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# Financial Support and Awards

Scholarships and bursaries for UK undergraduate applicants beginning their course in 2021

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# Introduction

Studying at university can be a transformative experience as you deepen your understanding of your chosen subject, make new discoveries and meet friends for life. For many students, it's also a time of learning to live independently and managing budgets.

At Aberystwyth, we understand the financial implications of higher education. Thanks to the generous support of our alumni and friends, we have been able to offer scholarships for over 125 years and we remain as committed as ever to supporting our students. That's why we've put together a generous package of awards which can help you with day to day living costs.

We don't restrict the number of awards you can receive - providing you meet the eligibility criteria, you can hold multiple awards. That

means you can combine a variety of awards to make your financial package more valuable.

We have a range of different scholarships and bursaries to cover all needs - and the good news is that, unlike a student loan, you don't have to pay this money back. There are academic excellence awards, bursaries to assist students from disadvantaged backgrounds, awards for sporting and musical ability, and incentives to study through the medium of Welsh.

Find out whether you could benefit from one or more of our awards. Read through the brochure for more information and get in touch if you have any questions.

**Professor Elizabeth Treasure**  
Vice-Chancellor



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# Entrance Examinations: Scholarships and Merit Awards

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We have a long history of offering Scholarships at Aberystwyth. The Entrance Examinations offer the following opportunities to benefit simply by sitting two exams.

## What are the Entrance Examinations?

Entrance Scholarships and Merit Awards are available to applicants studying any degree scheme at Aberystwyth. You will be required to sit **TWO** exams from the choice of subjects we offer. Each exam lasts for an hour and a half. The exams are set and marked by our academic departments, so they don't follow any particular syllabus, but they should be a similar standard to A level exams.

Please note that in 2021 the exams will be online.

### 1. Faculty Scholarships – £2,000 a year

We have 20 Faculty Scholarships available, which are worth £2,000 a year, as well as guaranteed accommodation in a University property for the duration of the course\*. See also no.4 below. Our academic faculties allocate these awards based on excellent performance in the Entrance Examinations.

### 2. University Scholarships – £1,000 a year

We have 50 University Scholarships to award to the candidates scoring the highest aggregate marks of both examination papers. Successful candidates receive £1,000 for each year of their course. University Scholarship holders also receive guaranteed accommodation in a University property throughout the length of their course\*. See also no.4 below.

### 3. Merit Awards – £1,000 in the first year

We offer approximately 250 Merit Awards each year to students who do well in the Entrance Examinations but narrowly miss out on attaining a Scholarship. Merit Award holders receive £1,000 during the first year of their course. See also no.4 below.

### 4. Unconditional offers

Strong performance in the Entrance Examinations can result in the University confirming your place without further conditions, resulting in an unconditional UCAS offer.

Candidates who do not receive an award may be given an unconditional offer on the basis of their strong performance in the Entrance Examinations.

\* In order to secure your guaranteed place in Residence, you must apply for accommodation for the following academic year within dates advertised by the Accommodation Office for returning students.

# Examination Subjects

Entrance Examinations must be taken in **TWO** of the following subjects. Unless otherwise indicated, the scope of the examination is similar to that of A levels, but does not follow any particular syllabus. It's important to ensure that the subjects you choose are relevant to the degree scheme you have applied for.

Please see the Scholarship web pages for information about the content of each paper, and to view past exam papers: [www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships/pastpapers](http://www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships/pastpapers)

- Accounting and Finance
- Agriculture and the Countryside
- Animal and Equine Science
- Art History
- Art – Portfolio
- Biology 1: Molecules to Organs
- Biology 2: Organisms to Ecosystems
- Business and Management
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Creative Writing (in English)
- Criminology
- Cymraeg (Iaith Fodern)
- Cymraeg (Iaith Gyntaf)
- Drama and Theatre Studies
- Economics
- Education and Childhood Studies
- English Literature
- Environmental Science
- Film and TV Studies
- French
- Geography (Human)
- Geography (Physical)
- Geology
- German
- History – the British Isles
- History – Europe and America
- Information Studies
- Information Technology
- Law
- Mathematics
- Mathematics: Further Mathematics
- Physics
- Politics
- Politics: International Politics
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Sport and Exercise Science
- Tourism

## Dates of Examinations

The online exams will be held during the week commencing **Monday, 24 May 2021** and will need to be taken at your school/college. Candidates will usually sit one paper during the morning session and the other during the afternoon session. The exam timetable is available on the website: [www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships/timetable](http://www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships/timetable) (if both of your subjects are timetabled for the same session you will sit one of the papers in the morning and the other paper in the afternoon).

## Which subjects should I choose?

In order to be considered for an award and/or an unconditional offer it is important to select exam papers which are acceptable to the Department(s) you have applied to study at. It is your responsibility to ensure you have selected appropriate subjects.

Please also see our website for details about the content of individual exam papers: [www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships/pastpapers](http://www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships/pastpapers)

If you are applying for a course which includes a foundation year and you're unsure about which subjects to choose, please email us: [scholarships@aber.ac.uk](mailto:scholarships@aber.ac.uk)

| Department/Subject  |  |
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| <b>Art</b>  | Applicants to degree schemes including Fine Art must submit a Portfolio of their art work as one of their Entrance Examinations (see <a href="http://www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships/artpf">www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships/artpf</a> ). Applicants to degree schemes including Art History must take the Art History paper in combination with any other subject. Applicants with both Fine Art and Art History in their degree scheme (for example BA Fine Art / Art History) must submit both the Fine Art portfolio and the Art History paper. |
| <b>Biological, Environmental &amp; Rural Sciences (IBERS)</b> | Applicants should select at least one exam paper which is directly related to the course they are applying for. If candidates are uncertain regarding choices, they can contact IBERS admissions on <a href="mailto:ibrstaff@aber.ac.uk">ibrstaff@aber.ac.uk</a> for guidance.   |
| <b>Business School</b>  | Although applicants to the Business School are encouraged to consider selecting the paper for the subject which they have applied to study, any subject combination is acceptable.   |
| <b>Computer Science</b>                                       | Candidates who have applied for a course that includes Computer Science must take at least one of the Computer Science or Information Technology papers.   |
| <b>Education</b>  | The exam paper is suitable both for candidates currently studying for a qualification in Education or Childhood and those who have an interest in the subject. Although applicants to the Department are encouraged to consider selecting this paper, any subject combination is acceptable.   |
| <b>English and Creative Writing</b>                           | Applicants to the Department of English and Creative Writing are expected to take one or both of the papers we offer: Creative Writing (in English) and English Literature. Although applicants are encouraged to take both papers they may choose to take one of these papers in combination with any other subject.  |
| <b>Geography and Earth Sciences</b>                           | Applicants applying to study Geography, Sociology, Earth or Environmental Sciences are expected to sit at least one exam offered by the department, including: Physical Geography, Human Geography, Geology, Environmental Science, Sociology.   |

| Department/Subject                          |  |
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| <b>History and Welsh History</b>            | Applicants to the Department of History and Welsh History are required to take at least one of the papers we offer: History - British Isles and History - Europe and America. Although applicants are encouraged to consider taking both papers they may choose to take one of these papers in combination with any other subject.                           |
| <b>Information Studies</b>                  | Although applicants to Information Studies are encouraged to select the Information Studies paper, any subject combination is acceptable.  |
| <b>International Politics</b>               | Applicants to the Department of International Politics are required to take at least one of the papers we offer: Politics and International Politics. Although applicants are encouraged to consider taking both papers they may choose to take one of these papers in combination with any other subject.   |
| <b>Law and Criminology</b>                  | Although applicants to the Department of Law and Criminology are encouraged to consider selecting the Law / Criminology papers, any subject combination is acceptable.   |
| <b>Mathematics</b>                          | Candidates who have applied for a course that includes mathematics* must take the Mathematics paper as one of their subject options.<br><br>*The courses that include mathematics are those listed at <a href="https://courses.aber.ac.uk/subject/mathematics">https://courses.aber.ac.uk/subject/mathematics</a>  |
| <b>Modern Languages</b>                     | If applicants are studying the modern language (French, German or Spanish) to A level standard they will be expected to select that language as one of their subject options.  |
| <b>Physics</b>                              | Scholarship applicants intending to study Physics must take the Physics paper as one of their options. If candidates are taking A level Mathematics they can choose any other subject for their second paper. However, candidates not taking A level Maths should choose Mathematics as their second paper.  |
| <b>Psychology</b>                           | Candidates who have applied to the Department of Psychology should take the Psychology paper as one of their options.  |
| <b>Sociology</b>                            | Applicants to Sociology are expected to sit the Sociology paper and any other paper of their choosing. We would recommend considering the papers in human geography and psychology.  |
| <b>Theatre, Film and Television Studies</b> | Any applicant for a single or joint honours course in Drama and Theatre Studies will be expected to take the Drama and Theatre Studies paper as one of their subject options. Any applicant for a single or joint honours course in Film and Television Studies will be expected to take the Film and Television exam paper as one of their subject options. |
| <b>Welsh and Celtic Studies</b>             | Applicants to study Welsh are encouraged to choose one of the two scholarship papers, either the Cymraeg Iaith Fodern paper for second language Welsh speakers, or the Cymraeg Iaith Gyntaf paper, in the case of first language Welsh speakers.   |

## How to Apply

- You can apply quickly and easily via the Application Form on our website. The closing date for applications is 7 May 2021 and late applications will not be considered.
- Due to the current uncertainty regarding external assessments because of Covid-19, we are allowing Exams Officers a 5 day slot during which to arrange the exams, starting from Monday, 24 May.
- You MUST obtain your Exams Officer's permission before submitting your application form to ensure they are able to make the necessary arrangements. We will need their email address in order to obtain confirmation, and to send exam instructions in due course.
- You will receive an email to confirm that we have received your application form. If you have not received an email three working days after submitting your form please get in touch with us. The email acknowledgement is proof that we have received your application, and any issues cannot be rectified after the closing date.

## Special Examination Arrangements

**Candidates who have specific examination requirements for their normal school examinations (e.g. extra time) must submit with their application an email from their school confirming their requirements.** Eligible candidates may be entitled to 25% extra time, and arrangements as per normal school examinations.

Please see our policy on making reasonable adjustments for applicants sitting the Entrance Examinations, which is on our website.

## Location of examinations:

Unfortunately we are unable to hold an exam centre in Aberystwyth in 2021. The exams will therefore need to be taken online at your UK school/college.

**Before submitting your application form** you must check that your Exams Officer is willing and able to make the necessary arrangements. We will need their name and email address as part of the application process.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to liaise with their Exams Officer **before** the day of the exams to ensure that appropriate arrangements have been made (regarding the exam room, invigilator etc.). Any errors notified to the University after the exams have been timetabled to take place cannot be rectified.

Applications outside of the UK will be considered on an individual basis. If international applicants do not attend an eligible school, there may be an option of sitting the exams at a British Council Office. Any such arrangements would be at the expense of the applicant, who would need to make all necessary arrangements directly with the British Council.

## Sitting the Exams

The exams will be online and you will need access to a school/college computer with Microsoft Word, internet connection, and Chrome (or Firefox) web browser in order to access and submit the exam papers. You, and your school/college, will be provided with full instructions. There are some exceptions:

- Mathematics and Further Mathematics which will need to be downloaded, completed on paper, scanned and emailed to us by your Exams Officer, and
- Physics, where the majority of the paper will be online, but you will also be provided with graph paper which will need to be scanned and submitted by email.



## Mature Applicants

We welcome applications from mature candidates but please note that you are not permitted to sit the exams if you have already been a student at any University for more than one semester and you will need to make suitable arrangements regarding a location to sit the exams.

## Deferred Entry

If you intend to defer your application to the University you can sit the exams and defer any award alongside your deferred entry to the University. Alternatively, you may prefer to sit the exams whilst you're on your year out.

**Please note** that although you must have applied to study at Aberystwyth University by the closing date of 18th January, you do not need to wait to receive an offer before you can apply to sit the Entrance Examinations.

## Results

Applicants and their Exams Officers will be notified of their results approximately 4-6 weeks after the exams have taken place. If you are offered a Scholarship or a Merit Award, you will need to place Aberystwyth as your Firm choice of University via UCAS in order to accept the award (see the Terms and Conditions on the website for the only exceptions).

## Shannon O'Donnell

Geography  
**Open Scholarship**  
Hayling Island, Hampshire



My teacher told me about the Entrance Examinations and my family were very proud when I received an award. I wanted to come to Aberystwyth anyway but it made me feel more secure and excited about my choice. I'm using the money for fieldtrips and academic books, so it's been a big help. My advice if you're thinking of applying would be that you may as well - believe in your abilities and it will increase your confidence - as well as looking good on your CV.

## Payment of Awards

We will ask you to enter your bank details onto your Student Record. Payments will be made direct to you via BACS in two equal instalments for each eligible year - the first payment will be at the end of the first week of December, and the second payment will be at the end of the first week of March. Merit Award payments are made during the first year only.

## Information for Schools and Colleges

Information about the exam arrangements and what is required of Exams Officers can be found on our website:

[www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships/schools](http://www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships/schools)

All instructions and materials for the examinations will be emailed to the nominated Examinations Officer approximately one week before the exams.

There is no charge associated with sitting the Entrance Examinations, but the University is unable to contribute to any invigilation or room booking costs which may be incurred. Normal exam arrangements apply.

## Benefactors

The provision of our Entrance Scholarships has been made possible by generous donations from a number of benefactors over the years. It is not necessary to apply for a specific Scholarship - if your exam results are sufficiently high we will award a suitable Scholarship to you. However, you should let us know if you are the son of a Nonconformist Minister and therefore eligible for consideration for the David Morgan Thomas of Caterham Memorial Scholarship.

[www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships/donors](http://www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships/donors)

Please see the website for full Terms and Conditions relating to the Entrance Examinations:  
[www.aber.ac.uk/entrance-merit](http://www.aber.ac.uk/entrance-merit)

## Edward Forbes

Plant Biology  
**Faculty Entrance Scholarship**  
Crowthorne, Berkshire



I found that the scholarship and bursary provision at Aberystwyth was much better than the other universities I was looking at. The main attraction of the Entrance Exams for me was the financial support and guarantee of 3 years in student accommodation. It was easy to apply and I did some of the past papers which are online for practice. I'm using the money to help towards my day to day living costs. Receiving the Scholarship has improved my confidence and may help future employment prospects, so it was very worthwhile.

# Academic Excellence Scholarships

£2,000

In order to reward academic excellence achieved prior to beginning at the University, we are pleased to offer Academic Excellence Scholarships worth £2,000 in the first year of study to applicants from the UK who place Aberystwyth University as their Firm choice through UCAS, before the UCAS deadline, and go on to achieve at least:

- Grades AAA at A level\*
- DDD in the BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma
- 34 points in the International Baccalaureate
- Additional (single) qualifications equivalent to 144 UCAS tariff points may be considered

There is no need to apply, awards will automatically be allocated to eligible students.

\* Grade A in the Welsh Baccalaureate Advanced Diploma, to include the Advanced Skills Challenge Certificate, may be accepted in lieu of one of the A level grades.

## Joe Kirkwood

International Politics and Military History  
**Academic Excellence Scholarship**  
Ledbury, Herefordshire

I didn't even have to apply for the Scholarship, I just received a letter telling me I had been awarded it based on my BTEC results. It felt amazing that my achievements had been recognised and rewarded. The money has given me extra security and I'm keeping it to one side for when I need it.

# Margaret Evelyn "Lynne" Williams Bursary

£500

A Bursary of £500 in the first year for up to two applicants to the Department of Welsh and Celtic Studies. Applicants must have attended secondary school in Ceredigion, Carmarthen or Swansea.

Full details and the online application form can be found online:  
[www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships](http://www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships)

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## Aberystwyth School of Veterinary Science Bursaries up to £2,400

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Applicants to the Veterinary Science (BVSc) course follow a specific path for accessing bursaries. We are pleased to offer the following:

- Means-tested Bursaries, based on a household income assessment.
- Achievement Bursaries – for students who demonstrate they can achieve academically while also showing leadership and service outside the academic environment
- Vision Bursaries – for students who are high achievers and who can articulate a clear vision for solving challenges facing the veterinary profession in Wales.
- Vet Start Bursaries - open to applicants who received their secondary education in Wales

- Welsh Medium Study Bursaries - for students studying 5 or more credits through the medium of Welsh
- Bilingual EMS Bursaries - for students who undertake at least 6 weeks of work placement in a Welsh or bilingual Welsh/English environment

Students are encouraged to apply for as many bursaries as they wish but the university reserves the right to prioritise applications from students who were previously unsuccessful.

Students enrolled on the Veterinary Science (BVSc) course also have access to the full range of services offered by our Student Support and Careers Service, including the Hardship Fund.

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## Emily Price Scholarship £500

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This Scholarship has been established by the family and friends of former student, Emily Price, to reward female applicants to Mathematics or Physics courses (including joint honours Mathematics/Physics) at Aberystwyth. The successful candidate will demonstrate academic promise and a passion for increasing the involvement of women in mathematics and/or Physics. The Scholarship will be payable during the first year of study.

Candidates must apply for an eligible course by 15 January 2021 and hold Aberystwyth as their Firm choice of university. They must also complete and submit the Emily Price Scholarship application form by 31 January 2021 and may be required to attend a short interview to discuss their application during an Applicant Visiting Day in February or March 2021.

Full details can be found at:  
[www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships](http://www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships)

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## Departmental Awards

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**A number of our academic departments offer Departmental Awards, which can be held in addition to many of our other awards. Details of how to apply can be obtained directly from the relevant department.**

### Department of Computer Science Departmental Scholarships to pursue studies in Computer Science

Single Honours: £500 per year  
Joint Honours: £250 per year

Up to three scholarships are available to students who achieve excellent grades in the Entrance Examinations or achieve excellent (A\*) grades in their A levels or equivalent. The level of the award is £500 per year for the duration of your degree scheme (three or four years) giving a total award of up to £7,500 (if including a Faculty Entrance Scholarship).

The award is retained providing an exam average of 70% or above is achieved each year. Joint honours students are eligible for £250 per year.

For further details contact the Department of Computer Science: [cs-admissions@aber.ac.uk](mailto:cs-admissions@aber.ac.uk)

### Department of Mathematics Departmental Scholarships to pursue studies in Mathematics

Single Honours: £500 per year  
Major subject of Major/Minor: £500 per year  
Joint Honours: £250 per year

To qualify, an applicant must be either in receipt of a University Entrance Scholarship in Mathematics, or achieve grade A\* in A Level Mathematics. The level of the award is £500 per year for single honours and major-minor students (with the major in mathematics), and £250 per year for joint honours students.

The award is automatically given to students meeting the above criteria, and is retained provided an exam average of 70% or above in Mathematics modules is achieved each year.

For further details contact the Department of Mathematics: [maths-admissions@aber.ac.uk](mailto:maths-admissions@aber.ac.uk)

### Department of Physics Departmental Scholarships to pursue studies in Physics

Single Honours: £500 per year  
Joint Honours: £250 per year

To qualify, an applicant must be either in receipt of a University Entrance Scholarship in Physics or Mathematics, or achieve at least two A grades at A level, one of which must be Physics. The level of the award is £500 per year for duration of your degree scheme (three or four years) giving a total award of up to £7,500 (including a Faculty Entrance Scholarship).

The award is retained providing an exam average of 70% or above is achieved each year. Joint honours students are eligible for £250 per year.

For further details contact the Department of Physics:  
[phys@aber.ac.uk](mailto:phys@aber.ac.uk)

## Sports Scholarships

£1,000 a year

Sports Scholarships are intended for UK domiciled students who can demonstrate recent achievement of a high standard in their chosen sport, and commitment to performance development.

As part of our commitment to supporting highly-accomplished athletes to achieve a balance between sport and study, we have identified some key 'focus sports' where we are able to offer particular expertise.

Having developed a number of exciting partnerships with experts in their field, we can facilitate access to specialist coach education and top-class facilities for these sports within close proximity to Aberystwyth.

- Football
- Mountain biking
- Netball
- Rugby
- Wild Card - if you excel in a different sport, which we can facilitate here at the University, the Wild Card option may be for you

Sports Scholarships are available to students applying for ANY full-time course at Aberystwyth.

### The benefits of Sports Scholarships are:

- £1,000 a year (5 awards available annually)
- Tailored support programme specific to your sport
- Free Platinum membership of the University Sports Centre for each year of study
- Guaranteed accommodation in a Hall of Residence / University managed property for the duration of the course\*

\* In order to secure your guaranteed place in Residence, you must apply for accommodation for the following academic year within dates advertised by the Accommodation Office for returning students.

### How to apply

- Students will need to have applied through UCAS by 30 June 2021 and hold Aberystwyth University as their Firm choice of university.
- Students will need to complete and submit the online application form by 30 June 2021.
- Applicants may be invited to attend an interview to discuss their application further.

Sports Scholarships can be held with any other undergraduate award.

Full details and the online application form can be found at:  
[www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships](http://www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships)

## Sports Merit Awards

£500

If you excel in your chosen sport **after** arriving at Aberystwyth University, you could apply for a Sports Merit Award in your second or subsequent year of study. Awards are worth £500 plus free Platinum membership of the University Sports Centre for one academic year.

## Aberystwyth University / Aberystwyth Town Football Scholarships worth over £18,000

Applications are invited from male candidates from the UK who are applying to study full-time for a degree in any subject (undergraduate or postgraduate). Successful candidates will play for Aberystwyth Town Football Club in the Welsh Premier League and also the Aberystwyth University BUCS football team when appropriate.

Applicants MUST have achieved at least the standard of playing in the Welsh Premier League or equivalent (this would be the Vanarama National League in England).

### Benefits include:

- £4,000 a year
- Platinum membership of Aberystwyth University Sports Centre
- Football coaching development opportunities with Aberystwyth Town Football Club (ATFC) and Aberystwyth University Students Union (AU SU)

- Medical insurance through AU SU
- Access to ATFC physiotherapy
- ATFC match and training kits

Closing date for applications - 15 July 2021.

Full details and the online application form can be found at:  
[www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships](http://www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships)

Applicants are also welcome to contact Aber Town FC to discuss suitability:  
[abertownfc@live.co.uk](mailto:abertownfc@live.co.uk)

This Scholarship cannot be held alongside an Aberystwyth University Sports Scholarship, but can be held along with any of the other undergraduate awards offered. Postgraduate applicants are advised to check with the Postgraduate Admissions Office whether any other PG funding would be affected.



Mathew Jones

Sport & Exercise Science  
**Aberystwyth University / Aberystwyth Town Football Club, Academic Excellence Scholarship**  
Aberystwyth



I would recommend that any gifted footballers who are interested in coming to study at Aber apply for the Aber Town FC Scholarship. The process of applying was straightforward, and being awarded the Scholarship has really helped take the stress out of financing my time at University, whilst also being able to carry on playing football at a high standard.

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## Music Scholarships

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£650 a year

Due to COVID 19, most of our music provision is currently on hold, and we are in discussion with the music community regarding the future shape of the provision. Music will remain a key part of the student experience at Aberystwyth, however, and we will continue to offer Music Scholarships. Scholarship holders will be able to access all music facilities as soon as they become available again. Music Scholarships may be awarded either through a competitive audition or alternative process. More details regarding Music at Aber and the scholarship application process will be available on our website early in 2021.

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## Rhodri Rutherford

Philomusica and University Singers  
Music Scholarship – Clarinet and Voice

Receiving the Music Scholarship has been an incredible experience for me. I've had the opportunity to play a large number of musical pieces by a variety of composers. I have also developed my skills in reading and playing music as I have grown in confidence.

The Music Centre provides a wide range of musical groups, with something suitable for everybody. It is a lovely feeling to join the musical community since you meet people who share the same interests and experiences. It is a very good way of having a rest from the course to relax and enjoy. It also ensures a balance of time in terms of university life, which is key.

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## Bursaries for Care Leavers, Young Carers and Estranged Students

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£1,500 a year

Aberystwyth University is aware of the financial difficulties faced by students entering higher education who have previously been in care or who have caring responsibilities, or who are estranged from families or guardians. In order to ease this financial pressure, we are pleased to offer financial aid of £1,500 a year, along with an extensive support package for eligible students. This package includes:

- contribution towards travel costs if you visit us
- a contextual offer (lower than our standard offer)
- access to our Hardship Fund
- guaranteed accommodation in a university residence for 52 weeks of the year
- a welcome pack when you arrive, containing essentials such as bedding and kitchen equipment
- a Signpost Mentor to support your transition from school to University
- careers advice and work placement experience
- 20% tuition fee discount if you continue to postgraduate study at Aberystwyth immediately after graduating

Full details on how to apply, the supporting evidence we require, and an application form can be found on our website: [www.aber.ac.uk/careleavers](http://www.aber.ac.uk/careleavers)

You can also email us: [scholarships@aber.ac.uk](mailto:scholarships@aber.ac.uk)

These bursaries can be held with any other award.

# Welsh Medium Study Scholarships

up to £400 a year

There is a significant increase in demand for Welsh language skills in the workplace in Wales.

To encourage more of our students to take advantage of the opportunity to learn and develop these skills, we offer Scholarships to those following at least part of their course through the medium of Welsh.

There is no need to apply for these Scholarships – they will automatically be awarded to eligible students. Details of eligible modules will be available upon registration at the start of each academic year.

- £400 for students studying 85+ credits through the medium of Welsh
- £350 for students studying 65-84 credits through the medium of Welsh
- £300 for students studying 45-64 credits through the medium of Welsh
- £250 for students studying 25-44 credits through the medium of Welsh
- £200 for students studying 5 - 24 credits through the medium of Welsh

# Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol Scholarships

The Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol is an independent body, with responsibilities for planning and funding Welsh medium provision within the entire higher education sector in partnership with all the universities of Wales.

The Scholarship scheme offers financial support to students studying through the medium of Welsh. There are two main levels of award, depending on the number of credits available to study through the medium of Welsh. The Coleg also offer additional Scholarships depending on where applicants are from and what they wish to study. Please visit the Coleg's website for further details. It is possible to hold a Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol Scholarship alongside any Aberystwyth University awards.

## Main Scholarships £1,000 a year

The Main Scholarship scheme is for students studying for degrees which include at least 240 credits through the medium of Welsh. In order to be eligible for the Main Scholarship, students must study at least 80 credits through the medium of Welsh each year. These Scholarships are worth £3,000 over three years (where a course includes three years of studying in Aberystwyth and a year abroad/work experience year, that year will not be paid). A list of eligible courses can be found on the Coleg website: [www.colegcymraeg.ac.uk/en](http://www.colegcymraeg.ac.uk/en)

### How to apply

The Main Scholarships will be allocated on the basis of Aberystwyth University's Entrance Examinations. You must become a member of the Coleg to apply.

## Incentive Scholarships £500 a year

The Incentive Scholarship scheme is for students studying for degrees which include at least 120 credits through the medium of Welsh in any subject. In order to be eligible for the Incentive Scholarship, students must study at least 40 credits through the medium of Welsh each year.

These Scholarships are worth £1,500 over three years (where a course includes three years of studying in Aberystwyth and a year abroad/work experience year/foundation year, that year will not be paid).

### How to apply

You must become a member of the Coleg to apply. Please see their website for further details and application deadlines.

See: [www.colegcymraeg.ac.uk/en](http://www.colegcymraeg.ac.uk/en)  
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## Employment and Additional Support

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### AberWorks

Opportunities for part-time, casual work through AberWorks range from catering and administrative work, to ambassador roles and more. During term-time, if work is available, you may choose to work up to 15 hours per week, with more hours possible during vacation periods. Work could be based on any of the University's campuses including the Old College and our Farms.

What's great about the scheme is that you can accept work that fits around your schedule, so that you're not disrupting your studies but are still gaining experience, and additional cash that you may need.

[www.aber.ac.uk/en/hr/aberworks](http://www.aber.ac.uk/en/hr/aberworks)

### The Advice, Information and Money Service

The Advice, Information and Money Service within Student Support Services provides specialist advice on a range of money matters. Our NASMA (National Association of Student Money Advisers) accredited student advisers will be able to make sure that you are receiving everything you are entitled to from your funding body. They can also give you advice on how to manage your money more effectively and may be able to offer financial assistance for unforeseen circumstances.

[www.aber.ac.uk/en/student-support](http://www.aber.ac.uk/en/student-support)

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## Old Students Association, Aberystwyth (Cardiff Branch) up to £1,500

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A grant of between £500 and £1,500, payable in two equal instalments in the student's first academic year in Aberystwyth. Applications are invited from students attending a school or college situated in the South East Wales area.

Further details will be sent to eligible applicants by mid-March 2021.



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## Important information to note:

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### Contingency Plans

The COVID-19 pandemic has affected all areas of our lives, including exams. If it happens that the Entrance Exams are disrupted due to virus restrictions, we have contingency plans in place. We will do our utmost to ensure that no applicant is at a disadvantage but circumstances may dictate that some flexibility is required.

1. It is possible to hold an Entrance Scholarship or Merit Award together with any, or all, of the other awards we offer.
2. Each Scholarship and Bursary has its own terms and conditions, which are available at [www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships](http://www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships)
3. Students deferring their entry will be entitled to receive Scholarships/Bursaries at the level publicised for the year of application (rather than the year of entry in the case of deferred applications).
4. Awards are only payable to students studying for a full degree at Aberystwyth (not transferring into years 2 or 3 of the course).
5. Payments will continue for the tenure of the award subject to continued eligibility (payments are not made during repeat years).
6. Awards are paid whilst students are registered as full-time and full fee-paying. Payments will not be made during years abroad, years in employment, sandwich years etc.
7. Most payments are made twice annually direct into students' bank accounts. It is the award holders' responsibility to provide valid bank details when requested to do so. Failure to provide bank details by the specified date will result in payments being with-held. Where bank details have not been provided by the specified date, the award holder will not be entitled to receive that year's payment. Subsequent years' payments may continue if the award holder provides their bank details by the specified date in subsequent years.
8. Payments for students who temporarily withdraw will resume from the start of the next full term in which they recommence their studies (any remaining payment from the term in which they withdrew will not be repaid).
9. Please note that if you become indebted to the University, Scholarship and Bursary payments will be withheld and set against any outstanding debt.
10. If a student permanently withdraws from their studies before 1st December, the entire first instalment of any award will be reclaimed by the Finance Department. If a student permanently withdraws from their studies between 1st December and 2nd March, the entire second instalment of any award will be reclaimed by the Finance Department. Failure to repay any award in such an instance could result in a referral to the University's debt collection agency.
11. The information contained in this brochure is only applicable to applicants who will undertake their studies in Aberystwyth, and does not apply to students studying franchised or validated programmes delivered by our partners.



# Scholarships, Bursaries and Awards 2021

We offer a generous range of Scholarships and Bursaries to support your study and living costs. It's possible to hold a number of these awards together to make YOUR financial package more valuable.



| Name of award                           | Value and benefits  | Who can apply            | Eligibility criteria   | When to apply    | Extra form  |
|---|---|--------------------------|--|------------------|-------------|
| <b>Entrance Examinations</b>            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Up to £2,000 a year</li> <li>An unconditional offer</li> <li>Guaranteed accommodation in University accommodation for the duration of your course</li> </ul> | Undergraduate applicants | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must sit two exams in two different subjects</li> <li>Exams taken in May at a school/college in the UK, or at an approved examination centre</li> </ul> | By 7 May         | Yes, online |
| <b>Merit Awards</b>                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Up to £1,000 in the first year</li> <li>An unconditional offer</li> </ul>  |                          |  |                  |             |
| <b>Academic Excellence Scholarships</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>£2,000 in the first year</li> </ul>  | Students from the UK     | For applicants achieving excellent results in pre-University qualifications  | No need to apply | No          |

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|---|---|--|--|--|---|
| <b>Margaret Evelyn "Lynne" Williams Bursary</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>£500</li> </ul>  | Applicants to the Department of Welsh and Celtic Studies who live in Ceredigion, Carmarthenshire, or Swansea |  | By 31 January  | Yes                                       |
| <b>Aberystwyth School of Veterinary Science Bursaries</b>                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Up to £2,400</li> </ul>  | Applicants to the BVSc Veterinary Science course   | Varies - please see website  | Varies, please see website   | Yes                                       |
| <b>Emily Price Scholarship</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>£500</li> </ul>  | Female Maths/Physics applicants who demonstrate academic promise and a passion for their subject             |  | By 31 January  | Yes                                       |
| <b>Departmental Awards</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>£250 - £500 a year</li> </ul>  | Applicants to Computer Science, Maths and Physics  | Must be in receipt of an Entrance Scholarship or receive specified grades at A level in order to be considered | Applicants are automatically considered                                | No  |
| <b>Sports Scholarships</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>£1,000 a year</li> <li>Free Platinum Membership of the University Sports Centre</li> <li>A package of benefits tailored to your sport</li> </ul> | UK applicants including postgraduates  | Must have applied to Aberystwyth by 30 June and place Aberystwyth as your Firm choice of University            | By 30 June   | Yes                                       |
| <b>Aber Uni/ Aber Town FC Scholarship</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>£4,000 a year plus additional benefits</li> </ul>  | Male applicants from the UK including postgraduates  | Applicants must have experience of playing football to Welsh Premiership level or equivalent                   | By 15 July   | Yes                                       |
| <b>Music Scholarships</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>£650</li> </ul>  | All applicants, including postgraduates  | To be confirmed  | Details will be on the website in early 2021                           | Yes                                       |
| <b>Care Leaver, Young Carers and Estranged Students Bursaries</b>                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>£1,500 a year</li> </ul>   | UK students with experience of one of these categories   | Full details of eligibility and supporting evidence required are available on our website                      | After firm acceptance of offer, or during the first year of the course | Yes                                       |
| <b>Welsh Medium Study Scholarships</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Up to £400 a year</li> </ul>   | Students studying a set number of credits through the medium of Welsh on eligible courses                    |  | Applicants are automatically considered                                | No  |
| <b>Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol Scholarships for studying through the medium of Welsh</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>£1,500 to £3,000</li> </ul>  | Welsh medium applicants  | Please see the Coleg's website   | Different dates depending on award                                     | Must become a member of the Coleg Cymraeg |

For more information visit our website:  
[www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships](http://www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships)

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