bursary has four key elements.

Element One: - Bursary Award £500

- This is only eligible students who meet specific criteria related to our Access and Participation Plan to widen access to higher education.

Element Two: - Cost of Living Award £500

- Available to any student who is facing short term financial difficulties.
- It should not be used to cover day to day living expenses or ongoing debts.
- Instead, our Future U Student Services Team will direct you to external agencies who can help you find a longer-term solution.

Element Three: - Removing Barriers Award £300

- Only for students with disabilities and who need financial support with costs of assessment and additional equipment not covered by the Disabled Student Allowance (DSA).

Element Four: - Progression to UCEN HE Award £250

- Only for students who have progressed directly from a L3 course from The Manchester College.

Depending on your circumstances, you may be eligible for all four elements.

Guidance Notes:

\*The Asterisk means it is a required field and your application will be returned if not completed.

You should return your application to [FutureUfinance@ucenmanchester.ac.uk](mailto:FutureUfinance@ucenmanchester.ac.uk)

Once received, you will be invited to a 30-minute meeting to discuss your application with a member of the Future U Team. Please bring any bank statements or other information which will help support your application.

Any monies allocated will be paid into your bank account by LTE Group.

You do not have to pay these monies back.

1.What is your student number? \*

2.What is your first name? \*

3.What is your family name? \*

4.What is your student email address? (This is how we will communicate with you) \*

#### Your Course

5.What is the title of your course at UCEN Manchester? \*

6.Which UCEN Manchester campus are you studying at? \*

7.What is your year of study at UCEN Manchester? \*

- 1st Year
- 2nd Year
- 3rd Year

## Element 1: Widening Access to Higher Education

The answers to the following questions will allow us to assess your eligibility to receive the bursary which is in line with our Access and Participation Plan which is our commitment to widening access to higher education to students who would not traditionally participate in degree level study.

As well as being able to select at least ONE of the statements below, you need to: -

- Be enrolled on a full-time programme of study (or at least 60 credits if part-time) to apply.
- Be a home student.
- Be in receipt of your full financial entitlement from Student Finance England.
- Have attendance above 85% (mitigating circumstances will be considered)
- Have a household income below £30,000 per annum.

8. Please select the option or options that best describe your living situation: \*

- Care Experienced
- Claiming benefits in the last six months
- Have young children and still receiving benefits
- First in family to attend university
- Disabled
- Young Carer
- Identify as LGBT+
- Muslim
- Estranged from parents
- Progressed from UCEN Manchester or The Manchester College Level 3 courses in previous academic year.

9. What is your household income? \*

10. What is your current attendance? You can find this on the Student Hub.

Please provide any mitigating circumstances if this is below 85%.

## Element 2: Application for Cost-of-Living Award

We understand that the current cost of living crisis has impacted on our students' ability to manage financially. Unfortunately, we only have a maximum allocation of £500 per application per academic year to help with this. Your answers to the following questions will help us make a fair assessment and ensure that hardship monies are directed to students who need it the most.

11. Please explain in detail your financial situation and why you need the additional monies at this time? \*

### Element 3: Removing Barriers Award

The Government's Disabled Students Allowance (DSA) is intended to help you pay for extra costs related to your disability, learning difference, mental health conditions and/or health conditions which may impact on your studies. If you have applied for Disabled Students Allowance, you may need to contribute £300 towards the cost of any computer equipment that is provided for you. You will only be entitled to this Award if your confirmation of funding letter indicates the purchase of a computer/laptop. 12. Please tick your reason for applying for the Removing Barriers Award:

- Payment toward computer equipment
- Payment toward assessment costs

### Element 4: Progression to UCEN Manchester Higher Education Award

This award is only available to students who have progressed directly from a L3 course studied at The Manchester College.

13. What course did you study with The Manchester College?

Bank Details (to be completed at interview)

Once your application has been assessed, we will pay the awards directly into your bank account. You should note that this will be paid in by the LTE Group and not UCEN Manchester. Please complete the following information: -

14. Sort Code: - the value must be a number \*

15. Bank Account Number - the value must be a number \*