Delphis Eco Sustainability Leaders Scholarship
for reading
Master of Studies in Sustainability Leadership
(continuous route only)
2024-26

Closing date for applications: 31 January 2024

Overview
Delphis Eco seeks to support outstanding future sustainability leaders to pursue an MSt in Sustainability Leadership degree in order to empower them to take leadership to tackle critical global challenges.

Eligibility criteria
Applications are welcome from candidates who are British or Commonwealth nationals and are in financial need. This includes applicants from low income backgrounds or without access to company or other funding sources.

The selection criteria are:

- **Sustainability leadership potential**, which will be based on:
  - Motivations for applying to this programme
  - Future ambitions
- **Academic ability**, which will be assessed based on:
  - Past academic record
  - Quality and relevance of the dissertation proposal submitted

This scholarship is available to candidates who have applied for admission to the Master’s via the standard application process by 31 January 2024, receive an offer of admission following the competitive selection process, and fulfilled any admission conditions set by the University of Cambridge.

Scholarship Value
The value of bursaries awarded may be between 50% and 100% of the Course Fee. The amount awarded will be paid directly into the recipient’s CISL-administered fee account in equal annual instalments and is not transferable.

Recipients must be able to pay any remaining fees, meet the accommodation, food and travel costs associated with attending the residential weeks, and cover any others costs that may be incurred to fulfil the course requirements, e.g. undertaking research.
Application and Selection Process

Once the standard application has been submitted, to apply for this scholarship a separate scholarship application must be submitted comprising:

- An application letter explaining the following (in less than 1,000 words):
  - How they aspire to be a future change agent for sustainability and how you will implement your experiences on the programme in your professional / personal life.
  - (This may include relevant elements of the Personal Statement submitted with the course application.)
  - Why additional financial support is needed and confirming that corporate funding has not been secured.
  - Willingness to support the activities of Delphis Eco (see below).
- A short CV.
- A brief description of the organisation that may be used for the first-year assignments and the proposed sustainability challenge to be investigated. (Applicants verbally invited for a CISL admission interview will be asked to report on this.)
- A copy of the dissertation proposal submitted with the application.

The application letter and other supporting documents forms must be emailed to Mr Gavin Johnson at gavin@delphiseco.com. The deadline is 31 January 2023.

Please note that the Scholarship process is separate from the Programme Admission process. The Scholarship is managed by Delphis Eco, and the admissions is managed by the University of Cambridge. Scholarship application will not have any influence on the admission decisions. Only scholarship applications from candidates who may potentially receive offers of admission will be processed fully. Shortlisted scholarship applicants may be invited for an additional interview, in person or by videoconference (e.g. Skype or Zoom). Further information and/or supporting evidence of any supporting factors raised in the application may be requested.

Delphis Eco will manage the application and allocation process, select the award recipient, and notify the applicant after confirming admission with CISL. There will be no obligation to award a scholarship if no eligible candidate is selected.

Candidates who receive admission offers, but do not receive written confirmation of the Scholarship award, are still eligible to join the course, but, as is the case for all other applicants, would need to provide confirmation of adequate financial support from other sources to cover the full fees and costs.

Timeline

Although admission decisions are made on a rolling basis, Scholarship applications will only be reviewed once all offers have been made. We expect candidates to be invited for virtual Scholarship interviews in April, and receive notification of a decision in June. However, confirmation of the award of a Scholarship is subject to the admission offer being confirmed, with all conditions met.

Following receipt of a scholarship

The recipient of the award will be required to submit a short report and/or testimonial on their course experience outlining the impact of the Scholarship on their Cambridge experience for use by CISL and Delphis Eco in print and/or online. The recipient will also be expected to consider using Delphis Eco as a case study for their assignments and/or dissertation, and deliver a talk or webinar on a sustainability-related topic for CISL and/or Delphis Eco within two years of successfully completing the course.

Termination of Scholarship

The award of this Scholarship may be terminated if an individual is found to be in violation of the Statutes or Regulations of the University, or of the terms of the offer letters issued to the scholar, or is convicted of any offence against the laws of the United Kingdom, or is unable to continue their studies at the University for any reason whatsoever, including having made unsatisfactory progress as determined by the University.