

## Santander Scholarships 2025-26

### Terms & Conditions

#### Overview

Santander Scholarships 2025-26 is a new initiative designed to support current university students in reaching their full potential and enhancing their future career prospects. This scholarship supports students who demonstrate potential and ambition and make the most of their university experience.

The scholarship will provide £5,000 to current full-time students enrolled in any year of study during the 2025/26 academic year in undergraduate or postgraduate study at a Santander Universities' partner university (see a full list of partners on page 4).

The scholarship will support students with the cost of education-related expenses such as tuition fees, course materials, accommodation, or other essential costs that enable continued access to higher education.

There will be a minimum of 2 scholarships awarded by each university taking part in this scholarship opportunity and with some selected universities offering 6 scholarships. You can check the number of scholarships your university will be awarding by viewing the Santander Scholarships 2025-26 landing page under the dropdown for the named university.

Before you apply for the Grant, please take the time to read through the Terms and Conditions and ensure that you meet all the criteria listed below.

#### Terms & Conditions

These Terms and Conditions apply to the **Santander Scholarships 2025-26** (to be collectively referred to as the 'grant').

By applying to the grant, applicants agree to be bound by the following Terms and Conditions:

1. The grantor is Santander Universities UK (a division of Santander UK plc, 2 Triton Square, Regent's Place, London, NW1 3AN, United Kingdom).

#### Eligibility criteria

1. Applicants must be aged 18 or older at the time of applying and a UK resident.
2. **Applicable to applicants in England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales:** Applicants must be current full-time students who are enrolled in any year of study during the 2025/26 academic year in undergraduate or Postgraduate study at a Santander Universities' partner university (see a full list of partners on page 4). Any degree discipline is welcome.
3. Applicants must qualify as a Home Fee Status student.
4. Check the specific requirements for your university by selecting your university from the dropdown option on the Santander Scholarships 2025-26 landing page and meet any additional criteria as outlined there by your university.
5. Create an account on Santander Open Academy to apply (if you're not registered already).
6. You must know your student ID number and provide it via the application form.
7. You must have completed the assessment on the Santander Open Academy Platform by the closing date **19 February 2026** (hereinafter, the 'Online Assessment'). This Online Assessment involves a series of questions to assess the skills and abilities of the applicants to select the scholarship winners. (The link for the assessment will be included in an email from Santander Open Academy that confirms your application form submission was successful).
8. Applicants must confirm they meet the above criteria (points 1-4) upon submitting their application.

## Submission criteria

1. Applicants must apply for the Grant via the Santander Open Academy platform any time from **09:00am (GMT) on 01/12/2025 until 11:00pm (GMT) on 19/02/2026**. The grantor reserves the right to close the Grant early in exceptional circumstances (acting in its discretion).

2. Applications not submitted in accordance with these Terms and Conditions, or applications which are delayed, duplicated, incomplete, illegible, mislaid or lost through technical problems will be disqualified. No responsibility is accepted for such entries. Proof of submission online won't be accepted as proof of submission.

3. Applicant submission is not complete if you do not complete the Online Assessment associated with the application form by the closing date. (The link for the assessment will be included in an email from Santander Open Academy that confirms your application form submission was successful). If you don't complete the Online Assessment for any reason, your application won't be considered for the scholarship.

A preview of the application questions can be found in the Application Guide which you can download from the application landing page.

## Assessment and selection process

Each University is responsible for verifying that students meet the eligibility criteria using personal data available in its databases. During the application process, applicants will be asked to provide their consent for their university to process the special category data they submit in their application.

**The university's decision on the allocation of the award, in accordance with these terms and conditions, is final. There is no appeal process.**

When assessing applications, the university will aim to identify students who will benefit the most from the scholarship. Your university may set additional requirements and follow their usual internal procedures for implementing the scholarship including any prioritisation on awarding, as long as these don't conflict with the general terms and conditions outlined. If your university has outlined any additional criteria, you can find them on the Santander Scholarships 2025-26 landing page under the dropdown for the named university.

Places will be assigned according to the following criteria:

- meet the admission criteria (set out in the eligibility of these Terms and Conditions)
- results of the Online Assessment
- meet your university's requirements as outlined on the Santander Scholarships 2025-26 landing page under the dropdown for the named university.

## Terms and conditions for the Scholarship

1. Applications are open for all individuals who meet the criteria as listed in the 'Eligibility criteria' section above.
2. In order to be considered for the Grant, applicants must meet all points listed in the 'Submission criteria' section above.
3. Each applicant can only apply to the Grant once.
4. It is the applicants' responsibility to ensure they read and understand the eligibility criteria and submit their application appropriately, on time and following the application instructions and requirements as indicated on the Santander Open Academy platform.
5. The successful applicants will receive a confirmation email (informing them that they been awarded) via the Santander Open Academy platform on 17/03/2026.

**If you're chosen as a winner, you must accept the grant within 7 days (by 24/03/2026).** You can do this by clicking on the link in the successful email sent by Santander Open Academy. You

can also accept from the 'My Learning' section in your profile menu once logged into Santander Open Academy. Failure to do this within the time period will result in the grant being reassigned to another student from your university following the original process.

6. Once you have accepted the grant, you can expect to hear directly from your university by email within 14 days so they can confirm the grant payment process of your £5,000 scholarship. Your university is responsible for making the grant payment and determining when the grant is paid to you as per their grant payment process and they will advise you of this if you're selected as a scholarship recipient.
7. To ensure that all the scholarships available are all allocated, the university will select a few students to be on a waiting list. Students who are on the waiting list may be contacted at a later date to be informed that they have been offered the scholarship should an award become available. Being placed on the waiting list is not a guarantee of a grant.
8. If a student doesn't pursue their studies at the awarding university, they may be asked to return the scholarship funds, and the university must reassign the scholarship to the next eligible applicant.
9. By participating in the grant application process, you acknowledge that if you accept the grant, your university will contact you to inform you of your successful application and discuss further details regarding the grant.
10. Winners of the Grant may be invited by your university to inquire if you'd be willing to share your grant experience with Santander and the university for testimonial or promotional purposes. Participation is entirely voluntary, and this won't affect your chances of winning the grant.

This may include:

- a) Sharing blogs, vlogs, or annual reports about your scholarship journey
- b) Sharing a statement about your scholarship and photograph of yourself
- c) Participating in a film message or providing a case study to encourage further donations
- d) Engaging with donors at a meeting or event
- e) Peer support by participation in a scholarship recipient network
- f) Sharing your scholarship news on your social media channels

This is not an exhaustive list. Please note, the university and/or Santander won't publish a testimonial or a case study without the relevant student's permission.

### **General terms**

1. The grantor reserves the right to withdraw any application to the Grant that is found to be in breach of any of the pre-established conditions and / or rules laid out in the Term and Conditions.
2. The grantor reserves the right to update or amend these Terms and Conditions or foreclose the grant without prior notice at any time.
3. The grantor reserves the right in its sole discretion to disqualify any individual that corrupts or affects the administration, security, fairness, integrity or proper conduct of this grant.
4. The grant and these Terms and Conditions are governed by English law and any disputes will be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England.
5. To the fullest extent permitted by law and excluding death or permanent injury caused as a result of the grantor's negligence, the grantor accepts no liability for loss or injury as a result of the grant or receipt or misuse of any prize fund.
6. No cash or other alternatives to the grant will be offered and the grant is not transferable.
7. The grantor accepts no responsibility for applications lost, damaged or delayed in transit.
8. The decision of the grantor is final, and no other correspondence will be entered into.
9. The grant will be provided by the Santander Universities partner university which the student attends.
10. The grantor may disclose any information related to the applicants (i) to any person as required or requested by law/regulation, to any regulatory or supervisory body, or in connection with any claim, dispute or legal proceedings; (ii) to any partner business or partner university or other UK university in connection with the grant; (iii) to our affiliates, in connection with the grant.

## Data protection

For information on how Santander processes applicants' personal data, please read the Santander Universities privacy notice which is available to download and read from the Santander Scholarships 2025-26 landing page.

**Santander Universities UK Partner Universities (eligible applicants must attend one of the following partner universities – see below).** For information on how the participating universities process applicants' personal data, please read the privacy notices below:

<a href="#">Anglia Ruskin University</a>	<a href="#">Open University</a>	<a href="#">University of Leicester</a>
<a href="#">Aston University</a>	<a href="#">Queen Margaret University</a>	<a href="#">University of Lincoln</a>
<a href="#">Bath Spa University</a>	<a href="#">Queen Mary University of London</a>	<a href="#">University of Liverpool</a>
<a href="#">Birkbeck, University of London</a>	<a href="#">Queen's University Belfast</a>	<a href="#">University of Northampton</a>
<a href="#">Birmingham City University</a>	<a href="#">Sheffield Hallam University</a>	<a href="#">University of Northumbria at Newcastle</a>
<a href="#">Bournemouth University</a>	<a href="#">St Mary's University, Twickenham</a>	<a href="#">University of Plymouth</a>
<a href="#">Brunel University of London</a>	<a href="#">Teesside University</a>	<a href="#">University of Portsmouth</a>
<a href="#">Coventry University</a>	<a href="#">Ulster University</a>	<a href="#">University of Reading</a>
<a href="#">De Montfort University</a>	<a href="#">University of Birmingham</a>	<a href="#">University of Roehampton</a>
<a href="#">Durham University</a>	<a href="#">University of Bradford</a>	<a href="#">University of Salford</a>
<a href="#">Edinburgh Napier University</a>	<a href="#">University of Brighton</a>	<a href="#">University of Sheffield</a>
<a href="#">Glasgow Caledonian University</a>	<a href="#">University of Chester</a>	<a href="#">University of Southampton</a>
<a href="#">Heriot Watt University</a>	<a href="#">University of Edinburgh</a>	<a href="#">University of St Andrews</a>
<a href="#">Kings College London</a>	<a href="#">University of Essex</a>	<a href="#">University of Stirling</a>
<a href="#">Kingston University</a>	<a href="#">University of Exeter</a>	<a href="#">University of Strathclyde</a>
<a href="#">Lancaster University</a>	<a href="#">University of Glasgow</a>	<a href="#">University of Sunderland</a>
<a href="#">Liverpool John Moores University</a>	<a href="#">University of Greenwich</a>	<a href="#">University of Surrey</a>
<a href="#">London Business School</a>	<a href="#">University of Hertfordshire</a>	<a href="#">University of Sussex</a>
<a href="#">Loughborough University</a>	<a href="#">University of Huddersfield</a>	<a href="#">University of The West of England</a>
<a href="#">Manchester Metropolitan University</a>	<a href="#">University of Kent</a>	<a href="#">University of Westminster</a>
<a href="#">Newcastle University</a>	<a href="#">University of Lancashire</a>	<a href="#">University of Wolverhampton</a>
<a href="#">Nottingham Trent University</a>	<a href="#">University of Leeds</a>	<a href="#">University of York</a>

