

Larmor-University Scholarship



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Application Guidance Notes 2024-
25

Deadline: 02 June 2025

Application Guidance

*Please ensure to read this guidance before you complete and submit an online application form for the Postgraduate Larmor-University Scholarship using link below. Deadline for online applications is **02 June 2025**.*

[Larmor-University Scholarship QUB Application Form 2021-22](#)

1. Eligibility

Candidates must satisfy the eligibility criteria as stated in the Larmor-University Scholarship Regulations below.

- Candidates must have graduated (from any institution) within the last three years. This may have been an undergraduate or master's-level qualification.
- Candidates must be registered at Queen's as a full-time or part-time postgraduate PhD student in 2024-25. Students registered as thesis only are not eligible.
- Candidates must hold another award/scholarship from the University or from some other funding source (excludes student loans and fee waivers). Typically, candidates awarded a DfE **Fees only award** or other endowment/scholarship may apply.

Note the successful candidate(s) must hold concurrently a scholarship funded by the University or another source (excluding student loans) alongside the Larmor-University award in 2024-25. The *combined* value of both awards must not exceed the value of a government-financed postgraduate studentship covering stipend and fees eg Department for the Economy (DfE) studentship.

- Students in receipt of a studentship covering stipend and tuition fees (equivalent to the DfE/UKRI rate) are not eligible for consideration. For 2024-25 the DfE PGA scheme/UKRI standard stipend rate is £19,237 per annum and tuition fees.
- Students in receipt of a stipend only extension due to CV19 impact on their research held at the same time as additional time fee free period (FFP) are not eligible for consideration.

Please note some University Studentships cannot be held in conjunction with any other University scholarship). Please check the terms of the other scholarship(s) you hold before you apply.

The award is tenable for one year in the first instance, but recipients may apply for an extension for a second year. An application for an extension must be clearly marked on the application form. The maximum tenure is two years.

2. What you will need to complete the form

Before completing the online form, please ensure you have information relating to current funding/scholarships you hold, eg monetary value, award dates, what the award covers. You will be asked to provide information relating to the following.

- a) Personal Details – student number to be provided.
- b) Previous academic qualifications and prizes.
- c) Current PhD Study, its impact and potential impact of the Larmor Award on your research.
- d) Funding Details - the successful candidate(s) for the Larmor-University Studentship must hold another scholarship/funding (not loans) **concurrently**. This section asks for information relating to other funding/scholarships. Candidates are required to give details of any other studentships which have been awarded for 2024-25, as well as any other funding/scholarships for which they have applied where the outcome is not yet known.
- e) Referees - please give details of two referees whom we may contact. At least one must be qualified to comment on your academic ability and skills.

3. Selection Criteria and Panel

The Panel will consider the following selection criteria when reviewing applications.

Criteria for Award	Evidence
1. In addition to degree results please specify prizes and distinctions you have been awarded.	In the space provided in the application form, state your undergraduate and postgraduate qualifications and details of prizes and distinctions awarded.
2. How will your research make a positive impact and how does it engage stakeholders? (250 words)	In the space provided in the application form, briefly outline your research and how you engage stakeholders.
3. If awarded a Larmor scholarship what is the anticipated benefit to your research and its impact.	In the space provided in the application form, briefly outline the anticipated impact on your research, and its impact if awarded a Larmor scholarship.
4. How will postgraduate study at Queen's contribute to ongoing personal development and achieving your personal and professional ambitions/career. (250 words)	On the application form briefly outline your career / professional ambitions, and how your research degree contributes to this.
5. Evidence of Financial Need and other funding obtained	Preference may be given to students who demonstrate financial need in excess of their current funding support.

The Graduate School Manager or nominee will convene a panel to assess the applications, which based on the research, academic and financial merits of the applications, will select the Larmor-University Studentship recipient(s).

4. Timeline for Decision Making

02 June 2025	Deadline for eligible students to submit their online application
From 03 June 2025	Panel Meeting(s)
30 June 2025	Candidates to be notified of outcome

Larmor-University Studentships: Regulations

Larmor Studentships and Scholarships were founded in 1943 under the will of Sir Joseph Larmor, FRS, for the purpose of increasing the value of a scholarship already held by specially deserving students. They are therefore only tenable by holders of other financial awards eg a fee only award. They have since been supplemented from university funds and are therefore now called Larmor-University Studentships.

Candidates from any subject area may apply but to be eligible for consideration, they must:

- a) have obtained, not more than three years previously, a good honours degree from any institution; and
- b) hold another award/scholarship from the University or from some other source; and
- c) be enrolled or intend to enrol at Queen's as a full-time or part-time postgraduate student for research on an approved course.

The value of the award will depend on the funds available, but will be such that, when added to the other awards held, the total does not exceed the value of a government-financed postgraduate studentship such as a Department for the Economy (DfE) studentship covering stipend and fees. Subject to availability of funds, it is expected that the award will be in the range of £2,500 to £5,000 per annum.

Normally at least two awards will be made each year and will be tenable for one year in the first instance but may be renewed for a further year. If money is available additional awards may be made to postgraduate research students under the same conditions.

Applicants for the Larmor-University studentships must submit an online application form by the specified closing date.

Candidates will be notified of outcomes by 30 June 202

