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# **Bournemouth University** **Scholarships Policy** **POSTGRADUATE TAUGHT (PGT)**

**Academic year intake 2020/21**

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## Notes

with the exception of noted appendices which contain potentially sensitive information relating to BU's internal business processes.

Scholarships offered to incoming students are reviewed on a regular basis and the University reserves the right to review, amend, and introduce new award4C41.92 ret.d awaryjervs cholarships.

Changes to scholarship provision, eligibility criteria, amount or any other major or minor details will be communicated to any affected applicants or potentially eligible students

A minor version of this document will be published to take account of any changes to our provision, the terms, conditions & eligibility.

## BU SCHOLARSHIPS POLICY 2020/21: Postgraduate

### 1. Scope and Purpose

- 1.1 Bournemouth University (BU) offers a range of postgraduate taught scholarships in order to reward achievement. Details of the scholarship benefits, eligibility to apply and deadline for applications are listed in Section 6 of this document.
- 1.2 The overarching purpose of offering scholarships is to attract talented students to BU by lowering or removing the f

1.8 Ownership of scholarships is outlined below:

Service Owner	Director of Marketing & Communications (M&C)
Institutional approval	Fees Group
Policy & process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scholarship framework</li> <li>• Market research</li> <li>• Promotion and communication</li> <li>• Scholarship communications to successful applicants as part of confirmation process</li> <li>• Policy and operational documentation</li> </ul>	M&C  Scholarships Implementation Group (SIG)
Financial <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial modelling</li> <li>• Fund build in SITS</li> </ul>	Finance & Performance (F&P)
Analysis and evaluation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assessment of award impact</li> </ul>	PRIME Market Research team (M&C)
Operations/administration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Processing applications and forwarding to faculties for assessments</li> <li>• Confirmation of awards (internal and external)</li> <li>• Application to award overview</li> <li>• Inputting successful scholars to student record system</li> </ul>	International Admissions Team  International Recruitment

## 2. Overview of Postgraduate Taught 2020/21 Scholarship provision

Full details and application forms for applicants at: [www.bournemouth.ac.uk/pg-scholarships](http://www.bournemouth.ac.uk/pg-scholarships)

Ref	Scholarship Award	Entry	Fee region	Value	Number of awards	Assessment Criteria	Deadline	Funding	System-assessed or by application
6.1.1	Postgraduate Academic Scholarship	Sept Jan	UK/EU	£1,500 (tuition fee reduction)	Unlimited	Grades on entry – 2i or above (or equivalent)	See section 3.10 below	Central	Assessed upon receipt of eligible results

6.6	BU Chevening Partner Scholarship (Joint scholarship)	Sept	Non-EU	Full fee waiver and stipend	Two	Full-time applicants for MSc Cyber Security & Human Factors and MA International Political Communication who are a citizen of a Chevening-eligible country at the time of application	August each year for the following Sep entry	FCO and BU	By application - external
6.7	SURE Conference Scholarship	Sept Jan	UK/EU Non-EU (SURE conference attendees)	Full fee waiver	One	Prize for student progressing to MSC level		Faculty (as relevant)	By application and consideration
6.8	BU Sport Scholarship	Sept Jan	UK/EU/ Non-EU	£500-5,000 and/or a range of in-kind services & support	Various – see Section 6	High performing sports people with the desire to continue to develop	31 August (Sept entry) 30 November (Jan entry)	Student Services	Assessed by awarding panel based on performance, level, trials and personal statement.





Value of award:           1) UK/EU: £1,500 fee reduction  
                                  2) Non-EU: £3,500 fee reduction

\*\*Non-UK qualifications will be assessed against the UK equivalency using BU International Qualifications database. Details can be obtained from the International Admissions Team at [internati](#)







Must have achieved the minimum Chevening English language requirement (minimum IELTS (Academic) 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component) or equivalent.  
Must have completed at least two years' work experience before applying.

Value of award: Chevening Scholarships are funded by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) and partner organisations. A full Chevening Scholarship includes tuition fees, travel to and from home country, an arrival allowance, the cost of an entry clearance (visa) application, a grant for thesis or dissertation, an excess baggage allowance, and a monthly personal living allowance.

Partner organisation, in this instance Bournemouth University, is liable for 20% of the tuition fee with the FCO paying 80%.

Deadline and eligibility for inclusion:

Candidates who are shortlisted are interviewed by the British Embassy or High Commission in their home country.

The deadlines are country specific, but the application window is usually August each year for September entry in the following year. Full details can be obtained: [www.chevening.org/apply/guidance](http://www.chevening.org/apply/guidance)

The contacts for Chevening Scholarship are as below:

Contact at FCO:

Sylvia Ibezi  
Programme Officer  
Chevening Scholarship Secretariat  
Woburn House

Must be a citizen of a Chevening-eligible country at the time of application and intend to return there at the end of the period of study.

Hold an Undergraduate degree that is equivalent to at least an upper-second class honours degree in the UK.

Must have achieved the minimum Chevening English language requirement (minimum IELTS (Academic) 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component) or equivalent.



Whether they are in a regional squad or above and competing at that level (Team Sport athletes).

#### Scholarship renewal

Where relevant, and in order for a scholarship to be renewed, students will be expected to detail and/or confirm the following to the Sport Performance Manager:

- That they are a BU student and completing a minimum of 60 credits per year. When on placement year, students cannot be awarded any financial scholarship but could access in-kind provision services
- That students will continue to meet your sporting profile of the original application and maintain all responsibilities or have demonstrated in previous seasons
- Students will attend a meeting with the Sports Performance Manager before the end of October (September starter) February (January starter) to identify/clarify development goals and performance aims and how the scholarship package will assist the season
- Evidence of attendance at least 75% of sport specific training sessions and what improvements have been made in previous season
- Evidence of attendance at least 85% of strength and conditioning sessions and what improvements have been made in previous season
- Attendance at the pre-season Strength & Conditioning sessions
- Details of training and performance programme between May to September
- Details of training and performance programme whilst on placement.

Value of award: A range of Sports Scholarships packages may be awarded which can comprise financial support and/or in-kind provision services (SportBU) as detailed below:

- Cash awards range from up to £5000
- Free Gym membership
- Strength & Conditioning coaching
- Sports massage
- Chiropractic treatment
- Performance workshops (nutrition, anti-doping, performance mind sets, media training etc)
- Lifestyle sport
- Access to Game Ready Machine

Deadline and eligibility for inclusion:

- i. The deadline for applications is 31 August (September entrants) or 30 November (January entrants).
- ii. Awards and award values are likely to reflect the key priority sports areas for BU. Full details can be found in Appendix 4.
- iii. The award and continued eligibility for the BU Sports Scholarship are on the condition that the student adheres to the terms and conditions of the scholarship agreement.
- iv. Scholarships will be paid for the first year of study and may be continued for subsequent years of study (excluding placement year) providing students continue to meet the criteria and complete a satisfactory renewal form.

#### 6.9. Music Scholarships

Mode of Attendance: Full-time

Place of Attendance: BU campus

Fee Category:	UK/EU/Overseas (Non-EU)
Level of Study:	Postgraduate (Taught Master's) including CPE and LPC, and Master's by Research (MRes).
Criteria:	<p>Students must be able to demonstrate that they are a talented instrumentalist or vocalist, and have been involved in ensemble activity.</p> <p>To be considered for the award, students will need to have reached at least Grade 8 of the Associated Board, Trinity or LCM in their main instrument/voice. Additionally, as applicants should have an academic grounding in music and have passed A-level (C or above) or Grade 8 theory.</p> <p>Students must also demonstrate how they wish to develop musically, as well as academically. It is expected that scholars will work towards higher level musical qualifications.</p>
Value of award:	Music scholars receive free tuition and other benefits in kind, such as examination fees and assistance with buying music. This amounts to approximately £600 per year for September 2020 and January 2021 entry

#### Deadline and eligibility for inclusion

The deadline for applications is 31 August (September entrants) or 30 November (January entrants). Subject to available funds, the deadline may be extended and publicised through the scholarship webpages. Students who are shortlisted may be invited to an audition. All music scholars are expected to attend weekly lessons with one of the University's specialist tutors

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## 9. Budgets

- 9.1 Funding for awards is approved by Faculty and central budgets.
- 9.2 Financial control measures assume the regular checking of a 'random' sample of automatically assessed awards on a monthly basis. Competitive (by application) scholarships will be approved by default on receipt of the award shortlist and selection of the successful recipient(s).

## 10. Disclaimer

- 10.1 Scholarships will be reviewed on a regular basis and the University reserves the right to review, amend, and introduce new awards and to cease the award of scholarships at any time. A revised (minor) version of this document will be published to take account of any changes to our provision, the terms, conditions & eligibility.
  - 10.2 To ensure compliance with Competition & Markets Authority guidance in relation to the accuracy of information, the only permitted changes to online and printed information are through the Scholarships Implementation Group and from a major or minor version of this Policy & Process document. All changes will be approved by the Director of M&C as Service Owner.
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## Appendix 3 – BU Priority Sports

American Football  
Archery  
Athletics & Cross Country  
Badminton  
Basketball  
Boxing  
Cricket  
Cycling  
Equestrian  
Fencing  
Football  
Futsal  
Golf (FOCUS SPORT)  
Gymnastics  
Hockey  
Ju Jitsu  
Judo  
Karate  
Lacrosse  
Modern Biathlon/Pentathlon  
Netball  
Rowing  
Rugby Union  
Sailing  
Snooker  
Snowsports  
Squash  
Surfing  
Swimming  
Table Tennis  
Tennis  
Trampoline  
Triathlon  
Ultimate Frisbee  
Volleyball (FOCUS SPORT)  
Water Polo  
Windsurfing



## 1 Terms of the agreement

This Sporting Scholarship Agreement must be read in conjunction with the Student Agreement to which you are bound by virtue of your enrolment on a course at The University. The terms of this Sporting Scholarship Agreement apply to you in addition to the terms of your Student Agreement, and in the event of conflict between the two agreements, the terms of the Student Agreement shall take precedence.

In consideration of the Sporting Scholarship received, you agree to the following terms:

- 1.1 to maintain a strong engagement with all aspects of your academic pathway and form good relationships with lecturers and course leaders. You must demonstrate a commitment towards studying at the University through attendance at timetabled course sessions and adherence to agreed course deadlines;
- 1.2 to demonstrate excellence in your chosen sport and be part of a Regional, National and/or International squad and compete at this level (individual athletes will also need to be competitive with top performers within the BUCS programme);
- 1.3 to attend, so far as is reasonably possible, preseason training which would start in the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> week of September;
- 1.4 to maintain your current performance level in training and competition and to challenge and aspire to continue developing to achieve long term goals or be able to demonstrate the potential to compete at these levels, as well as working towards agreed performance targets;
- 1.5 to continue to meet the sporting profile outlined in your original application and maintain all responsibilities;
- 1.6 to commit to, support, promote and participate fully in at least 75% of sport specific training sessions run by SportBU;
- 1.7 to commit to, support, promote and participate fully in at least 85% of strength and conditioning sessions run by SportBU;
- 1.8 to meet regularly (but, as a minimum, twice) throughout the season with the Sport Development Manager to carry out a needs analysis and establish a plan (weekly & annual) for the season and to show the desire to continue to develop in the sporting arena in all aspects of technical, tactical, physical, mental and lifestyle elements of your sport by completing a Sports Scholar Profile Template shared via Dropbox (weekly plan, annual plan, long term plan, development goals, performance aims, & finances);
- 1.9 to always portray the University & SportBU in a positive light and wear the SportBU or University Sports Scholarship kit (as applicable) at all competitions, when representing the University, at photo opportunities and at any other appropriate opportunities, or as directed by the Sport Development Manager;
- 1.10 to attend the initial scholarship welcome evening and other workshops provided by Sport BU throughout the season;
- 1.11 to represent the University in BUCS domestic championships for your sporting discipline and represent English Universities and/or British Universities when selected, unless National/International duties, University exams, injury or other extenuating circumstances (as notified to the Sport Development Manager) prevent this;
- 1.12 to be actively involved in your sport club at the University and to be an ambassador and role model to fellow athletes;
- 1.13 to be available for a minimum of three promotional events during their scholarship year that could include any of the following: Patrons welcome evening, open days, fresher fairs, press opportunities, interviews, sports specific recruitment events;

- 1.14 to update the Sport Development Manager with progress and achievements throughout the year and be willing to write blogs and/or vlogs prior/during/post events/competitions they are participating in to help with personal promotion and to raise the profile of the sporting provision at the University;
- 1.15 to abide by the rules of your sport and the code of conduct/ethics that has been agreed for or recognised by your National Governing Body (NGB);
- 1.16 to adhere to your NGB's anti-doping policies and regulations in addition to complying with the requirements of the WADA code.

## 2 Scholarships Benefits

The Sporting Scholarship package can be made up of any of the following and will be confirmed in writing to the individual.

- 2.1 Cash contribution of between £500 and £5000
- 2.2 Free SportBU gym membership
- 2.3 Strength and conditioning coaching & training
- 2.4 Sport related workshops
- 2.5 Personal lifestyle support from the Sport Development Manager
- 2.6 Specialist support services that can include by arrangement
  - 2.6.1 Chiropractic treatment
  - 2.6.2 Sports massage
  - 2.6.3 Physiology
  - 2.6.4 Nutrition
  - 2.6.5 Sport specific analysis

## 3 Monitoring and Evaluation

- 3.1 You must meet a minimum of twice during the Term with the Sport Development Manger to establish and maintain performance aims and developments goals.
- 3.2 You should be monitoring and evaluating your own performance on a regular basis and should consult with your coach for any clarifications and additional support.
- 3.3 You must complete the Sports Scholar Profile Document shared in the dropbox system to help evaluate progression, weekly timetables and annual plans.
- 3.4 The Strength & Conditioning register will be used to recognise attendance at additional support services.

## 4 Termination and Suspension

- 4.1 For the avoidance of doubt, the Sporting Scholarship will cease immediately in the event of you ceasing to be a student of Bournemouth University for whatever reason.
- 4.2 The University shall have the right (at its sole discretion) to amend, suspend or withdraw the award at any time in the event of material breach by you of the terms of either your Student Agreement or this Sporting Scholarship Agreement or if you (in the reasonable opinion of the Head of Sport Development) bring the University, SportBU, the Students' Union, your sport or any University official partners into disrepute.
- 4.3 If the financial element of any Sporting Scholarship provided to you is not (in the reasonable opinion of the University) used to aid your personal sporting performance and for what is considered to be personal benefit, the University shall be entitled to suspend or withdraw the that financial element with immediate effect.

- 4.4 The Sporting Scholarship awards are reviewed annually and therefore you must submit a new application each year to be considered for further scholarships. There is no guarantee of the same amount, or any amount, of Sporting Scholarship being awarded in any subsequent years of University study.
- 4.5 Notwithstanding anything else in this Clause 4, any alteration of the level of award will be decided via periodic review and will be at the discretion of the Sport Development Manager. In addition, the University shall have the right (in its sole discretion, but acting reasonably) to recover from you the whole amount (or any part thereof) of the financial element of any Sporting Scholarship already paid to you at the time of termination or suspension of the Sporting Scholarship.
- 5 Media Consent Form
- 5.1 You acknowledge that it is a condition of receiving a Sporting Scholarship that your consent is provided as detailed below.
- 5.2 Subject always to the University's compliance with the Data Protection Act 1998 and any other applicable data protection legislation in force from time to time:
- 5.2.1 You hereby consents to the use of any photographic image, video recording, audio recording or quote of you obtained whilst carrying out your duties as a Sports Scholar (collectively referred to as "Images") by employees of the University or by agents authorised on behalf of the University.
- 5.2.2 You also consent to the University releasing Images to any relevant NGB, BUCS, Sport England Talented Athlete Scholarship Scheme and selected local clubs and organisations for marketing and publicity purposes.
- 5.2.3 You acknowledge that Images will be stored in an online image bank at the University and could be used for marketing and publicity purposes by the University in publications including but not limited to, the University's prospectuses, annual report/review, newsletters, course literature, advertisements, social media and websites.

#### Sports Scholar Declaration

I ..... accept the Sporting Scholarship award for the Term.

I agree to adhere to all of the terms and conditions outlined above. Furthermore, I understand that if I do not adhere to the agreed terms and conditions the award may be withdrawn.

Signed..... Date .....

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## Appendix 6 – Exemplar Music Scholarship Agreement – Music scholarship recipients

### BU Music Scholarships 2020-21

Dear Music Scholar,

Congratulations on the award of your music scholarship for the coming year and I hope that you will enjoy all the opportunities that we have available for you.

Your scholarship is awarded on the condition that you make an ongoing commitment to your personal musical development and to the musical life of the university. To comply with these conditions, you must:

- Take weekly 30 minute instrumental lessons (25 lessons per annum) with one of the University's tutors. You can, of course, extend these to 1 hour lessons if you wish and the additional fees will be deducted from your scholarship fund. Any exam entry fees and accompaniment costs will also be deducted from your scholarship fund at source.
- In consultation with the Head of Music agree to participate in at least one ensemble from the following list and attend rehearsals and concerts regularly. You may, of course, attend more than one ensemble.
  - Chamber Choir
  - Orchestra
  - Big Band
- Perform in at least 5 major university concerts / recitals each year.
- Show evidence of progress on your main instrument/voice. For example, in year 1 you will be expected to have made significant progress towards achieving a first diploma from one of the recognised conservatoires.

{Details of scholarship provided here}

Please be aware that your scholarship will be withdrawn if you fail to adhere to the conditions under which it was awarded. All funding is reviewed annually. To re-qualify for funds in the next academic year you will be asked to submit a written report giving details of your progress within the previous year and listing your contribution to BU Music. Your instrumental teacher will also be asked to supply a progress report.

If you have any further questions please call at the music office, telephone 01202 965018 or e-mail me.

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