

Level-Playing Field Scholarship supported by PlayStation Career Pathways Program 2022/23

Application deadline

Friday 8th July 2022 at 5pm

Please return your completed application form including your A Level (or most recent school) transcripts as pdf attachments to scholarships@westminster.ac.uk with your Westminster ID number and "Level-Playing Field Scholarship" in the subject line.

Introduction

The University of Westminster is proud to announce that Sony Interactive Entertainment (SIE) is supporting Black students and underrepresented groups in higher education through SIE-funded scholarships. The announcement demonstrates the University of Westminster's as well as Sony Interactive Entertainment's commitment to Diversity, Equality, and Inclusion. Both the University and SIE are committed to providing opportunities and support to ensure that people from every background can realise their true potential.

As a diverse community, the University is dedicated to providing opportunities and support to ensure that people from every background can realise their true potential. The scholarship will support undergraduate students from a Black and Mixed Black ethnic background on courses in Westminster's School of Computer Science and Engineering to encourage them to consider and pursue careers in the entertainment technology and gaming industry.

Successful applicants will receive £10,000 in each eligible year of study for a maximum of three years, subject to progression to the next year of their course and completion of the yearly career development sessions. £5000 will be paid into your nominated bank account in January and £5000 towards your tuition fees paid directly to the University in the first semester of each academic year. Students will not receive the yearly allowance if they are on a repeat year or a placement/sandwich year.

Eligibility

In order to apply you must:

- Be a Home student for fee purposes and have an offer from the University of Westminster for a place on a full-time undergraduate course at the School of Computer Sciences and Engineering starting in September 2022
- Be from a Black or Mixed Black ethnic background
- Have a household income of less than £25,000 per annum. Applicants must have applied for the maximum student support available from the Student Loans Company (SLC). This includes applying for finance based on your household income (means tested) and given consent to share information with the University in order that their declared household income can be verified.¹
- Successful students will be automatically a part of the Level-Playing Field Scholar Group and will be required to share their grades and career progressions at the end of each year

Evidence

Students must provide a copy of their A Level (or most recent school) transcripts with their application.

¹ For 2022 entry, your income assessment, carried out by the Student Loans Company (SLC), must be finalised by 31 December 2022, with all required evidence submitted to SLC by the 31st July 2022. This is so that the University can confirm you are eligible to receive any scholarship you have been provisionally awarded.

Personal Details

Your name: _____

Student ID number: _____

Course name: _____

Personal Statement

This is a chance to talk about your personal and academic experience up to now, any extra-curricular activities you are involved in and why you are interested in the course. What are your ambitions and how would you benefit from this scholarship? Please explain what makes you a good scholarship candidate, for example, demonstrable passion or work experience in the field, financial need, or academic merit. (maximum 300 words).

In the event that your application is successful, we will pay the maintenance award into your nominated bank account. Please enter your bank details in the boxes provided.

Bank Details

Bank Name:	Sort Code:
Account Holder's Name:	Account Number:

Declaration

I confirm that I have read the [GDPR](#) (General Data Protection Regulations Declaration) statement and consent to my personal data being held and utilised as detailed in this statement. I also confirm that the information provided and documentary evidence supplied is accurate to the best of my knowledge. Any information contained within this application, later found to be incorrect or untrue may result in the withdrawal of any scholarship or scholarship offer.

Name: _____

Date: _____