

### **Employability Bursary 2022/23**

The University has allocated £25,000 to support Final Year students in securing graduate level employment. The Employability Bursary is a cash award which is available to Full and Part Time, UK and EU Students, in receipt of full **Home Funding** from Student Finance, who are fully enrolled and actively engaging in their course. This scheme is available to Final Year students on Undergraduate courses who are due to complete their studies in Summer 2023.

#### **Amount**

The Employability Bursary is worth up to £250 and is paid as one payment. The budget for this fund is limited and therefore, all eligible students' applications will be assessed in strict date receipt order. Once this fund is exhausted, no further awards will be made, and any applications received will be automatically rejected by default.

The award will open for applications from March 2023, and will remain open until the fund is exhausted or July 2023 (whichever is earlier)

## Eligibility

To be eligible for the Employability Bursary you must meet the following criteria:

- Final Year student;
- Full-Time or Part-Time;
- In receipt of full Home Funding via Student Finance;
- Undergraduate;
- Due to complete studies in Summer 2023;
- Evidence showing an invitation to an interview for a graduate level job in the UK;
- Undertake 4 hours or more of engagement with the Careers & Employability team (this could include workshops offered by the Careers & Employability team);
- Meet with a Careers Advisor;
- Register and login to Student Hub (<a href="https://studenthub.bolton.ac.uk/">https://studenthub.bolton.ac.uk/</a>).

Submission of an application does not guarantee an award will be made.

Any application submitted without the required supporting evidence will be rejected by default.

NB. If a student is made defer/refer at an exam board, payments may be delayed.

Awards are not limited to households, this means students living together are able to apply separately, providing they are current University of Bolton students that meet the criteria. Students who are in receipt of Benefits are strongly encouraged to liaise with the Department of Work and Pensions or The Citizens Advice Bureau to discuss any impact receiving this award will have on their benefit entitlement. Please be aware, any information submitted as part of your application may be cross-referenced against records already held by the University of Bolton.

# **Applying**

We aim to assess all applications within 10 working days. For successful applicants we aim to pay this award into a student's nominated UK bank account within 10 working days of the assessment being completed. Students applying for the Employability Bursary will need to provide evidence of an invite to interview in the form of an email or letter from their prospective employer. Your evidence will be assessed by the Careers & Employability team, if assessed as ineligible you have the right to appeal. You can apply multiple times if you are unsuccessful, but at a later date invited to an interview for a graduate level job. A maximum of one award per student, if you are successful you will only receive one payment from the fund, and you won't be able to apply again.

Applications should be submitted via the Blackbullion Portal: <a href="www.blackbullion.com/funding">www.blackbullion.com/funding</a>

### **Payment**

Payments will be made in one instalment via BACs to the nominated UK Bank Account.

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### **Terms and conditions**

Payments will be permanently terminated if the student withdraws, transfers to another institution, fails their programme of study, or interrupts or suspends their studies.

Payments are subject to continuing and satisfactory attendance on the course.

Payment of the award is made entirely at the discretion of the university.

Please note all information given on this summary is provisional and subject to change.

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