THE LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE

Offer Holder News

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Dear Offer Holder,

Welcome to our January newsletter! This month we focus on sources of finance and funding. For taught masters students, (excluding Executive programmes) the main source of funding is the Graduate Support Scheme (GSS), which is now available for you to complete on the Graduate Applicant Portal. If you haven't yet applied for the GSS, you should do so as early as possible (**and in advance of the 27th April 2023 deadline**). Applicants that complete a GSS application will automatically be considered for other financial awards in the late Spring/early Summer.

If you have not activated your Graduate Applicant Portal, make sure you do so as soon as possible. Help can be found <u>here</u>.

Research applicants are not eligible for GSS but are considered for Studentships dependent on submitting a programme application prior to the <u>relevant deadlines</u>.

If you are not eligible for GSS funding or awarded a Studentship, don't give up, you will find details below regarding alternative funding sources.

Kind regards,

Graduate Admissions Office

Funding and Financial Support

LSE offers millions of pounds annually in financial support for its students via a range of scholarships, bursaries and award schemes. In addition to LSE's own funds, students may be able to access scholarships and financial support from a range of governments and funding agencies around the world.

Taught master's funding

There are a range of awards available for study at this level. The value of support can range in value from 10% of the tuition fee, to a full fees and maintenance award. New scholarships and awards may be introduced throughout the year, so you are encouraged to look at the website on a regular basis.

Support is available for the majority of programmes through the Graduate Support Scheme (GSS), country and subject-based awards, Master's awards, Anniversary Scholarships, the Snowdon Scholarship Scheme, and LSE Access to Education Graduate Scholarships.

You can apply for funding via the Graduate Support Scheme through your Graduate Applicant Portal – you only need to apply once to be considered for

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Notes and Dates for the Diary

Apply for the Graduate Support Scheme as soon as possible. The application process will close on 27th April 2023 (applications close at 9.00am UK time).

News from around LSE

all awards. There are exceptions for some country/programme based awards, so please do check the <u>Fees and Funding pages</u> for full details of each award. If you are unsuccessful in obtaining GSS funding, your details will be kept on file for consideration for any other awards being offered by LSE, for which you may be eligible.

LSE Access to Education Graduate Scholarships

There are a number of awards of up to a full value of tuition fees plus maintenance of £14,400 based on financial need, to be made to offer holders who have been classified as asylum seekers, refugees, a person with humanitarian protection or who are residents of the UK but on limited leave to remain.

For 2023 entry, awards are available for offer holders meeting <u>these eligibility</u> requirements.

External funding

There are also many external organisations that may be able to offer you funding to support your graduate studies, and we recommend that you explore as many options as possible.

There are some organisations who provide funding to overseas students, listed below, and also on <u>this page</u> lists of country based scholarship opportunities.

- <u>Association of Commonwealth Universities</u>
- British Chevening Scholarships

Make sure you check the terms and conditions of any scholarship before you accept it. Take a look at the **External Funding Opportunities** tab on <u>this</u> <u>page</u> for advice on where to look for external funding.

PhD funding

For 2023 entry, LSE will be offering studentships to new PhD students in the form of LSE PhD Studentships, LSE ESRC Studentships and LAHP AHRC Studentships.

These awards are open to high calibre students of all nationalities studying across all research areas at the School.

Except for LAHP studentships (see below), academic departments nominate students for the funding opportunity they may be eligible for. There is no separate application for LSE, ESRC and department-specific studentships. To be considered for this funding, you must submit your complete application for admission to LSE by a specific date. This date differs by academic department.

- deadline for being considered for LSE PhD Studentships and ESRC funding for 2022 for programmes in the Department of Economics: 16 December 2022
- deadline for being considered for ESRC funding for 2022 entry: 13 January 2023
- deadline for being considered for LSE PhD Studentships for 2023 entry: this can either be 13 January 2023 and/or 27 April 2023 depending on the programme you are applying to. Details can be found on the individual programme page.

To be considered for a LAHP studentship for 2023 entry, students need to have applied for their chosen programme of studies. They will also need to submit a separate funding application to LAHP. Details of the application process can be found <u>here</u>

See the links below for some of our featured content from this month:

LSE launches £50m accelerator for "social unicorns"

100x Impact

Accelerator, a new £50m global initiative dedicated to shaping an new generation of "social unicorns" launches its first call for applications.

Based at LSE '100x' aims to nurture highpotential social enterprises, enabling them to achieve positive impact on the scale of billions.

Find out more

Podcast of the month:

Can gaming make us happier?



Featured LSE Blogs:

<u>Will the nurses'</u> <u>strike mark a</u> <u>turning point for</u> <u>the NHS?</u>

Events:

<u>Global Energy</u> <u>Politics and Cost</u> <u>of Living Crisis</u>

Monday 20 February 2023 6:30pm to 8:00pm

Hosted by the Ralph Miliband Programme

Featured Research:

Read more



Tuition fees

Your tuition fees will be detailed on your official offer letter.

You can choose to pay your fees in instalments; if you choose to do so the first instalment of at least 34% will be due on, or before, the 27th October 2023.

You can pay all or part of your tuition fees ahead of registration if you wish. The payment link is found here. You can also pay via the Graduate Applicant Portal.

If you are being sponsored for your studies (for example, if you are on an Executive programme), there is a separate payment portal here.

Executive students who do not pay their full fees at the start of their programme (or before) will be placed on an instalment plan.

Loans

If you will be using a Professional or Career Development Loan (UK/EU), or a US or Canadian loan, our Finance Division can assist you with this.

Find more information here.



Student Vlogs

Mastering the Switch to a Master's Degree: Pearl's tips and tricks | LSE

Meet LSEs early career researchers: Pia Andres

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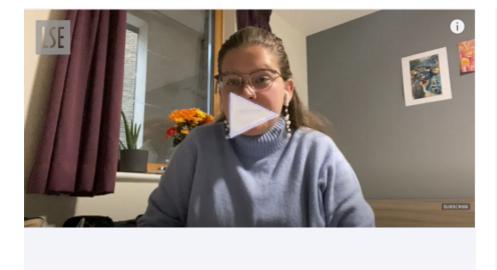




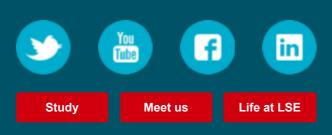




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