Bestway Foundation Scholarships for Students from Pakistan
FAQs: Frequently Asked Questions

This page aims to answer some of the most frequently asked questions about our Bestway Foundation Scholarships for Students from Pakistan.

Click on the questions below to reveal the answer.

**How many scholarships are available?**

There are six Bestway Scholarships (the Bestway Scholarship is for students from Pakistan)

**Is there an age limit for the scholarship?**

No, there is no age limit to be able to apply for the scholarship.

**I have refugee status in the UK, can I apply for the scholarship?**

As a student with refugee status in the UK you will be entitled to student financial support under the same rules as Home students, therefore you are not able to apply for this scholarship.

**I haven’t finished my degree – can I still apply?**

No – you must have completed your degree and graduated to be able to apply for the scholarship. You will need to send us a copy of your degree certificate with your application form.

**Do I have to have an English Language qualification to be able to apply for the scholarship?**

Yes, you do already need to hold an English Language Qualification to be able to apply for the scholarship.

Details of eligible English Language Qualifications can be found on our website. Please note we also accept the WAEC qualification at a grade C6 or higher for students from certain African countries.

**Do I need to hold a place on a course before I apply for a scholarship?**
No, you do not need to hold a place on a course before you apply. We need to see your degree results so we can assess that you would be likely to be offered a place on your chosen course. If you are awarded the scholarship then we can quickly process your application for a course place to ensure you have enough time to get your visa etc.

Which courses are covered by the Scholarship?

Master's courses in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. Only courses in the following faculties are eligible:

- Faculty of Life Sciences
- Faculty of Engineering and Informatics (not including courses in the school of Media, Design and Technology).

What does the scholarship cover?

The scholarship covers the full tuition fees for the course, it provides a room in our accommodation – The Green, and gives you £6,665 in living costs which is paid directly to you in 3 instalments over the year. The award is final and non-negotiable and provides sufficient support to enable you to demonstrate you have met the financial conditions of your visa.

Will you pay for my air fare / visa / IELTS?

You will need to cover any additional costs such as English language tests, air fare and visa charges yourself.

Can I bring my family with me?

There is no provision within the scholarship award for students to bring their family with them. The accommodation provided is a single room only. There is no option to have another form of accommodation.

Why do I have to type my personal statement?

Your personal statement is the key part of the application and it is this that the panel will use to assess your application. Therefore it needs to be easily read by the panel.

How long should my personal statement be?

There is no set length for the personal statement. However the panel use your personal statement to assess you for the scholarship so it needs to be long enough to tell your own unique story and outline the reasons why you want to come to Bradford to study and how you will use your qualification. Therefore an ideal statement might be between 2 and 5 pages long.
I don’t have any relevant work experience, what should I write in this section?

You will need to write that you do not have any relevant work experience. However if you can think of any experiences where you have gained transferrable skills that might be useful for your course then you could outline these here.

Do I have to print off my application form and send it in the post?

We do not accept application forms sent in the post. You can type into the form or fill it in by hand (however if you do this you must attach a separate typed personal statement) and email it to us at:
bestwayscholarship@bradford.ac.uk

You can scan a copy of your application form and attach it to the email if you cannot attach the document directly.

How will I know if I am awarded the scholarship?

The successful candidates will be contacted by email by the 29 June.

How will I know if I have not been awarded the scholarship?

If you have not had an email from us by the 29 June telling you that you have been offered the scholarship, then your application has unfortunately been unsuccessful.

What documents do I need to send with my application form?

Please send a copy of your degree certificate and a transcript of your marks if you have one. You also need to send proof of your English Language qualifications. You do not need to send a copy of your passport or a CV.

Do I need to get my certificates translated?

No, as long as we can clearly see the result that you obtained, then you do not need to get your certificates translated.
What is a University of Bradford Number and do I need to put it on the form?

When you get a place on one of our courses you are given a student number – a University of Bradford (UB) number. It consists of 8 numbers e.g. 16935472. If you haven’t applied for a place on a course then you will not have a UB number, therefore you can leave that bit of the form blank.

What email address do I send the form to?

Please email your form and documents to:
bestwayscholarship@brad.ac.uk

What does self-funded mean?

This means that you are not being sponsored by a company or your Government to come and study a course. You and your family will be paying your fees yourself.

Do I need to sign the form and scan it?

You can either sign the form and scan it, use an electronic signature or type your name.

Do I need to put a course on the form if I haven’t been offered a place to study at Bradford?

If you have not been offered a place to study yet, please write down the course (or courses) you would want to study if you came here. We need to know what course you would want to do and how your work experience relates to your chosen area of study.

What qualifications do I need to apply?

- 4-year Bachelor degree with an overall average of 60% or a gpa of 2.5/4.0 or First Division or a Master's degree with an overall average of 60% or a gpa of 2.5/4.0 or First Division