

## **OFS Artificial Intelligence and Data Science Scholarship 2024/25**

### **Terms and Conditions**

#### **What is the Artificial Intelligence and Data Science Scholarship?**

The University of East London (UEL) are offering a limited number of scholarships worth £10,000, under an OfS funded scholarship scheme, to successful applicants who accepted the "Conditional" or "Unconditional" full-time study offer letter for the MSc in AI and Data Science. This scholarship aims to support students from underrepresented groups.

1. Applicants will only be eligible to apply for an award if they meet all the following criteria:
  - Starting the MSc in AI and Data Science in September 2024 or January 2025
  - Studying full-time on campus
  - Fee assessed by our admissions team as a Home fee status
  - Students from the following underrepresented groups, with priority given to the first four groups. You must meet at least one of the below criteria below and are able to prove the same with supporting documents:
    - Female
    - Black
    - Disabled
    - Low-income background (Index of Multiple Disadvantage quintiles 1 and 2, low household income)
    - Care experienced.
    - Estranged
    - Gypsy, Roma and Traveller
    - Refugee
    - Children from military families, veterans, and partners of military personnel
2. Applicants who do not meet the above criteria are ineligible and will not be considered for an award.
3. Applicants with a previous STEM degree / equivalent are ineligible for this scholarship.

## **Application process**

4. An application form is available on our website. Decisions are based on the quality of the student's application and if they meet the eligibility criteria as stipulated. Applications will be assessed internally by a relevant member of staff. All decisions are final and awarded on a first come basis until funds are exhausted.
5. The University will notify successful applicants of the provisional outcome via email. Scholarships will only be confirmed once an unconditional offer is issued by our admissions team. All other communications will be sent by email.
6. There are a limited number of scholarships available. The University is under no obligation to award all scholarships, should the quality of the applications be insufficient and who do meet the eligibility criteria.
7. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.
8. Due to the large number of scholarship applications received annually, we are unable to offer individual feedback to unsuccessful applicants.

## **Payment details**

9. Successful applicants will receive a £10,000 scholarship, payable after the student has completed the full enrolment process at UEL. Payment will be made in three termly instalments (Nov 24, Feb 25, April 25), subject to students completing elements of their work as set by the course leader.
10. To receive the payment, students must upload their bank details to UEL Direct once they have enrolled.

## **General terms and conditions**

11. The scholarship is only valid for the normal duration of the course, it will not be renewed or extended beyond this term to cover repeat modules.
12. If an awarded student decides to change programmes, the student will not be entitled to keep the scholarship and no further payments will be made.

13. If an awarded student decides to withdraw, the scholarship will terminate at the date of withdrawal. The scholarship may be reversed.
14. The scholarship cannot be exchanged for an alternative award.
15. Once a period of study has commenced, should a scholarship holder suspend their studies through the proper channels, their scholarship is similarly suspended and will be recommenced on the resumption of studies. This can be held for a maximum of one year, starting from the date of their suspension.
16. If the student's status changes during their study, as a result of information not being provided at the point of application, and the student becomes ineligible, the University reserves the right to revoke the scholarship and claim back any fee waiver incorrectly made to the student.
17. If a student breaks the University regulations and is withdrawn from study, the scholarship will be immediately terminated, and no further support will be available. If the student returns to study at a later date, the scholarship will not be re-awarded.
18. If a student has an outstanding tuition fee debt to the university, further cash payments of the scholarship will be withheld until the student clears their tuition fee balance. Please contact the credit control at [creditcontrol@uel.ac.uk](mailto:creditcontrol@uel.ac.uk) to arrange a payment plan.
19. Students who are awarded a scholarship must commit to support the University with future promotion of UEL through ambassadorial works, and a minimum of 4 events, such as open days and open evenings. This will be the equivalent of ten hours unpaid work for the university. Successful students will also need to commit to a photo, testimonial profile and video testimonial promoting UEL as a minimum.
20. The University reserves the right to verify applications and request additional evidence.
21. A complaint is normally a specific concern related to a procedural error, irregularity, or maladministration in admissions procedures or policies. If you are dissatisfied with any aspect of the administration of your scholarship, please contact us in the first instance so that an informal resolution can be sought. This may be done in writing by emailing [studentfunding@uel.ac.uk](mailto:studentfunding@uel.ac.uk)

\*The UEL Fees Policy can be found on our website at [www.uel.ac.uk](http://www.uel.ac.uk)