



British Council scholarships for women in STEM



Are you a woman with a bachelor's degree in a STEM subject and passionate about your study? You could receive a scholarship to study for a master's degree in a science, technology, engineering or mathematics programme at a leading UK university.

For **the fourth year** running the British Council is launching our global Women in STEM scholarship programme in partnership with UK universities. This is the fourth year that the scholarship has been launched for **women from selected countries of South Asia**. We are looking for women with a STEM background who can demonstrate their need for financial support and who wish to inspire future generations of women to pursue careers in STEM.

Why a scholarship programme?

According to data from the UN Scientific Education and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), less than 30 per cent of the world's researchers are women and only 30 percent of female students select STEM-related fields in higher education.

Globally, female students' enrolment is particularly low in Information and Communications Technology (three per cent), natural science, mathematics and statistics (five per cent), and engineering, manufacturing and construction (eight per cent).

Educating, training, and hiring more women in STEM can lead to better scientific and financial outcomes, increasing diversity in the workforce, bringing variety in perspectives and ideas and giving organisations a competitive edge.

Eligibility criteria

** Full eligibility criteria are given in the attachment.*

We are looking for women who:

- can take up a course of study in the UK for the academic year from September/October 2024–2025.
- can demonstrate a need for financial support.
- have an undergraduate degree that will enable them to gain access onto one of the pre-selected postgraduate courses at a UK university (for master's level).
- can attain the level of English required for postgraduate study at a UK university.
- are active in the field with work experience or a proven interest in their subject area.
- are passionate about their course of study and are willing to engage as committed British Council scholarship alumni.

You are not eligible for a British Council Scholarships for Women in STEM if you:

- Hold dual British citizenship.
- Are an employee, a former employee, or relative (*) of an employee of His Majesty's Government (including British Embassies/High Commissions; the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy; Department for International Trade; the Ministry of Defence; and the Home Office).
- Are an employee, a former employee, or relative (*) of an employee of the British Council Scholarships for Women in STEM – eligible countries.

(*): *Relatives are defined as parents or stepparents, siblings or stepsiblings, children or stepchildren, spouse, civil partner or unmarried partner (where the couple have been in a relationship akin to marriage or civil partnership for at least two years).*

- Are currently in receipt of financial support or funding towards your study programme in the UK from any other source.
- Have previously studied in the UK with funding from a UK government-funded scholarship or a UK institutional scholarship/financial bursary.

What does the scholarship include?

In addition to the prestige of studying at a renowned UK university, the scholarship covers:

- Full tuition fees
- Living stipend
- Travel costs
- Visa and health coverage fees
- Refund of an IELTS English language test, if needed.

How to apply

- Applications should be made directly to the participating universities.
- Please click on the links below for your chosen institution.
- Please check the application requirements on each university website where you may also start your application.
- You can make more than one application, but you will need to apply through each institution separately.

Deadlines for applications for master's scholarships: *These vary depending on the institution. Please check the deadlines with your chosen institution carefully to avoid any disappointment.*

Please ensure you check and meet all the eligibility requirements before applying.

After applying, you will next hear directly from the university about the status of your application.

Available scholarships

Queen Mary University of London

MSc's: **Wolfson Institute for Population Health**

1. Creative Arts and Mental Health Global Public Health and Policy.
2. Public Mental Health

Barts Cancer Institute

3. Cancer and Clinical Oncology
4. Cancer and Molecular and Cellular Biology
5. Cancer and Molecular Pathology and Genomics
6. Cancer and Therapeutics
7. Cancer Genomics and Data Science
8. Clinical Drug Development.

William Harvey Research Institute

9. Genomic Medicine
10. Healthcare Research Methods

Blizard Institute

11. Biomedical Science (Medical Microbiology)
12. Neuroscience and Translational Medicine

Apply here - <https://www.qmul.ac.uk/scholarships/items/-british-council-women-in-stem-scholarships-1.html>

Anglia Ruskin University

- 1.MSc Electronic and Electrical Engineering
- 2.MSc Mechanical Engineering; Engineering Management
- 3.MSc Construction Project Management
- 4.MSc Construction and Civil Engineering Management

Apply here - <https://www.aru.ac.uk/student-life/preparing-for-university/help-with-finances/scholarships>

University of Greenwich

- 1.MSc Data Science and its Applications
- 2.MSc Big Data and Business Intelligence
- 3.MSc Computer and Information Systems
- 4.MSc Computer Science
- 5.MSc Data Science

- 6.MSc Management of Business Information Technology
- 7.MSc Food Innovation
- 8.MSc Food Safety and Quality Management
- 9.MSc Biotechnology
- 10.MSc Formulation Science
- 11.MSc Pharmaceutical Science
- 12.MSc Agriculture for Sustainable Development
- 13.MSc Global Environmental Change
- 14.MSc Natural Resources

Apply here - <https://www.gre.ac.uk/bursaries/british-council-scholarships-for-women-in-stem>

University of Southampton

- 1.MSc Data and Decision Analytics
- 2.MSc Actuarial Science
- 3.MSc Operational Research and Finance
- 4.MSc Statistics
- 5.MSc Operational Research

Apply here - <https://www.southampton.ac.uk/study/fees-funding/scholarships/partnerships-women-in-stem>

Coventry University

- 1.MRes in Computer Science
- 2.MRes in Intelligent Healthcare
- 3.MRes in Engineering

Apply here - <https://www.coventry.ac.uk/research/research-opportunities/research-students/research-degrees/british-council-scholarships-for-women-in-stem/>

For questions relating to your course of interest, please refer to the university in question.

If you have questions about the scholarships, please contact the British Council by emailing WomenInStem.Scholarships@britishcouncil.org . Should you be unable to locate the university's contact information, you may also email us.