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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 care leaver 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

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 open 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.

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.

Please note that it is only possible to receive one award as a result of sitting 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

Accounting
 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 Technology
 Law
 Mathematics

Mathematics: Further Mathematics
 Physics
 Politics
 Politics: International Politics
 Psychology
 Sociology
 Spanish
 Sport and Exercise Science
 Tourism

Please note that prior to 2017 the exams lasted for 2 hours, therefore the format of the papers may vary slightly from 2017 onwards.

Dates of Examinations

The exams will be held on **Tuesday, 28th January 2020**. Candidates will 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 (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). Unfortunately, applicants will **NOT** be able to sit the exams on any other day.

The University may offer an additional opportunity later in the year.

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 in. 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

Name of Department	
Art	If a candidate is applying for a degree scheme that includes Fine Art - for example, Joint Honours in Art History and Fine Art - they must submit a Portfolio of their art work as one of their Entrance Examinations.
Biological, Environmental & Rural Sciences (IBERS)	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 ibers-admissions@aber.ac.uk for guidance.
Business School	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.
Computer Science	Candidates who have applied for a course that includes Computer Science must take at least one of the Computer Science or Information Technology papers.
Education	The exam paper is suitable both for candidates currently studying for a qualification in Education 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.
English and Creative Writing	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.
Geography and Earth Sciences	Applicants to Geography and Earth Sciences are expected to sit at least one of the Physical Geography, Human Geography, or Geology papers.
History and Welsh History	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.

Name of Department	
International Politics	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.
Law and Criminology	Although applicants to the Department of Law and Criminology are encouraged to consider selecting the Law / Criminology papers, any subject combination is acceptable.
Mathematics	<p>Candidates who have applied for a course that includes mathematics* must take the Mathematics paper as one of their subject options.</p> <p>* The courses that include mathematics are those listed at https://courses.aber.ac.uk/subject/mathematics</p>
Modern Languages	If applicants are studying the modern language to A level standard they will be expected to select that language as one of their subject options.
Physics	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.
Psychology	Although applicants to the Department are encouraged to consider selecting the Psychology paper, any subject combination is acceptable.
Theatre, Film and Television Studies	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.
Welsh and Celtic Studies	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 (if you live in the UK)

- The closing date for applications to the Entrance Examinations is 18th January 2020. You can apply quickly and easily using the online form on our website (from October 2019 onwards) or complete a paper application form and email or post it to us.
- 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, use of a PC) must submit with their application a letter/ email from their school confirming their requirements. This is particularly important for candidates sitting the exams at Aberystwyth University. 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: www.aber.ac.uk/entrance-merit

How to Apply (if you live outside of the UK)

The closing date for applications for candidates who live outside of the UK is 15th January 2020. You will need to complete a paper application form and email or post it to us (we cannot accept online applications from candidates who live outside of the UK). Please note that late applications will NOT be accepted.



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.

Location of examinations:

You can choose to sit the exams either:

At Aberystwyth University

Candidates wishing to come to Aberystwyth to sit the exams will need to make their own travel and accommodation arrangements. However, we will be able to make a financial contribution towards your arrangements. If you opt to sit the exams in Aberystwyth we will send you full details of the arrangements in due course.

At Your School/College

If you prefer to sit the exams at your school/college (in the UK) you are welcome to do so, provided your Exams Officer confirms they are willing to make the necessary arrangements. You **MUST** obtain their permission before submitting your application form.

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

Entrance Examinations may only be taken outside of the UK either:

- In conjunction with one of our partners in Europe
 - Bulgaria (Sofia) – please contact Integral: ivelkova@integral.bg
 - Estonia (Tallinn) – please contact Dream Foundation: estonia@dreamfoundation.eu
 - Poland (Siedlce) – please contact Open Future School: biuro@openfutureschool.pl
 - Poland (Wroclaw) – please contact Brytanka: biuro@brytanka.com
 - Slovakia (Bratislava) – please contact Edukka (Scandinavian Study): roman@scandinavianstudy.com
- At a school/college outside of the UK which has been accredited to hold UK exam board examinations (e.g. WJEC, Cambridge, AQA). **You MUST provide evidence of this accreditation with your application form to show that your school/college is eligible.** **Applications received without this evidence will NOT be accepted.**

Remember that applicants from the EU are also eligible to receive many of our other Scholarships and Bursaries, as well as financial assistance towards the costs of your tuition fees when studying at Aberystwyth:

www.studentfinancewales.co.uk/

We also offer other Scholarships for international students:

<https://www.aber.ac.uk/en/undergrad/scholarships/non-eu/>

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.

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

Results will be posted to all candidates and their schools/colleges approximately 4 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). The University publishes details of successful award holders and the names of their schools/colleges on our website and in other publications from time to time. If candidates do not wish to have their name published, they should ensure that they have indicated so on their application form.

Payment of Awards

When you start your course at the University we

will ask you to enter your bank details onto your Student Record. Payments will then 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. **Entrance Scholarship payments will continue for each eligible year of your course provided that you have achieved an attendance rate of at least 70% in your first year (lectures, seminars, workshops, practicals etc).**

Information for Schools and Colleges

Information for schools and colleges, including details of procedures to be followed in special circumstances (e.g. if the school/college has to close due to bad weather) can be found on our website: www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships/schools

All exam papers and materials for the examinations will be sent 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. If you only have one candidate sitting the exams you will not need to invigilate them continuously over the duration of the exams (provided they are in a secure room/office and do not have access to the internet, books, reference materials, mobile or electronic devices). Normal exam arrangements apply.

Benefactors

The provision of our Entrance Scholarships have been made possible by generous donations from a number of benefactors over the years. Some awards have restrictions placed on who can receive them. 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.

We have published a list of our benefactors and the terms and conditions associated with individual awards online:

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



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/EU 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
- Please see the Scholarship pages on the website for details of additional qualifications which are accepted for this award

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.



Rashid Domingo Bursaries

up to £12,000

The Rashid Domingo Bursaries have been made possible by a generous gift to the University by the late Mr Rashid Domingo.

Having created a number of scholarships and bursaries in his native South Africa, Mr Domingo was keen to turn his philanthropic interests to Wales and Welsh students in assisting able and deserving candidates to achieve their academic potential. Mr Domingo hoped that recipients of the Bursary would be inspired to consider supporting other students in a similar way in the future.

The Bursaries are open to undergraduate applicants wishing to study in the Department of Physics or IBERS. Candidates must have attended secondary school/college in Wales for a period

of at least 3 years. The aim of the Bursary is to assist students who may otherwise be prevented from attending university due to financial considerations.

During the first year of study, the award will normally be a contribution of up to £4,000 towards the student's accommodation in a University residence. In years 2 and 3, payments of £4,000 will be made in 3 instalments direct to the recipient's bank account (£1,500 in October, £1,500 in December, and £1,000 in March).

Full terms and conditions of the Bursaries, as well as an online application form can be found at: www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships

The closing date for applications is 31st January 2020.

Emily Price Scholarship

£500

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 15th January 2020 and hold Aberystwyth as their Firm choice of university. They must also complete and submit the Emily Price Scholarship application form by 31st January 2020 and may be required to attend a short interview to discuss their application during

an Applicant Visiting Day in February or March 2020.

Full details and the online application form can be found online: www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships



Departmental Awards

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

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

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



Charlotte Slaytor

German/Mathematics
**Academic Excellence
Scholarship,
Mathematics**

Departmental Scholarship
Amersham, Buckinghamshire

Receiving the awards has given me more confidence and belief in my abilities. It was great that I didn't have to apply for either – they were automatically awarded based on my A level grades. The extra money will help to support my year abroad.

Sports Scholarships

£500 a year

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

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

The benefits of Sports Scholarships are:

- £500 a year (up to 10 awards available annually)
- 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 30th June 2020 and hold Aberystwyth University as their Firm choice of university.
- Students will need to complete and return an application form by 30th June 2020.
- Applicants may be invited to attend an interview to discuss their application further.
- Applications can be submitted via the online application form or by downloading a form from the Scholarships section of the website.
- Students must meet the terms of their offer in full.

Sports Scholarships can be held with any other undergraduate award.

Please see our website for full Terms and Conditions: www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships



Heather Newport

Psychology

**Sports Scholarship -
Dressage**

Wisbech, Cambridgeshire

I was so happy to be awarded a Sports Scholarship as it has helped me to keep my horse with me at university and pay for competitions and training. The support which I receive alongside the money is also very helpful. It was easy to apply, has given me increased confidence in my abilities, and it will look good on my CV.

Sports Merit Awards

£500

If you excel in your 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 - 15th July 2020.

Full details and the online application form can be found at:

www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships

Applicants are also welcome to contact Aber Town FC to discuss suitability:

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 PG awards 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.

Music Scholarships

£650 a year

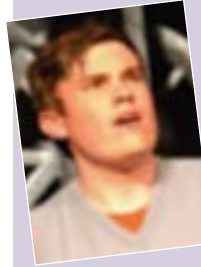
A great musical life is one of the strengths of Aberystwyth and the University. Music degrees are no longer offered by the University but we still appreciate the importance of a vibrant musical community. The Music Centre offers all students the opportunity to play, learn, and enjoy music alongside their studies.

Music Scholarships are intended for experienced musicians who can actively contribute to the University's orchestras, bands, choirs and other ensembles. They are awarded on the basis of competitive audition to new entrants in any discipline (undergraduate or postgraduate) and held for the duration of the course.

The benefits of Music Scholarships:

- £650 a year (four or more awards available annually)
- Free membership of all Music Centre ensembles and affiliated ensembles (including orchestras, bands, etc.)
- Free use of Music Centre practice, library and other appropriate facilities
- Guaranteed accommodation in a University managed property for the duration of the course*

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



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.

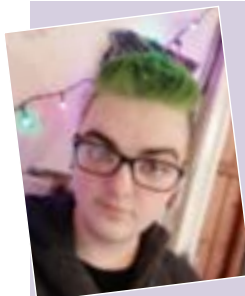


How to apply:

- Students must have applied to the University and hold Aberystwyth as their Firm choice by the closing date, 15th June 2020.
- Students must have completed an application form and returned it to the Music Centre by 15th June 2020.
- If invited, applicants must be available to audition in Aberystwyth at a mutually convenient time.
- Scholarships are available to students who are normally resident of the UK, EU or internationally, and who are an eligible instrumentalist or singer as set out in the regulations.

Audition opportunities are available at the mid-year Open Day for applicants who wish to receive an early decision on the outcome of their application. Applicants will be contacted shortly after the closing date to discuss audition dates.

Application forms, full regulations, and further details of Scholarships are available from our website www.aber.ac.uk/music or by contacting the Music Centre: music@aber.ac.uk
Tel: 01970 622685.



Rio Sambrook

*Concert Band and
University Singers*

**Music Scholarship –
Tuba and Voice**

As a musician, I hold myself to a high standard, and enjoy performing with other musicians of a high standard. As a university with no music department, Aberystwyth is fortunate to have such a vibrant, active centre with high quality musicianship. It's a great experience to step away from the world of youth choirs and junior bands and practice and perform with adults, playing music that is stretching and fun.

The opportunity to have time out from lectures and revision and step into the world of music is most welcome. The beautiful Old College building is a perfect venue for rehearsals and concerts, and the chance to engage with the local community through music is very valuable. I'm glad to be able to be a part of the music centre here in Aberystwyth, as I have made friends I wouldn't have met otherwise, and performed phenomenal music that I might never have had the chance to play.



Bursaries for Care Leavers, Young Carers and related groups

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 and guardians in their late teenage years. In order to ease this financial pressure, we are pleased to introduce the following:

Students who declare in their UCAS application that they are in care, are a recognised young carer, or are recently estranged from their family/guardian due to other widening access criteria may be eligible to receive this additional payment (regardless of any other bursary or scholarship held with us).

For a Full Bursary*
- £1,500 per annum*

An applicant must be able to demonstrate that:

- they have been in foster or other public care for a continuous period of 6 months or more after the age of 14, and be under 25 years of age when commencing their HE studies, with a Pathway Plan where appropriate,
- OR that they are a recognised young carer for a parent or sibling or nearest relative, in financial hardship and under the age of 21 when commencing their HE studies,
- OR that they have become estranged from their family/guardian(s) after the age of 16, are independent and self-supporting, in financial hardship, and under the age of 21 when commencing their HE studies.

* This amount is based on the anticipated accommodation costs for vacation periods, additional costs of items for independent living such as duvet, sheets, crockery, cutlery etc (which can be made available on arrival), plus course books and other study materials. It is assumed that students would find vacation employment to meet additional living costs.

For a Part Bursary*
- £800 per annum**

An applicant must be able to demonstrate that:

- they have been in foster or other public care for a continuous period of 3 to 6 months at or after the age of 16, affecting their secondary schooling, and be under 25 years of age when commencing their HE studies.

** This amount is based on an understanding that young people who have been in Care intermittently or for a period of 3-6 months are likely to have experienced serious disruption to their education, in addition to other aspects of their lives. This award would provide them with the means to reside at the University for part of the vacation period and could enable them to become independent if they so choose.

For both awards:

1. Bursaries will be awarded to all qualifying full-time UK domiciled undergraduates who meet the terms of their offer, irrespective of year of entry, and is in addition to other forms of statutory and institutional support.
2. The award is tenable for the normal duration of their scheme of study (for a maximum of 4 years) and subject to satisfactory academic progress.
3. Application is by completion of a short form supported by documentation from social services, third sector provider or other relevant individual or body (completed in September of the year of entry or, where appropriate, on discussion, during the first year of study), and a short meeting with the 'Named Person' at Aberystwyth University (see contact details below).

In addition to financial support, Care Leavers and others are also offered to a number of other support measures including:

- 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 for all years, including summer accommodation, you must apply for accommodation within the dates advertised by the Accommodation Office for returning students).
- Signpost Mentor
- Open and Visiting Day support

Please contact the Centre for Widening Participation and Social Inclusion for further details:

Telephone: 01970 621890

Email: wpsi@aber.ac.uk

Care Leaver and related bursaries can be held with any other award.



Welsh Medium Study Scholarships

99% of Aberystwyth University graduates who have studied Welsh medium modules are in work or further study six months after graduating.*

To enable more of our students to take advantage of the opportunity to learn new skills which are important to the workplace, Aberystwyth offers Scholarships to help them to follow 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.

Uwch Ysgoloriaeth (Higher Scholarship) £250 a year

For students taking at least 40 credits through the medium of Welsh each year. Students will need to register on module(s) offered wholly or partly through the medium of Welsh on eligible courses.

Ysgoloriaeth Annog (Motivation Scholarship) £100 a year

For students taking between 5 credits and 39 credits of Welsh medium module(s) each year. Students will need to register on module(s) offered wholly or partly through the medium of Welsh on eligible courses.

** Destination of Leavers from Higher Education – (HESA) 2018*



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 aim of the Scholarship scheme is to offer financial support to students studying through the medium of Welsh. There are two levels of award, depending on the number of credits available to study through the medium of Welsh. 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

How to apply

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

The application form is available on the Coleg website. You must return the form to the Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol by the date given, **ensuring that you have completed the Aberystwyth University appendix.**

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 an eligible 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).

A list of eligible courses can be found on the Coleg website. The Scholarships are awarded on the basis of the content of the application form.

How to apply

You must become a member of the Coleg to apply. You can download an application form from the Coleg website. It must be returned to the Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol by the closing date advertised on their website.

See: www.colegcymraeg.ac.uk/en
www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships

Old Students Association, Aberystwyth (Cardiff Branch)

up to £1,500

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

Application forms are available via the Undergraduate Admissions Office:

Email: ug-admissions@aber.ac.uk

Tel: 01970 622021

Application forms must be requested by 20th March in the year of entry to the University.

Up to date information can be found on our website:

www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships



Employment and Additional Support

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

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





Important Information to Note:

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
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 2020

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
Entrance Examinations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to £2,000 a year An unconditional offer Guaranteed accommodation in University accommodation for the duration of your course 	Undergraduate applicants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must sit two exams in two different subjects Exams taken on 28th January in Aberystwyth or at a school/college in the UK, or at an approved examination centre 	By 18 th January (UK) or 15 th January (EU/International)	Yes, or you can apply online
Merit Awards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to £1,000 in the first year An unconditional offer 				
Academic Excellence Scholarships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> £2,000 in the first year 	Students from the UK/EU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For applicants undertaking A levels, BTEC or IB 	No need to apply	No
Rashid Domingo Bursary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> up to £12,000 	Must have attended secondary school/college in Wales for at least 3 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicants to Physics or IBERS courses who can demonstrate academic promise and financial need 	By 31 st January	Yes (and short interview)
Emily Price Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> £500 	Female Maths/Physics applicants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicants must demonstrate academic promise 	By 31 st January	Yes
Departmental Awards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> £250 - £500 a year 	Applicants to Computer Science, Maths and Physics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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

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Sports Scholarships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> £500 a year Free Platinum Membership of the University Sports Centre Guaranteed accommodation in University accommodation for the duration of your course 	UK/EU applicants including postgraduates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must have applied to Aberystwyth by 30th June and place Aberystwyth as your Firm choice of University Must meet the terms of the offer fully 	By 30 th June	Yes
Aber Uni/ Aber Town FC Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> £4,000 a year plus additional benefits 	Male applicants from the UK including postgraduates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicants must have experience of playing football to Welsh Premiership level or equivalent 	By 15 th July	Yes
Music Scholarships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> £650 a year (for up to 3 years) Free membership and use of Music Centre facilities Guaranteed University accommodation for the duration of the Scholarship 	All applicants, including postgraduates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awarded on the basis of a competitive orchestral instrument audition 	By 15 th June	Yes
Care Leaver, Young Carers and related Bursaries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full Bursary - £1,500 a year Part Bursary - £800 a year 	UK students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See relevant section of this booklet for detailed age and evidence restrictions Must meet the terms of the offer fully 	After firm acceptance of offer, or during the first year of the course	Yes (and face to face meeting)
Welsh Medium Study Scholarships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Higher Scholarship - £250 a year Motivation Scholarship - £100 a year 	Welsh medium applicants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students studying a set number of credits through the medium of Welsh on eligible courses 	Applicants are automatically considered	No
Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol Scholarships for studying through the medium of Welsh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> £1,500 to £3,000 	Welsh medium applicants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please see relevant section of this booklet 	Different dates depending on award	Must become a member of the Coleg Cymraeg

- University of the Year for Teaching Quality
(The Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2019)
- Top in England and Wales for Student Satisfaction
(NSS 2019)
- Gold award in the Teaching Excellence and Student Outcomes Framework *(TEF 2018)*
- Top 3 University of the Year
(What Uni? Student Choice Awards 2019)
- Guaranteed first year accommodation
- Free Platinum Membership of the University Sports Centre if you live in a University property
- Free access to the National Library of Wales
- Vibrant student community

For further information and application forms please contact:

Marketing and Student Recruitment
Cledwyn Building, Penglais Campus, Aberystwyth University,
Aberystwyth, Ceredigion, SY23 3DD

Tel: (01970) 622065

E-mail: scholarships@aber.ac.uk

Web: www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships



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