

BP Egypt Cambridge Scholarship

Master's degree scholarship for the academic year 2018/2019 at the University of Cambridge

Frequently asked questions (FAQs)

Who covers the costs of the scholarships?

BP Egypt and the Cambridge Commonwealth, European and International Trust cover all of the scholarship costs.

How many scholarships are on offer?

A number of BP Cambridge Scholarships for Egypt are offered annually to pursue one-year Master's degree programmes.

What are the requirements/processes to get the scholarship?

1. Applicants must show evidence of excellent academic achievement. They should have a first class or high second-class honors degree, or its equivalent, from a recognized university, supported by certificates of graduation and letters of recommendations from Professors at their current or previous university. Please see the course requirements that apply to the many Masters courses available at the university: <http://www.graduate.study.cam.ac.uk/courses>

Full information about Graduate Study is available online at:

<http://www.graduate.study.cam.ac.uk/>

2. Applicants must gain admission to the University of Cambridge in the normal way to be considered for these awards. The Trust cannot admit students to the University. Please, see the applying for admission section on the Graduate Studies web pages for information: <http://www.graduate.study.cam.ac.uk/how-do-i-apply>
3. Applicants who are not native speakers of English are required by the University to provide the results of an English language test and to meet the minimum standard of proficiency required for admission to Cambridge. For more information please see <http://www.graduate.study.cam.ac.uk/courses/entry-requirements>
4. Decisions on awards will be taken during the summer months (June to August) prior to the October date that the candidate intends to start their studies. A shortlist of eligible candidates

will be drawn up and BP Egypt will interview these candidates in Egypt and select the BP Cambridge Scholars from those interviewed.

5. Successful candidates must sign with BP Egypt, before their departure to Cambridge, an **enrolment agreement** whereby they will agree to return back, domicile and work in Egypt after their graduation from the University of Cambridge for double the period they studied at the University of Cambridge.
6. BP holds the right to apply exceptions to the above conditions as the company sees appropriate.

What is the value of the scholarship?

- **University Composition Fee**

The scholarship will cover the University Composition Fee at the appropriate rate.

- **Maintenance**

A maintenance allowance enough for a single student is paid in three or four equal installments each term (October, January, April and July). For the academic year 2017-2018, the maintenance allowance is currently **£14,553 for twelve months**, and is pro-rated for courses shorter than 12 months. The rate for 2018-19 has not yet been set. The maintenance allowance is expected to cover accommodation and meal costs.

The award does not cover the costs of dependents. Students are required to provide a separate financial guarantee for support of their dependents if they want to take any dependents with them. You can find out the level of guarantee required for dependents by using the financial commitment calculator at <http://www.graduate.study.cam.ac.uk/finance>

- **Airfare**

A contribution to an airfare from Egypt to the UK of about **£300** is paid upon arrival, and a contribution towards the cost of an airfare from the UK to Egypt via the most economical route is paid upon departure at the end of the scholarship

How do I apply for the scholarships and admission to Cambridge?

For full and detailed information about applying for admission and for funding see <http://www.graduate.study.cam.ac.uk/how-do-i-apply>

All applicants must complete and submit an online application form through the Applicant Portal to the University's Graduate Admissions Office by the relevant deadline.

All applicants for BP Egypt Cambridge Scholarships and funding from the Cambridge Trust should complete the funding section of the Applicant Portal by ticking the box 'I wish to be considered for funding'. Only after a conditional offer from the University has been made can a student be considered for a scholarship.

By submitting one online application form per course applied for, candidates will, where eligible, be considered for:

- Admission to a course of graduate study or research by the university
- Admission to a college by one or more of the Cambridge colleges
- Funding offered by the Cambridge Trust <http://www.cambridgetrust.org/>

There is a charge of £50 for completing an online application.

What is the deadline for submitting the application forms?

Applicants from Egypt	
Postgraduate course for which you are applying	Deadline for applying online at the new Applicant Portal
One-year course	15 November 2017 (or course deadline, whichever is earlier)

When do the scholarships start?

One-year post-graduate courses start only in October of the relevant academic year.

Further information

For further information about the Cambridge Commonwealth, European and International Trust and the awards they offer, please visit: <https://www.cambridgetrust.org/>

For information about how to apply for admission to the University of Cambridge, please see: <http://www.graduate.study.cam.ac.uk/how-do-i-apply>

How to get to Cambridge

For information about arriving at UK airports and getting to Cambridge see the following links below:

<http://www.visitcambridge.org/visitor-information/how-to-get-here>

Arriving at Cambridge

Please see the **map of Cambridge** to help you get your bearings:

<https://www.google.co.uk/maps/search/maps/data=!4m2!2m1!4b1>

Most students will arrive at the bus station (which is centrally-located) or the train station (which is about 10 minutes' walk from the centre of town).

Your **first point of contact** upon arrival in Cambridge will be **your college**, who should have already sent you some information about your accommodation and the things you will need to do upon arrival in Cambridge.

Opening a bank account

To cash your maintenance cheques from the Trust, you will need to open a bank account with a UK bank to deposit these cheques. There are many banks in Cambridge to choose from, and to open an account you will need to take the following documents to a bank:

- Passport as proof of identity.
- Scholarship offer letter as proof of the award you have been given.
- An official document from your college, as their address will be used as your permanent address.
- Confirmation of admission to the University of Cambridge.

General information and help

Please note that the Trust deals only with **matters relating to your scholarship**. For all other non-scholarship related enquiries, please contact your college.

For further queries, please contact the British Council in Egypt:

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