

# Sir James Reckitt Charity Bursary

## Entrants in 2025/26 Academic Year

### Summary

This policy document aims to clarify the purpose, eligibility criteria and conditions for the Sir James Reckitt Charity Bursary for the 2025/26 academic year.

The Sir James Reckitt Charity Bursary will be awarded to a limited number of 30 local postgraduate students. This funding is being generously provided by the Sir James Reckitt Charity, a local organisation which supports various causes, particularly those in relation to Kingston Upon Hull and East Yorkshire. These bursaries are intended to recognise the efforts of aspirational local students committed to developing advanced skills through postgraduate study and to alleviate some of the financial pressures that they may experience during their studies. The bursaries are intended to cover costs relating such things as maintenance (living expenses), accommodation, research trips, conferences, resources and course materials, or travel – but this is not an exhaustive list and the decision to award may be granted for a request outside of these areas if the request is well articulated and sufficiently justified as being to support a specific goal that the student may have in mind from their studies. The successful bursary holders will receive a one-off cash bursary of £1,000 to support them with their studies.

By submitting an application you agree that the information provided in your application, and additional information held by the University deemed relevant to your application, may be shared with the Sir James Reckitt Charity. Successful applicants will also be asked to write a letter of thanks to the Charity before any payment is made.

If you have any questions regarding this award please contact us through one of the recommended communication channels available on our website (Enquiry Form, Web Chat or WhatsApp).

### 1. Description of Award

The Sir James Reckitt Charity Bursary will be awarded to 30 postgraduate students local to the Hull/East Riding of Yorkshire area.

This is a competitive scholarship that will be assessed by a panel from the University of Hull. This bursary is designed to support students in financial need. The bursaries are intended to recognise the efforts of aspirational local students committed to developing advanced skills through postgraduate study and to alleviate some of the financial pressures that they may experience during their studies. The awards are intended to cover costs relating to maintenance (living expenses), accommodation, research trips, conferences, resources and course materials, or travel, but are not limited to these areas.

Please note that by applying for this award you agree that the information provided during your application may be shared with the donors. Details of the scholarship or bursary received will be retained on the student's record after graduation and will be processed by the Philanthropy and Alumni Engagement Office.

Applications must be received by the advertised deadline; late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

## 2. Eligibility for Award

This award is only available to students currently engaged in a postgraduate programme of study at the University of Hull.

To be considered for this award, applicants must:

- Be a current student on an eligible postgraduate taught or postgraduate research programme of study at the University of Hull.
- Be local to the Hull and East Riding of Yorkshire area (for the purpose of this award, 'local' refers to students whose ordinary/home residence is located in a district catered to by one of the following Local Authorities: Hull City Council or East Riding of Yorkshire Council.
- Not have been the recipient of the Sir James Reckitt Charity Bursary in a previous academic year.

All applications will be reviewed based on a holistic review of the information and quality of responses supplied in the application form. The decision of the panel is final.

In addition to the above, the successful candidate will be requested to write a thank you letter to the sponsor prior to receipt of the award, and may be expected to take part in activities throughout the duration of their studies (this could include attending at least one evening event on campus per year to meet the donors). Please do not apply for this scholarship if you are unwilling to meet these terms.

The following groups of students are not eligible for the Sir James Reckitt Charity Bursary:

- Foundation Year students
- Undergraduate students
- Students pursuing a Postgraduate Certificate or Postgraduate Diploma programme of study
- Anyone who is entering directly into the second or any subsequent year of a postgraduate programme
- Any validated provision
- Students of Hull Online
- International students
- Hull York Medical School students
- Previous recipients of the Sir James Reckitt Charity Bursary

## 3. Applications

Students wishing to be considered for the Sir James Reckitt Charity Bursary must apply via the application form by the closing date. Late applications will not be considered.

The application form includes a request for multiple essay-style responses with specified maximum word counts for each question. Submissions with text exceeding the stipulated word limits will only be considered based on content within the specified word count.

Use of generative AI is not permitted in this submission; the application must be the applicant's own work.

#### 4. Payment of Awards

The Sir James Reckitt Charity Bursary is payable to a UK bank account. No alternative is offered.

#### 5. Duration and Continuation of Award

The Sir James Reckitt Charity Bursary is a one-off award of £1,000, and is only payable once. Students who have previously been in receipt of this award will not be considered for future occurrences of this award.

Any student providing the University with false information for the purpose of gaining funding they are not entitled to will render themselves unfitted for support. No further financial awards will be made, and any awards already held will be rescinded.

#### 6. Responsibilities

Management of the various elements of the awarded Sir James Reckitt Charity Bursary reside with appropriate departments across the University.

#### 7. Scope of this Policy

This document refers explicitly to arrangements for the Sir James Reckitt Charity Bursary awarded to those currently enrolled onto a valid University of Hull postgraduate programme of study in the 2025/26 academic year.