

GRADUATION 2024

GRADUATION ASSISTANCE FUND

The Graduation Assistance Fund is designed to provide financial assistance to students graduating in October 2024. The fund is worth **£70.00** and can be used toward the cost of gown hire, guest tickets and/or photography packages.

Am I eligible to apply for the fund?

To apply for the Graduation Assistance Fund, students must:

1. Have received their official graduation invitation; and
2. Meet one of the following criteria;
 - a. Have been assessed by Student Finance as living in a low-income household (i.e., £42, 875) in the 2023/24 academic year.
 - b. Have received the Sanctuary Award in the 2023/24 academic year.
 - c. Have received an award from the Winchester Learning Support Fund in the 2023/24 academic year.

We unfortunately cannot accept applications from associate students, this includes ICBS and School Direct students.

There are already graduation bursaries available for undergraduate Care Leavers, Estranged Students, GTRSB students, Young Adult Carers and BECOME Scholars. These students are therefore not eligible to apply for this funding and should contact studentsandmoney@winchester.ac.uk for further information.

We may be able to consider applications from other student groups not listed above, however this will be at the discretion of the Graduation team. If you would like to discuss this further, please email graduation@winchester.ac.uk.

How do I apply for the fund?

To apply for the fund students should complete the online application form no later than **Monday 9 September 2024**.

Here is the link to the form - <https://forms.office.com/e/x8vKmEasMC>.

Please note that the fund is limited so should we receive more applications than we can fund, successful applications will be picked at random.

When will I find out if my application has been successful?

We aim to share the outcome of all applications on/around Wednesday 11 September. Any students who have applied should check their emails during this time.

If my application is successful, how will I receive this money?

Students will not receive any physical money from this fund, we will instead provide you with a discount code that is redeemable on the Marston Events website. This discount code can then be used toward the cost of gown hire, guest tickets and/or photography packages.

We therefore encourage anyone applying for the fund to wait to hear back from us before ordering anything through the Marston Events website.

Who can I contact if I have a question?

If you have any questions, please email graduation@winchester.ac.uk.