## University of Exeter 'Green Futures' Postgraduate Taught Scholarships 2024/25: Faculty of Environment, Science and Economy

As a world-leading university in the field of environmental sustainability and climate change, we provide the ideal learning environment for students who want to play their part in building a green future for all. As part of our commitment to a green future, we want to make sure that the most capable and committed candidates from Low and Lower Middle Income Countries<sup>1</sup> have the opportunity to study at the University of Exeter - becoming the students of today who shape tomorrow's world:

- learning about the scientific, human, social and cultural issues which are involved in the vital field of sustainability;
- being equipped with the skills for a 'greener' economy and the imagination to provide solutions for a sustainable society;
- developing their global mind set, combining culturally inclusive behaviour and environmentally sound practices;
- upon completion of their studies, contributing to the economic and social development of their home countries.

Together with generous philanthropic gifts from a number of like-minded donors, the University of Exeter is offering up to two 'Green Futures' Postgraduate Taught Scholarships for study on one of our eligible Masters programmes in 2024/25. These are aimed at exceptional candidates who would otherwise be unable to pursue their sustainability academic and career goals and who will increase our University community's diversity and inclusion. The awards cover the full tuition fees and a stipend for living costs.

Scholarships are available for one-year, full-time, campus-based Postgraduate taught degrees as follows:

| Faculties offering awards | Eligible 2024/25 Postgraduate taught programmes                |
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| Environment, Science and  | MSc Applied Data Science (Ecology and Evolution)               |
| Economy                   | MSc Applied Data Science (Environment & Sustainability)        |
|                           | MSc Applied Data Science (Renewable Energy)                    |
|                           | MSc Conservation and Biodiversity                              |
|                           | MSc Construction Design Management                             |
|                           | MSc Evolutionary and Behavioural Ecology                       |
|                           | MSc Global Sustainability Solutions                            |
|                           | MSc Marine and Coastal Sustainability                          |
|                           | MSc Mining Environmental Management                            |
|                           | MSc Renewable Energy Engineering                               |
|                           | MSc Sustainable Business Management (including Environment and |
|                           | Tourism pathways)  |
|                           | MSc Sustainable Development                                    |
|                           | MSc Weather and Climate Science                                |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>DAC-List-of-ODA-Recipients-for-reporting-2024-25-flows.pdf (oecd.org)</u> (eligible countries appear in the first three columns for: Least Developed Countries, Low Income Countries, Lower Middle Income Countries and Territories)

You can apply for one of these awards if you:

- are classified as an International student for fees purposes;
- are a citizen/passport holder of a Low or Lower Middle Income Country;
- already hold an offer to study an eligible Masters programme from the table above at the University of Exeter in the 2024/25 academic year (September 2024 entry); and
- have not previously studied or worked in a High Income country.

To apply, once you have your offer, follow the online application process from the Funding database entry for this award, including a personal statement (500 word maximum) responding to the following questions:

- What is your interest in your chosen programme of study and how is this relevant to a Green Future in your home country?
- How have you pursued this interest so far as an individual and with others in support of your home country's development efforts/sustainable initiatives and projects?
- What are you hoping to gain and to contribute during your study at the University of Exeter and how will a Green Futures Scholarship support this?
- What are your ambitions for after you graduate and how will you stay connected to the University of Exeter?

Applications will be checked initially to ensure that the eligibility criteria have been met. Applications will then be considered by a Green Futures Scholarship Panel. Shortlisted applicants may be invited to a virtual interview.

Green Futures scholarship recipients will be selected on:

A record of academic excellence:

• Typically, this will be the achievement of a bachelor's degree equivalent to a UK first class award.

## Interest and relevance:

- Motivation to create a sustainable future with specific interest in a particular field.
- Ability to explain the relevance of your choice of programme of study to your home country.

## Experience and potential:

- Relevant professional and/or voluntary experience in support of your home country's development efforts/sustainable initiatives and projects.
- Leadership potential can give examples of providing a supportive, inclusive environment and/or building a culture of belonging, by actively inviting the contribution and participation of all people in a project, event or working group etc.

## Contribution and benefit:

 Potential to contribute to and enrich all aspects of your chosen programme and the diverse academic and cultural profile of your cohort - aligning to the University's sustainability values.  A genuine need for the scholarship to support your sustainability academic and career ambitions, relating to educational disadvantage or under-representation.

Ambitions and social responsibility:

- Relevant future career intentions after graduation practical ability to make use of your knowledge and skills to create a sustainable future.
- Potential to become an outstanding future alumni ambassador and contribute positively back to the University, organisations and communities.

The deadline for applications for this scholarship is **30 April 2024**. Applicants for this scholarship will be notified of the outcome by 16 June 2024.

By applying for this scholarship, you are agreeing to your personal details being shared with the scholarship panel members.

This scholarship will be awarded as a full tuition fee waiver (automatically deducted) and a £16,164 total stipend<sup>2</sup> (paid in monthly instalments directly to the student), following enrolment on the specified University of Exeter programme in the 2024/25 academic year and arrival to the UK. It cannot be paid as cash or attributed to other charges.

This award is for one year only and is not recurrent for subsequent years of study.

You cannot receive more than one scholarship from the University of Exeter; if you are eligible for multiple scholarships, you will be awarded whichever scholarship has the higher value. If your tuition fees will be financed by an external body (such as an overseas government or Chevening, Commonwealth or a partner Institution) with whom the University has a shared financing agreement this award may be invalidated or superseded with a different fee arrangement.

If you expect to receive funding from a charity this may also make you ineligible to receive this scholarship.

It is your responsibility to inform us if you are in receipt of any external funding prior to enrolment; please email a copy of the award letter to admissions pg-ad@exeter.ac.uk

If you defer your 2024/25 offer or change fee status, then your scholarship offer will be invalidated.

In the event that you withdraw or interrupt your studies post enrolment then the University Finance regulations at that date will apply as regards any repayment or other requirements: <a href="http://www.exeter.ac.uk/students/finance/studentfinanceregulations/">http://www.exeter.ac.uk/students/finance/studentfinanceregulations/</a>

Please note that if you are successful and accept this award, you will be required to provide an initial profile and progress update/s to be shared with the donor/s of this award, documenting the impact the award has had on your academic and personal development. You will also be expected to meet with the donor/s of the award (virtually or in person), at least once during your programme of study, which will be supported by members of the Global Advancement Team.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> At 2023/24 rate.

In addition, you may be asked to:

- provide a photograph and written or video profile to appear in publicity material relating to scholarships and/or study at the University of Exeter;
- attend University events and participate in other internal and external communications or ambassador activity relating to your award.

You will also be asked to agree to the University contacting you following the completion of your studies to seek updates about how the award may have impacted on or influenced your career.