Multicultural Scholars’ Programme (MSP)

MSP Scholarships in Law, Business and Engineering are supported by friends and graduates of the University.

Law

One of the things I love about Warwick is its diversity. No matter where I am in the world, I know that I am never far away from someone in the Warwick family! I cannot begin to describe how invaluable the MSP scholarship has been to me over the years. The programme has offered me a talent-rich support network and opportunities at some of the largest law firms in the country. Visiting Magic Circle firms and having the chance to speak with Partners from similar backgrounds to me has been life changing. I am truly grateful to have been part of the MSP family throughout my academic years at Warwick, and I know that it will continue to benefit me as I begin my career.

Binta Balogun
MSP Scholar
School of Law

Business

From my very first week at the University of Warwick, the MSP has acted as a support system in all aspects of my university experience; whether academic, social or financial. It has created a network of like-minded individuals who both inspire and motivate one another to achieve success. I am so grateful to have been a part of it, and I now feel that I have the insight and the confidence to pursue opportunities I otherwise wouldn’t have. The financial support provided by the MSP enabled me to gain varied work experience in investment banks and professional services firms across the country and I now feel equipped with the necessary knowledge and skills to enjoy a successful career.

Obi Igweze
MSP Scholar
Warwick Business School

Engineering

There has been much in the news recently about the impending shortage of engineers within the UK and the need to significantly increase graduate numbers. One of the contributing factors to the existing problem is the under-representation of certain groups within the engineering community - the MSP funding at Warwick is one of our efforts to try and redress this imbalance. The programme has offered me a talent-rich support network and opportunities at some of the largest law firms in the country. Visiting Magic Circle firms and having the chance to speak with Partners from similar backgrounds to me has been life changing. I am truly grateful to have been part of the MSP family throughout my academic years at Warwick, and I know that it will continue to benefit me as I begin my career.

Professor Tony Price,
Director of Student Experience, School of Engineering

This scholarship scheme is funded by charitable donations from private individuals and foundations, whose wishes are that the donations are applied for the benefit of undergraduate students of Warwick Business School, the School of Law and the School of Engineering, who are resident in the UK (with priority given to students of Bangladeshi or Pakistani origin and thereafter, to students of Caribbean or African origin). The aim of the programme is to increase involvement and success of under-represented groups on campus and in their communities. The particular groups listed are currently under-represented within higher education.
About the Multicultural Scholars’ Programme (MSP)

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The University of Warwick is pleased to offer MSP Scholarships for undergraduates entering the University in September 2015. The programme was started through the generosity of two anonymous benefactors and is now supported by individual donors, Warwick graduates and external organisations.

It is the wish of our donors that the programme should prioritise help for students from poorly represented ethnic groups in UK Higher Education.

These scholarships will be available to undergraduate students based in Warwick Business School, the School of Law and the School of Engineering.

Scholars admitted to the programme will receive:

- Financial assistance of £2,000 per year, for each year of their course
- Extra support and advice from a dedicated personal tutor and careers adviser
- Mentoring within the University and from Warwick graduates
- Company visits to supporting organisations in the UK
- Opportunities for career development and other special events organised by the university to further enhance the Warwick experience

For further info please visit the website: warwick.ac.uk/usb

Who is eligible?

In order to be eligible for the Multicultural Scholars’ Programme, you must:

- Be resident in the UK and eligible to pay fees at the home rate
- Be of Pakistani, Bangladeshi, Caribbean or African origin
- Be applying for a full-time undergraduate course through UCAS and receive and firmly accept an offer of a place to study at Warwick from September 2015 on one of the courses listed (please see table on back page for list of courses in respective departments)
- Have not previously studied for a first degree
- Be applying to www.gov.uk/studentfinance for assessment for financial support and be entitled to a full or partial Government Maintenance Grant
- Be willing to sign an agreement to take full and active part in the Multicultural Scholars’ Programme

A unique opportunity

MSP is a friendly, encouraging community of like-minded individuals. 42 scholars have now graduated and another 25 are currently studying at Warwick. The Programme grows each year, so you are sure to make lots of new friends.

Many MSP graduates have gone on to have careers at ‘magic circle’ firms in the City of London, having worked abroad or contributed to their communities through charitable projects.

MSP gives students a greater chance of realising their academic potential, with the vast majority graduating with a 2:1 or higher.

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How do I apply?

If you satisfy all the criteria listed and would like to receive an application form for a MSP Scholarship, we encourage you to apply.

Download the form online:

- Application forms for the MSP scholarship can be downloaded from the University website at: www.warwick.ac.uk/applyMSP

Or request a copy by post:

- Write to: Student Funding Office University House, The University of Warwick, COVENTRY, CV4 8UW
- Telephone: Helen Cherrington, 024 7657 5327
- Email: studentfunding@warwick.ac.uk