

Student Success Scholarship 2020/21

Sheffield Hallam University is investing over £3million in the Student Success Scholarship in 2020/21.

The Student Success Scholarship is open to full and part-time UK domiciled students who are recognised as having home fee status by Student Finance England/Wales/Northern Ireland or Student Awards Agency Scotland and who meet the eligibility criteria.

To determine if you are eligible for a financial award the University will look at your [household income](#) and will then assess the number of other priority groups you're within. Your household income is determined by your student funding body and is calculated by looking at the total income of your household minus certain allowances for things such as other financially dependent children that may rely on you or your parents/guardians/sponsors.

Please note that from 2020/21 students in receipt of the new NHS training grant are not eligible for the Student Success Scholarship.

Our priority groups are

- Students studying a high cost course, please see Annex 1 from page 7 for a list of eligible courses
- Students with caring responsibilities
- Students who are estranged
- Care leavers
- BAME students
- Student parents
- Students with a disability
- Transgender students, inclusive of non-binary genders
- Students who have refugee status
- Final year students

Determining Eligibility

Please use this table to determine if you might be eligible to apply for a financial award

Household Income	Number of priority groups the student falls within	Eligible?
£0-£42,875	0-10	Yes
£42,876-£62,143	1-10	Yes
£42,876-£62,143	0	No
Greater than £62,143	N/A	No

Household Income

To be assessed for the scholarship students and their families must share their household income with Student Finance England/Wales/Northern Ireland or Student Awards Agency Scotland. This is known as a [means tested assessment](#). In addition to having a means tested assessment **all** parties (students, parents, guardians, and any other sponsors) **must** have consented to share their income information with the University as part of the application process. These arrangements must be in place on or before the application deadline for the scholarship for applications to be considered.

If you cannot be means tested please let us know by contacting [Hallam Help](#).

Further Eligibility

To be able to apply for or receive an award you must also meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Be an undergraduate student who started at the University in 2017/18 onwards
- Be a full-time student, or a part-time student studying at a minimum of 25% intensity of the equivalent full-time course
- Be paying the university's 2020-21 tuition fee of £9,250 (or in receipt of a tuition fee loan to cover this amount). For part-time students, this amount will have been reduced in line with your studies

Student who are not eligible

Students in the following categories are **not** eligible for the scholarship:

- Students who are paying tuition fees of £9,000
- Students who are receiving a PGCE/Initial Teacher Training Bursary
- Student who are receiving an [NHS Training Grant](#)
- Postgraduate students (except PGCE students who are not in receipt of a Teacher Training Bursary)
- Part-time students who are studying at less than 25% intensity of the equivalent full-time course
- Students whose fees are paid in whole or part through sponsorship (for example by their employer)
- Students who are not recognised as having Home status by Student Finance England/Wales/Northern Ireland or Student Awards Agency Scotland
- Students who have withdrawn from their course, including breaks in study, and students who are excluded from their course

The University reserves the right to withhold payment of an award to an individual where there is a clear evidence trail that they would not gain a material benefit from receiving it.

Levels of award

Financial awards will typically range from £200 to £2,000. Most students will receive a smaller award, only students who are in several priority groups will be considered for the largest award of £2,000. Student can only receive the scholarship once during the academic year.

Part-time students will receive a proportion of the full-time student award based on their course intensity.

Although eligible students can apply every year, payments will be awarded based on the evidence provided at each separate application cycle and must be assessed each year against the total cohort of applications. Students who received a financial award in a previous year are not guaranteed to receive the same, or any, payment in 2020/21, even if their circumstances are the same.

Additional payments for Natural & Built Environment and Engineering students

Thanks to generous donations from AESSEAL and EUROPA a limited number of students studying in the Department of Natural & Built Environment and the Department of Engineering may be eligible to receive a small top-up to their Student Success Scholarship. Eligible students will be contacted directly and will be asked to submit a personal statement if they would like to apply for these extra funds. Applications can only be accepted during the first application period (September to November).

Applying for an additional payment does not affect entitlement to the main Student Success Scholarship. Payments are made on top of the Student Success Scholarship meaning that a student may receive more than the maximum of £2,000.

How to apply

All applications must be submitted by logging into My Student Record and clicking on the 'Scholarships' tab. Applications will be assessed according to the data held and the evidence supplied by the deadline date.

Application periods and payment dates

Academic year start date	Applications open	Applications close	Payment no later than
September 2020	7 September 2020	5pm on 30 October 2020	30 November 2020
September 2020	1 December 2020	5pm on 29 January 2021	28 February 2021
September 2020 or March 2021	15 March 2021	5pm on 31 May 2021	30 June 2021

Awards will be in the form of a bursary which will be paid into your nominated UK bank account in one instalment. We cannot make payments to overseas accounts or building society/savings accounts. Where a student does not provide their bank details by the relevant deadline payment will be delayed and the above payment dates will not apply. All applicants will be advised whether they have qualified for an award via their Hallam email address.

Unfortunately, due to the high number of applications for the scholarship we are unable to give individual feedback on the reasons for an unsuccessful application.

Table of criteria and evidence requirements

The following table outlines the priority groups and how we will evidence your inclusion in a priority group. The examples of how personal circumstances can be evidenced are illustrative and should not be read as exhaustive.

Criteria/Priority Group	Evidence Required	How Often
Household Income	You do not need to provide evidence of your household income in your application. The University will have access to this information if you have been means tested by your student funding body and all parties have given consent to share that information with the University	As your household income can change, you will need to be means tested and provide consent to share that information with the university each year that you apply for the scholarship

Criteria/Priority Group	Evidence Required	How Often
High Cost Course	No evidence is required, the University will check this information internally	N/A
Final Year Students	No evidence is required, the University will check this information internally	N/A
BAME Students	No evidence is required, the University will check this information internally	N/A
Student with Caring Responsibilities Someone providing support to a friend or family member due to an illness, disability, mental health, or addiction problem	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A letter confirming you provide care for a friend or family member from a relevant organisation or third party, such as a carers organisation, social services, teacher or college tutor, support worker, doctor, healthcare professional or other relevant support organisation or network ▪ Evidence that you are currently receiving Carers Allowance, this must be in your name ▪ Evidence that you are currently receiving Disability Living Allowance for a child in your care, this must be in your name 	As your circumstances can change, you will need to provide up-to-date evidence each year that you apply for the scholarship
Care Leaver Someone who has been in care for three or more months in the school years including and after year 10 and under 25 years old at the time of enrolment	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If you have already had your eligibility for SHUProgress or the Care Leavers Bursary confirmed, then evidence is not required, the University will check this information internally ▪ If you were not part of SHUProgress and have not previously received the Care Leavers Bursary, we will require a letter confirming that you are a Care Leaver from your local authority 	You will only need to provide this evidence once when you first apply for the scholarship

Criteria/Priority Group	Evidence Required	How Often
<p>Student who is Estranged from their Family Someone who is irreconcilably estranged from their family and under 25 years old at the time of enrolment</p>	A letter from your student funding body confirming your independent status on the grounds of estrangement	As your circumstances can change, you will need to provide up-to-date evidence for each year that you apply for the scholarship
<p>Student Parent</p>	<p>One of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Evidence that you are receiving Child Tax Credits, Child Benefit, or equivalent Universal Credit from HMRC relating to the most recent (last or current) tax year ▪ Evidence that you are currently receiving Parents' Learning Allowance from your student funding body 	As your circumstances can change, you will need to provide up-to-date evidence for each year that you apply for the scholarship
<p>Student with a Disability Someone who has registered with the Disabled Student Support Team</p>	<p>No evidence is required, the University will check this information internally</p> <p>You do not need to be accessing support for your disability but you do need to be registered with the Disabled Student Support Team in order to meet this criteria</p>	N/A
<p>Transgender Students Inclusive of non-binary genders</p>	There is no definitive list of evidence required for this priority group. Please provide any evidence or information you can. If you are unsure as to what to provide, please let us know by contacting Hallam Help	You will only need to provide this evidence once when you first apply for the scholarship
<p>Students who have Refugee Status</p>	You will need to provide a copy of your residence card. If you already have settled status as a refugee or a person with humanitarian protection, and that is not stated on the card/residence permit, you must provide a Home Office letter	As your circumstances can change, you will need to provide up-to-date evidence for each year that you apply for the scholarship

Appeals and general policy terms

For information about the appeals process and other general policy terms relating to all University bursaries see the [Bursary Guidelines](#).

Please note

Students may be asked to be involved in assessing the impact of the scheme. This may include, but is not limited to, completing surveys, attending focus groups, producing student case studies, being involved in promotional and marketing material for the University. This is optional and we will always ask you for your consent to use your personal data for any marketing or fundraising purposes in line with the [Student Privacy Notice](#) which can be viewed in full on our website.

Annex 1

List of high cost courses that qualify as a priority group for the 2020/21 Student Success Scholarship, courses on the list are subject to change.

BSc Hon Building Surveying
BSc Hon Construction Project Management
BSc Hon Quantity Surveying
BSc Hon Real Estate
BSc Hon Environmental Science
Ba Hon Human Geography
BSc Hon Geography
BSc Hon International Tourism Management
BSc Hon International Tourism Management with Foundation Year
Ba Hon Accounting and Finance
Ba Hon Accounting and Finance with Foundation Year
Ba Hon Forensic Accounting
Ba Hon Forensic Accounting with Foundation Year
BSc Hon Finance
BSc Hon Finance with Foundation Year
BSc Hon Banking and Finance
BSc Hon Banking and Finance with Foundation Year
BSc Hon Finance and Economics
BSc Hon Finance and Economics with Foundation Year
BSc Hon Finance and Investment
BSc Hon Finance and Investment with Foundation Year
BSc Hon Financial Technology
BSc Hon Financial Technology with Foundation Year
Ba Hon Fashion Design
Ba Hon Fashion Design with Foundation Year
Ba Hon Fashion Management and Communication
Ba Hon Fashion Management and Communication with Foundation Year
Ba Hon Fine Art
Ba Hon Fine Art with Foundation Year
Ba Hon Graphic Design (Advertising) (Motion) (Packaging) (User Experience Design)
Ba Hon Graphic Design with Foundation Year (Advertising) (Motion) (Packaging) (User Experience Design)

Ba Hon Illustration
Ba Hon Illustration with Foundation Year
Ba Hon Interior Architecture and Design
Ba Hon Interior Architecture and Design with Foundation Year
Ba Hon Jewellery, Materials & Design
Ba Hon Jewellery, Materials & Design with Foundation Year
Ba Hon Product Design
Ba Hon Product Design with Foundation Year
BSc Hon Product Design
BSc Hon Product Design with Foundation Year
Ba Hon Product Design: Furniture
Ba Hon Product Design: Furniture with Foundation Year
Ba Hon International Fashion Marketing (Top Up)
Ba Hon Photography
Ba Hon Photography with Foundation Year
BSc Hon Sport Coaching
BSc Hon Sport Coaching with Foundation Year
Ba Hon International Tourism Management with French
Ba Hon International Tourism Management with French With Foundation Year
Ba Hon International Tourism Management with German
Ba Hon International Tourism Management with German With Foundation Year
Ba Hon International Tourism Management with Spanish
Ba Hon International Tourism Management with Spanish With Foundation Year
Ba Hon Social Work
Ba Hon Working with Children, Young People & Families
FDA Working with Children, Young People & Families
Ba Hon Youth and Community Work
Ba Hon Languages with International Business (Fr)
Ba Hon Languages with International Business (Fr) With Foundation Year
Ba Hon Languages with International Business (Gr)
Ba Hon Languages with International Business (Gr) With Foundation Year
Ba Hon Languages with International Business (Spn)
Ba Hon Languages with International Business (Spn) With Foundation Year
Ba Hon Languages with Tesol (French)
Ba Hon Languages with Tesol (German)
Ba Hon Languages with Tesol (Spanish)
Ba Hon Languages with Tourism (French)
Ba Hon Languages with Tourism (French) With Foundation Year
Ba Hon Languages with Tourism (German)
Ba Hon Languages with Tourism (German) With Foundation Year
Ba Hon Languages with Tourism (Spanish)
Ba Hon Languages with Tourism (Spanish) With Foundation Year
Ba Hon International Business with French

Ba Hon International Business with French With Foundation Year
Ba Hon International Business with German
Ba Hon International Business with German With Foundation Year
Ba Hon International Business with Spanish
Ba Hon International Business with Spanish With Foundation Year
Ba Hon Sport Studies
Ba Hon Sport Studies with Foundation Year
BSc Hon Physical Activity, Sport and Health
BSc Hon Physical Activity, Sport and Health with Foundation Year
BSc Hon Physical Education and School Sport
BSc Hon Physical Education and School Sport with Foundation Year
BSc Hon Sport and Exercise Science
BSc Hon Sport and Exercise Technology
BSc Hon Sport and Exercise Technology with Foundation Year
BSc Hon Sport Business Management
BSc Hon Sport Business Management with Foundation Year
BSc Hon Sport Development with Coaching
BSc Hon Sport Development with Coaching with Foundation Year
BSc Hon International Sport Business Management
Foundation Year in Health, Sport and Social Care
BSc Hon Sport and Exercise Science with Foundation Year

Data sources: Sheffield Hallam University internal data and Student Loans Company course designation data.

Based on information available July 2020.