

## FAQ's 2022

### Snowdon Masters Scholarships

#### **When do applications open?**

Applications open on the 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022 and will remain open for 12 weeks until 5pm (GMT +1) on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022.

#### **Does my impairment qualify to apply?**

The Snowdon Trust are open to applicants who experience one / multiple / all of the following:

- Physical impairment
- Vision impairment/Blind
- Hearing impairment/Deaf
- Specific Learning Difficulty e.g. Dyslexia, Dyspraxia
- Learning or intellectual disability
- Neurodivergence

#### **I still don't know if the disability I experience is eligible for the scholarship or not?**

We understand that disability is defined differently within different contexts, countries and by individual preference. However, we cannot provide an exhaustive list or reply to all queries about specific impairments. If you believe, based on the information you have, that you meet the inclusion criteria then we urge you to apply.

#### **When will I hear by?**

You will be notified in May if you have progressed on to the next step of the application or not.

#### **What subjects does the scholarship cover?**

Snowdon Trustees welcome applicants from across all master's subject areas.

#### **Which universities does the Scholarship cover?**

All UK universities where the applicant is applying for a master's programme.

#### **Can I get funding for a Masters in another country?**

No, Snowdon Masters Scholarships are only available for UK Masters courses.

### **Can I study part time?**

Yes.

### **If I have already started my master's programme, can I apply for funding?**

No, eligible applicants must be starting their masters in the academic year 2022/23 – after the Snowdon Trust final selection meeting at the end of June 2022.

### **My Master's programme does not follow the usual academic term start dates, can I still apply?**

If your master's programme starts after July 2022 and before September 2023 then your application is eligible for this intake of Scholarships. Please note however, you must have a confirmed place at your university in order to move through the later stages of the selection process.

### **Can international students apply?**

Yes, applicants based outside the UK are encouraged to apply. All international applicants must have secured the required visas prior to selection. Note that for international students, the scholarship value remains the same – a maximum of £30,000 per student (of which £15,000 is a contribution towards fees, and £15,000 is an allowance whilst studying).

For international students where course fees are beyond £15,000, it is the individual's responsibility to source and fund the remaining costs.

### **How much is the scholarship?**

A maximum of £30,000 per student; up to £15,000 towards the cost of fees and a £15,000 allowance whilst studying. Where fees are beyond £15,000 it is the student's responsibility to fund the remainder of the study costs.

### **I'm yet to secure my master's place, can I still apply?**

Students can simultaneously apply for the scholarship and their Master course, but you must have received an offer from your chosen university by the selection date. Applicants without a course offer by the end of April will be removed from the selection process.

### **Will I have to provide evidence of my disability?**

No, at no point will you be asked to provide any official evidence of your disability.

### **Is there an age limit?**

No, there is no age limit. If you are applying as someone who has retired, it will be important in your application to explore how the scholarship in relation to your future ambitions.

### **Who should apply?**

The fund is focused towards supporting those individuals that can be most impacted by the scholarship funding. All candidates are advised to focus their applications on the potential impact of the scholarship, and how this funding could enable them to reach their potential or overcome additional barriers that may be as a result of living with a disability.

### **What do you mean by exceptional leaders?**

We're looking for individuals with the ability to create change and influence others. This could include excellence within a chosen field of study, or the ability to demonstrate leadership more widely through the workplace, extracurricular activities and leading by example.

### **What is the Disabled Leaders Network?**

All eligible applicants to the Snowdon Scholarship will be invited to become members of the Disabled Leaders Network. This network is a space for collaboration, engagement and debate, the Disabled Leaders Network will provide a platform for you to build relationships with other exceptional disabled leaders, creating a hub of information, knowledge, and support. All applicants who are eligible for the Snowdon Scholarship will be invited to join the Disabled Leaders Network.

### **What do you mean by excellence within a field of study?**

We're looking for people that are truly passionate about their chosen subject. Excellence could be measured by results, performances, exhibitions or any other subject related experience. Projects, extracurricular and workplace experience all count towards subject related experience.

### **COVID-19 and applications**

We recognize that COVID-19 has had and may continue to have profound impact on study locations, university processes and shielding requirements. The situation will be monitored throughout the application window. When completing the application form, please use the most up to date information you have available. Candidates can contact us directly if any details change after the application has been submitted.

### **How do I apply for the scholarship?**

Applications can be made via the online application form, found [on this webpage](#).

On this application form you can indicate if you will be submitting the answers to section 5 "The 4 Pillars" as text OR as an audio/video file.

If you decide to submit via audio or video your recording should be a maximum length of 3 minute. In these 3 minutes you do not have to answer the text questions exactly but you must demonstrate how you meet the 4 pillars of assessment as laid out in the guidance criteria.

If these options remain inaccessible to you, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

**How do I submit my audio / video file?**

To submit your audio or video file for section 5 of the application form, we ask that you upload the file to a location of your choice and create a shareable link that you insert into the text field on your application form when indicated in section 5.

For example, a YouTube video (you can make unlisted)

**Contact:**

If you need any support, please contact the Global Disability Innovation Hub on 020 3108 9916 or via email: [k.mattick@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:k.mattick@ucl.ac.uk)