

## Graduate Study Funding

CISL's part-time Masters' level courses are designed for people in full-time employment; hence for most participants the applicable fees and other expense are covered by their employer and/or themselves. Nevertheless, we have compiled this document to assist applicants who may be prevented from applying unless they are able to secure additional funds from other sources.

### **CISL Funding**

#### **Bursaries for the Master of Studies in Sustainability Leadership**

The Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership (CISL) does not yet have scholarship or bursary funding available to cover the fees for the [Master of Studies in Sustainability Leadership](#). Participants are not eligible to apply to the Cambridge Trusts.

Once on the programme, small grants might be available from the Graduate Programmes Bursary Fund to support eligible research activities.

#### **Bursaries for Postgraduate Certificates and the Postgraduate Diploma**

There is limited Bursary funding available for deserving candidates on the [Postgraduate Diploma in Sustainable Business](#) (PG Dip), [Postgraduate Certificate in Sustainable Business](#) (PCSB) and the in [Sustainable Value Postgraduate Certificate Chains](#) (PCSV) who would be prevented from applying due to financial reasons. These bursaries typically offer financial support of 10-30% of the course fee, and in some exceptional cases up to 50% of the fee, to assist selected applicants.

To apply for these bursaries, candidates should submit an application form for the PG Dip, PCSVC or PCSB (available via the course webpage) and indicate in the designated place the desire to be considered for a bursary. Successful applicants will meet all the programme requirements and should make a case for why they would otherwise not be able to participate. Criteria which may be taken into account include: self-funding; affiliated to a public sector or non-governmental organisation; and/or coming from a developing country. Participants must demonstrate that they have pursued all other available funding opportunities, and will also need to provide evidence that they are able to pay the remaining course fees.

The Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership (CISL) does not currently provide scholarship funding to cover the tuition costs for the Master of Studies in Sustainability Leadership. Once on the programme, small grants might be available from the alumni bursary fund to support eligible research activities.

#### **Group Discounts for PCSVC**

To encourage organisations to send groups of employees from across their functions to attend the [Postgraduate Certificate on Sustainable Value Chains](#) (PCSV), CISL may offer group discounts for teams of 3 or above. Each group nominated group member will need to submit an individual application that meet the formal requirements, and should indicate that they are applying as part of a group. For more details contact [pcsvc@cisl.cam.ac.uk](mailto:pcsvc@cisl.cam.ac.uk).

## **University of Cambridge Funding**

The University of Cambridge has a variety of funding schemes administered by offices, departments, faculties, institutions or Colleges. Please note that the majority of them are not available to part-time students undertaking Master of Studies or Postgraduate Certificate courses.

Further information about the University's funding options are available at: <http://www.student-funding.cam.ac.uk/>

## **Other Sources of Funding**

### **UK Government Loan for Postgraduate Study**

This funding is available to UK Nationals (and individuals with settled status in the UK) who have been ordinarily resident in the UK and Islands for three years on the first day of the first academic year of their course. Applicants will not be eligible for PGL if they have outstanding student loan arrears. Students who already hold a Master's qualification (or an equivalent or higher level qualification) will not be eligible for PGL. This applies even if the previous qualification was entirely self-funded and/or achieved outside the UK. Lower level qualifications such as Postgraduate Diplomas or Postgraduate Certificates of Education will not affect eligibility for PGL.

<https://www.gov.uk/funding-for-postgraduate-study>

### **UK Government Student Finance**

Some funding is available for part time study through this scheme. Support can be received to cover tuition fees and other expenses relating to the course. Funding through this scheme may be available for EU students. The Loan is paid directly to the course provider. Most part-time students will be able to get a Tuition Fee Loan. To be eligible there are a few conditions you have to meet.

Normally you must be living in England on the first day of the first academic year of your course and be 'ordinarily resident' in the UK, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man for three years immediately before this date. 'Ordinarily resident' means where you usually live, apart from temporary or occasional absences. There are some exceptions to this rule. These exceptions are listed, along with more detailed information on qualifying for student finance, in 'Student finance - how you're assessed and paid' which is available on our dedicated student finance zone at [www.thestudentroom.co.uk/studentfinance](http://www.thestudentroom.co.uk/studentfinance)

You won't normally be able to get a Tuition Fee Loan if you already hold a qualification equal to or higher than the one you're studying for. If you've already received student finance for part of a course that you didn't complete you'll normally only be able to get finance for your current course, up to a maximum of 16 years, less the years of support already received.

<https://www.gov.uk/student-finance/overview>

### **Cleantech Futures Bursary**

Due to the generosity of one of our Alumni, Master's applicants may apply for the Cleantech Futures Bursary. A modest bursary will be awarded annually to assist the beneficiary in covering the cost of travel to the workshops and other incidentals. To be eligible for the bursary applicants must:

- Be self-funding working in a cleantech venture (less than \$10 mill in revenue)
- Possess diverse experience in business
- Not be working in a corporate sustainability role
- Meet all of the course entry requirements

To apply for the bursary applicants should submit a letter to [masters@cisl.cam.ac.uk](mailto:masters@cisl.cam.ac.uk) specifying why they require the bursary and how they meet the criteria. Bursary applications will be reviewed once applications have closed.

### **Said Foundation Scholarships**

The Scholarships Programme provides students and young professionals, recognised for their leadership potential, with educational and training opportunities that will help their career development, will enable them to achieve impact in their professional fields and ultimately to bring benefits to others in their countries of origin. These opportunities generally take the form of postgraduate scholarships at Masters and (exceptionally) PhD levels at UK universities; though other professional development opportunities are also occasionally provided.

The Foundation hopes that its scholars will form a growing network of influence, contributing to the achievement of positive and lasting change in professional sectors that are considered a priority for helping the development of their countries.

Information is available at <http://www.saidfoundation.org/scholarships-programme>

### **Funding Resources**

The following websites and organisations provide details of funding opportunities. Once again, they mostly target full-time courses.

#### **Times Higher Education Supplement**

This website gives details on where funding can be found for Postgraduate Study. [www.timeshighereducation.co.uk](http://www.timeshighereducation.co.uk)

#### **Prospects Postgraduate Funding Guide**

Provides information on sources of funding available to UK, EU and overseas students. [www.prospects.ac.uk](http://www.prospects.ac.uk)

#### **Directgov**

Provides a database of sources of funding available in the UK  
<https://www.gov.uk/funding-for-postgraduate-study>

#### **Association of Commonwealth Universities**

Outlines scholarships and other forms of financial assistance. It includes awards open to graduates of Commonwealth and non-Commonwealth countries. [www.acu.ac.uk](http://www.acu.ac.uk)

#### **The Grants Register**

This publication provides comprehensive information about the availability of graduate and professional awards worldwide. Available to buy at [www.palgrave.com](http://www.palgrave.com)

#### **Study Abroad**

This site contains full information on international scholarships to British universities. [www.studyabroad.com](http://www.studyabroad.com)