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# QUEEN ELIZABETH COMMONWEALTH SCHOLARSHIPS (QECS)



**Queen Elizabeth Commonwealth Scholarships (QECS) provide a unique opportunity to study a two-year Masters degree at leading universities in low and middle-income Commonwealth countries. No other international programme gives students the opportunity to study in as many locations across the Commonwealth.**



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We know that young people are the future of the Commonwealth. You will be the ones most affected by the global challenges that face us all, but you are the leaders that are creating the solutions.

**The Duchess of Sussex, speaking at the University of the South Pacific, October 2018**

The scholarships are aimed at students who are committed to creating change - both in their home countries and those that host them.

QECS scholars will be supported to develop their knowledge and skills within a new country and academic environment - learning how to apply this knowledge to create solutions to global challenges whilst experiencing and learning about a new culture.

Through cultural exchange and academic collaboration, Queen Elizabeth Commonwealth Scholars help bring about positive change and find solutions to the shared challenges we face.

Consisting of 54 countries, the Commonwealth promotes international cooperation and is underpinned by a set of values that advocate democracy, tolerance, respect, equality - and much more. As an active part of the Commonwealth network, scholars will help to shape its future.

## The scholarship covers:

- Fully-funded tuition fees
- Living allowance (stipend) for duration of award
- Return economy flights to host country
- One-off arrival allowance
- Research Support Grant (on request only; subject to approval)

## Am I eligible?

You need to meet the following requirements to be eligible to apply:

- Be a citizen of (or hold refugee status in) a Commonwealth country
- Have completed an undergraduate degree at a 2:1 equivalent level

## How do I apply?

- Visit [www.acu.ac.uk/qecs](http://www.acu.ac.uk/qecs)
- There are two application cycles. The country that you wish to study in will determine when you need to submit an application. Please visit our website for more information.
- If you have any further questions about the QECS visit the FAQs

I must say that without it, this step further in my career would not have been a feasible reality. It was indeed a mighty stepping stone to me.

**Sharon Engonwie, 2018 QECS scholar who studied at KNUST**

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