

Student Success Scholarship 2025/26

1. The Student Success Scholarship provides financial support to help you succeed at Sheffield Hallam.

What you could receive

2. Successful applicants will receive an award of between **£600** and **£2,100**. Most students will receive an award from the lower end of this scale. Only students who are in several priority groups will be considered for the highest amount.
3. Part-time students will receive a proportional award.
4. You can only receive the scholarship once per academic year, and you need to reapply each academic year.
5. The number of successful applications within an academic year is capped based on the funds available.
6. Award amounts given in each application window are worked out based on:
 - the priority groups each applicant is a member of (this is determined by the evidence provided by applicants in each application window),
 - the total number of successful applications,
 - the projected number of applications we expect to receive throughout the academic year, and
 - the funds available.
7. This means that if you are a returning student, you may receive a different amount than last year, even though your circumstances may be the same. It also means that any amount you receive this year is not an indicator of how much you will be awarded in the future. This also means that applicants in the second application window of an academic year may receive less than those in the first application window of the same academic year.

Who can apply

8. To apply for the Student Success Scholarship, you must:
 - be fully enrolled in the 2025/26 academic year (you must also be fully enrolled at the time the application window, in which you have applied, closes),
 - be studying an undergraduate, PGCE or integrated masters course
 - be a 'home' fee status student
 - be paying a 2025/26 tuition fee of £9,535, or the foundation year fee of £5,760, or the part-time equivalent (this can be self-funded or through a student loan), this must be directly payable to Sheffield Hallam University,
 - be means tested by a UK student funding body (such as Student Finance England) - exceptions may apply (please see paragraph 10),

- have a household income of £62,377 or less,
 - have consented to share your household income with the University as part of the means testing process, and
 - have a UK bank account in your name.
9. If you are receiving more than the minimum amount of maintenance loan, and meet the other eligibility criteria, you will be eligible to receive at least the minimum amount of support from the Student Success Scholarship.
10. Although you must be means tested by a UK student funding body (such as Student Finance England), you do not need to have taken out a tuition fee loan and/or maintenance loan to be eligible for the Student Success Scholarship. If you cannot be means tested, please let us know by contacting [Hallam Help](#). If possible, we will seek alternative means to assess your household income.
11. You are not eligible to apply if:
- you are a postgraduate student studying a research or taught course that is not eligible for undergraduate funding,
 - you are studying a Degree Apprenticeship course,
 - you are recognised as having international fee status by the University,
 - you have withdrawn from your course, taken a break in study, are temporarily withdrawn, or if you are excluded from your course, at the time the application window, in which you have applied, closes,
 - you have an external re-sit status,
 - you receive another financial award, other than a student loan, that is greater than £2,100 (such as a teacher education scholarship/bursary, an NHS Training Grant, Social Work Bursary, or funding for a period of study abroad such as a Turing Grant/funding in lieu of a Turing Grant), or
 - receiving the Student Success Scholarship would negatively affect your eligibility for another scholarship/bursary.
12. We reserve the right to withhold payment of an award where there is clear evidence that you would not gain a material benefit from receiving it.

When to apply

13. There are two application windows planned for the 2025/26 academic year. These dates are subject to change.

Applications open	Applications close	Payments are expected to be made
10am on Monday 8 September 2025	5pm on Sunday 2 November 2025	At the start of December 2025
10am on Wednesday 7 January 2026	5pm on Sunday 1 March 2026	At the start of April 2026

14. Subject to available funds, we reserve the right not to open an application window and to close an application window earlier than the published date. In the event of an application window closing early or not opening, there is no right to appeal.
15. For an application to be considered, it must be submitted before 5pm on the closing date. We cannot consider applications or accept appeals if you do not apply before 5pm on the closing date.

How to apply

16. If you are eligible to apply, you will see the application form in My Student Record. Go to the scholarships section to start your application.
17. The application form will ask you to select the priority groups you are in and to upload evidence for each of the groups you select.
18. The table of evidence requirements (page 4 onwards) lists the evidence we require for each priority group, please ensure you have all the evidence you need before applying. If you do not have the evidence available at the time, you can save and return to your application if needed. Outstanding evidence must be submitted before the closing date of application window in which you are applying.
19. If you submit your application with missing or unacceptable evidence, we will contact you to let you know and give instructions on what you need to provide and how.

How applications are assessed

20. To determine if you are eligible for an award and how much your award will be, we will look at your household income and the priority groups you are in.
21. Our priority groups are:
 - Care leavers
 - Students who are estranged from their family
 - Students with caring responsibilities
 - Students who have refugee status
 - Transgender students, inclusive of non-binary genders
 - Student parents
 - Students with a disability
 - Final year students
 - Student from minority ethnic backgrounds
 - Students studying a high-cost or high-intensity course (see [annex one](#) for a list of eligible courses)
22. The following table details the evidence you will need to provide, and how often you need to provide that evidence. These examples are illustrative and not exhaustive.

Criteria/Priority Group	Evidence Required	How Often
Household Income	You do not need to provide evidence of your household income in your application. We will have access to this information if you have been means tested by your student funding body and all parties have given consent to share that information with the University.	As your household income can change, you will need to be means tested and consent to share that information with the University each year that you apply for the scholarship.
High-Cost Course	No evidence is required; we will check this information internally.	N/A
Final Year Students	No evidence is required; we will check this information internally.	N/A
Student from minority ethnic backgrounds	No evidence is required; we will check this information internally.	N/A
Student with Caring Responsibilities Someone providing support to a friend or family member due to an illness, disability, mental health, or addiction problem.	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A letter confirming you provide care for a friend or family member from a relevant organisation or third party, such as a carers organisation, social services, teacher or college tutor, support worker, doctor, healthcare professional or other relevant support organisation or network. Evidence that you are currently receiving Carers Allowance - this must be in your name. Evidence that you are currently receiving Disability Living Allowance for a child in your care - this must be in your name. Carers support plan issued by the University. 	As your circumstances can change, you will need to provide up-to-date evidence each year that you apply for the scholarship.
Care Leaver Someone who has been in care for three or more months in the school years including and after year 10 and under 25 years old at the start of their current course.	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you have already had your eligibility for SHUProgress or the Care Leaver Bursary confirmed, evidence is not required, we will check this information internally. 	You will only need to provide this evidence once when you first apply for the scholarship.

Criteria/Priority Group	Evidence Required	How Often
Care Leaver continued	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you were not part of SHUProgress and if you have not received the Care Leaver Bursary before, you will need to provide a letter from your local authority, this must confirm your care leaver status, your age whilst in care and the dates you were in care. 	
Student who is Estranged from their family Someone given estrangement status by their student funding body.	A letter from your student funding body confirming your independent status on the grounds of estrangement which covers the current academic year.	As your circumstances can change, you will need to provide up-to-date evidence for each year that you apply for the scholarship.
Student Parent	<p>One of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evidence that you are receiving Child Tax Credits, Child Benefit, or equivalent Universal Credit from HMRC relating to the most recent (last or current) tax year. Evidence that you are currently receiving Parents' Learning Allowance from your student funding body. Child's birth certificate where you are named as a parent. 	As your circumstances can change, you will need to provide up-to-date evidence for each year that you apply for the scholarship.
Student with a Disability Someone who has registered with the Disabled Student Support Team.	You do not need to provide evidence in your application. We will check this information internally. You do not need to be accessing support for your disability, but you do need to be registered with the Disabled Student Support Team .	N/A
Transgender Students Inclusive of non-binary genders.	As everyone's situation and journey is different, we do not have a definitive list of evidence required for transgender and non-binary students. What may be relevant for one person, may not be for another. Transgender and non-binary students should not have to prove their identity.	You will only need to provide this evidence once when you first apply for the scholarship.

Criteria/Priority Group	Evidence Required	How Often
Transgender Students continued	<p>These are examples of the evidence students have submitted in the past:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A personal statement telling us about themselves and their experiences. ▪ Screenshots of social media posts talking about their identity or coming out. ▪ Evidence that they have legally changed their name by deed poll. ▪ A supporting letter from a support organisation, GP, medical professional or other professional that they have been in contact with. <p>This is not a definitive list, and we understand that you may not have any of these or may not want to supply any of these. Please do not feel that you must do something you do not want to do, or normally wouldn't do, just to be able to supply evidence. Please note we do not want to make judgements on the way someone looks or presents, as such we cannot accept photographs.</p>	
Students who have Refugee Status	<p>Both of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A Home Office share code - which you can get once you have created your eVisa. <p>And</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Your Home Office letter/email confirming your immigration status. 	As your circumstances can change, you will need to provide up-to-date evidence for each year that you apply for the scholarship.

What happens next

23. We will contact you if we need more evidence. If you are missing evidence, we will work out your award based on the evidence we do have at the time applications close.

24. We will contact you about one month after the application window closes to tell you the outcome of your application. If your application is successful, we will confirm your award amount and give instructions on how to provide your bank details.

25. We will confirm your payment date after you have provided your bank details.

26. If you do not provide your bank details in a timely manner, the payment dates given in the [when to apply](#) table will not apply, your payment will be delayed and may be cancelled.
27. When providing your bank details, please ensure to check that you have entered them correctly. Changes cannot be made easily after we have processed your payment. Mistakes will cause a delay in a payment being made to you and you may not receive your payment.
28. Please **do not** include dashes in your sort code and **do not** enter a 16-digit card number.

General terms

29. The Student Success Scholarship is subject to the [General Funding Terms and Conditions](#).
30. Scholarships awarded in the 2025/26 academic year must be paid by July 2026. Scholarship payments will be cancelled if they cannot be paid by July 2026.
31. If you receive benefits and/or any other financial support, it is your responsibility to check whether receiving an award from this scheme will affect your entitlement(s)/payments.

Appeals

32. If your application is unsuccessful, you may have the right to appeal if you have valid grounds to do so. For information about the appeals process, please visit the [Appeals page](#).

Need help

33. If you have any questions about the Student Success Scholarship, please contact [Hallam Help](#).

Annex one

34. List of high-cost and high-intensity courses that qualify as a priority group for the 2025/26 Student Success Scholarship. Courses on the list are subject to change.
35. Please note that whilst your course may be listed it does not necessarily mean you are eligible to apply for or receive the Student Success Scholarship.

BA HON Accounting and Finance (Management) with Foundation Year
BA HON Accounting and Finance (Management)
BA HON Accounting and Finance with Foundation Year
BA HON Accounting and Finance
BA HON Early Years and Primary Education (3-7) with Qualified Teacher Status FT
BA HON Early Years and Primary Education (3-7) with Qualified Teacher Status SW

BA HON Education and Learning Support - Top Up
BA HON Education with Psychology & Counselling with Foundation Year
BA HON Education with Psychology & Counselling
BA HON Fashion Design with Foundation Year
BA HON Fashion Design
BA HON Fashion Management and Communication with Foundation Year
BA HON Fashion Management and Communication
BA HON Fine Art with Foundation Year
BA HON Fine Art
BA HON Forensic Accounting with Foundation Year
BA HON Forensic Accounting
BA HON Graphic Design with Foundation Year
BA HON Graphic Design
BA HON Human Geography
BA HON Illustration with Foundation Year
BA HON Illustration
BA HON Interior Architecture and Design with Foundation Year
BA HON Interior Architecture and Design
BA HON International Business (European Partnership Programme) FT
BA HON International Business (European Partnership Programme)
BA HON International Business with Events Management (Top up) FT
BA HON International Business with Finance (Top up) FT
BA HON International Business with Food Marketing Management (Top up) FT
BA HON International Business with French with Foundation Year
BA HON International Business with French
BA HON International Business with German with Foundation Year
BA HON International Business with German
BA HON International Business with Hospitality Management (Top up) FT
BA HON International Business with Management (Top up) FT
BA HON International Business with Marketing (Top up) FT
BA HON International Business with Spanish with Foundation Year
BA HON International Business with Spanish
BA HON International Business with Tourism Management (Top up) FT
BA HON Jewellery, Materials & Design with Foundation Year
BA HON Jewellery, Materials & Design
BA HON Languages with International Business (French) with Foundation Year
BA HON Languages with International Business (French)
BA HON Languages with International Business (German) with Foundation Year
BA HON Languages with International Business (German)
BA HON Languages with International Business (Spanish) with Foundation Year
BA HON Languages with International Business (Spanish)

BA HON Languages with TESOL (French)
BA HON Languages with TESOL (German)
BA HON Languages with TESOL (Spanish)
BA HON Languages with Tourism (French) with Foundation Year
BA HON Languages with Tourism (French)
BA HON Languages with Tourism (German) with Foundation Year
BA HON Languages with Tourism (German)
BA HON Languages with Tourism (Spanish) with Foundation Year
BA HON Languages with Tourism (Spanish)
BA HON Mathematics Education and Qualified Teacher Status FT
BA HON Photography with Foundation Year
BA HON Photography
BA HON Primary Education (5-11) with Qualified Teacher Status FT
BA HON Primary Education (5-11) with Qualified Teacher Status SW
BA HON Product Design with Foundation Year
BA HON Product Design
BA HON Science Education with Qualified Teacher Status FT
BA HON Social Work FT
BA HON Sport Studies with Foundation Year
BA HON Sport Studies
BA HON Teaching and Learning with Qualified Teacher Status (Top up)
BA HON Working with Children, Young People & Families
BA HON Youth and Community Work
BArch HON Architecture
BSC HON Building Surveying
BSC HON Business Property Management (Top-Up)
BSC HON Climate, Sustainability and Environmental Management with Foundation Year
BSC HON Climate, Sustainability and Environmental Management
BSC HON Construction Project Management
BSC HON Diagnostic Radiography FT
BSC HON Diagnostic Radiography with Foundation Year FT
BSC HON Environmental Science
BSC HON Geography with Foundation Year
BSC HON Geography
BSC HON International Sport Business Management
BSC HON International Tourism Management with Foundation Year
BSC HON International Tourism Management
BSC HON Midwifery FT entry from September 2020 onwards FT
BSC HON Midwifery with Foundation Year FT
BSC HON Nursing (Adult) entry from September 19 onwards FT
BSC HON Nursing (Adult) PT

BSC HON Nursing (Adult) with Foundation Year
BSC HON Nursing (Child) entry from September 19 onwards FT
BSC HON Nursing (Child) with Foundation Year
BSC HON Nursing (Learning Disability) and Social Work FT entry from September 19 onwards FT
BSC HON Nursing (Learning Disability) and Social Work with Foundation Year
BSC HON Nursing (Mental Health) entry from September 19 onwards FT
BSC HON Nursing (Mental Health) with Foundation Year
BSC HON Occupational Therapy FT
BSC HON Occupational Therapy with Foundation Year FT
BSC HON Operating Department Practice FT
BSC HON Operating Department Practice with Foundation Year FT
BSC HON Paramedic Science September 2019 entry onwards FT
BSC HON Paramedic Science with Foundation Year FT
BSC HON Physiotherapy FT
BSC HON Physiotherapy with Foundation Year FT
BSC HON Product Design with Foundation Year
BSC HON Product Design
BSC HON Quantity Surveying
BSC HON Radiotherapy and Oncology FT
BSC HON Radiotherapy and Oncology with Foundation Year FT
BSC HON Real Estate with Foundation Year
BSC HON Real Estate
BSC HON Sport and Exercise Technology with Foundation Year
BSC HON Sport and Exercise Technology
BSC HON Teaching and Learning with Qualified Teacher Status (Top up)
CERT ED Post 16 and Further Education FT
Foundation Year in Health, Sport, and Social Care
High Speed Rail and Infrastructure (Birmingham) (Top Up) FT
High Speed Rail and Infrastructure (Birmingham) FT
High Speed Rail and Infrastructure (Doncaster) (Top Up) FT
High Speed Rail and Infrastructure (Doncaster) FT
Mathematics Education and Qualified Teacher Status 3 Year FT
PGCE Early Years and Primary Education (3-7) with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalariated) FT
PGCE Early Years and Primary Education (3-7) with QTS FT
PGCE Early Years and Primary Education (3-7) with Qualified Teacher Status FT
PGCE Further Education and Skills FT
PGCE Primary Education (5-11) PE specialist with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalariated) FT
PGCE Primary Education (5-11) PE Specialist with Qualified Teacher Status FT
PGCE Primary Education (5-11) Physical Education with QTS FT
PGCE Primary Education (5-11) with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalariated) FT

PGCE Primary Education (5-11) with QTS FT
PGCE Primary Education (5-11) with Qualified Teacher Status FT
PGCE School Direct Early Years (3-7) Education with Qualified Teacher Status (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Primary (5-11) Physical Education Specialist with Qualified Teacher Status (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Primary Education (5-11) with Qualified Teacher Status (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Art and Design (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Business Education (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Citizenship and PSHE with QTS (11-16) with Post 16 Enhancement (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Computing (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Design and Technology (Food) (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Design and Technology (Textiles) (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Design and Technology (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Education (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Education 11-16 (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Education 14-19 (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Engineering (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary English (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Geography (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary History (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Mathematics (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Modern Foreign Languages (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Music (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Physical Education (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Religious Education (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Science Biology (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Science Chemistry (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Science Physics (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE School Direct Secondary Social Sciences with Qualified Teacher Status (14-19) (Unsalariated) FT
PGCE Secondary Art and Design FT
PGCE Secondary Art and Design with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalariated) FT
PGCE Secondary Art and Design with QTS FT
PGCE Secondary Business Education FT
PGCE Secondary Business Education with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalariated) FT
PGCE Secondary Business Education with QTS FT
PGCE Secondary Citizenship and PSHE with QTS (11-16) with Post 16 Enhancement FT
PGCE Secondary Computing FT
PGCE Secondary Computing with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalariated) FT

PGCE Secondary Computing with QTS FT
PGCE Secondary Design and Technology (Food) FT
PGCE Secondary Design and Technology (Food) with QTS FT
PGCE Secondary Design and Technology (Textiles) FT
PGCE Secondary Design and Technology FT
PGCE Secondary Design and Technology with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalaries) FT
PGCE Secondary Design and Technology with QTS (Food) (Delivery Partner Unsalaries) FT
PGCE Secondary Design and Technology with QTS FT
PGCE Secondary Education in Citizenship / PSHE with QTS FT
PGCE Secondary Education in Drama with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalaries) FT
PGCE Secondary Education in Drama with QTS
PGCE Secondary Education in Social Sciences with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalaries) FT
PGCE Secondary Education in Social Sciences with QTS FT
PGCE Secondary Engineering FT
PGCE Secondary English FT
PGCE Secondary English with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalaries) FT
PGCE Secondary English with QTS FT
PGCE Secondary Geography FT
PGCE Secondary Geography with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalaries) FT
PGCE Secondary Geography with QTS FT
PGCE Secondary History FT
PGCE Secondary History with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalaries) FT
PGCE Secondary History with QTS FT
PGCE Secondary Mathematics FT
PGCE Secondary Mathematics with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalaries) FT
PGCE Secondary Mathematics with QTS FT
PGCE Secondary Modern Foreign Languages FT
PGCE Secondary Modern Foreign Languages with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalaries) FT
PGCE Secondary Modern Foreign Languages with QTS FT
PGCE Secondary Music FT
PGCE Secondary Music with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalaries) FT
PGCE Secondary Music with QTS FT
PGCE Secondary Physical Education FT
PGCE Secondary Physical Education with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalaries) FT
PGCE Secondary Physical Education with QTS FT
PGCE Secondary Religious Education FT
PGCE Secondary Religious Education with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalaries) FT
PGCE Secondary Religious Education with QTS FT
PGCE Secondary Science (Biology) with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalaries) FT
PGCE Secondary Science (Chemistry) with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalaries) FT
PGCE Secondary Science (Chemistry) with QTS FT

PGCE Secondary Science (Physics) with QTS (Delivery Partner Unsalariated) FT
PGCE Secondary Science (Physics) with QTS FT
PGCE Secondary Science Biology FT
PGCE Secondary Science Biology with QTS FT
PGCE Secondary Science Chemistry FT
PGCE Secondary Science Physics FT
Science Education with Qualified Teacher Status 3 Year FT
Teaching and Learning in Early Years and Primary Education (3-7) with Qualified Teacher Status Top Up PT
Teaching and Learning in Primary Education (5-11) with Qualified Teacher Status Top Up PT

Data sources: Sheffield Hallam University internal data and Student Loans Company course designation data. Based on information available in August 2025.