

2015/16 MMU Academic Excellence Award (UK/EU Full Time Undergraduate Students)

From 2015/16 we have created a new scheme to award our high achievers for successes and achievements gained at MMU who achieve an average of 70% (at their first attempt) or greater in year 1 and year 2 of their degree course.

- Your year 1 award will be paid when you progress into year 2.
- Your year 2 award will be paid when you progress into year 3 (or final year for Full time students who will be out on their placement year in year 3).

The MMU Academic Excellence Award is **not** means-tested, therefore your eligibility is **not dependant on your household income**.

Please remember, if you are eligible, you will receive your first award in the second year of your degree in 2015/16.

Students who are eligible for the Academic Achievement Bursary (ABB) as well as the MMU Academic Excellence Awards will receive a maximum amount of £1,000 in year 2 and £500 in year 3 (or final year for Full time students who will be out on their placement year in year 3). Students will not receive the full MMU Academic Excellence Award on top of their ABB bursary.

In order to be eligible for the MMU Academic Excellence Award in 2015/16, you must meet all the following criteria:

- You commenced your full time full undergraduate degree (including integrated MChem and MEng courses, excluding Foundation degrees) in the 2014/15 academic year.
 - You must be paying tuition fees under the **higher tuition fee regime - £9,000**.
 - You must achieve an average of 70% (at your first attempt) or greater in year 1 of your degree course in 2014/15 and move to year 2 in 2015/16.
 - Your course of study is not a top up course.
 - Your course of study is **not** externally funded (e.g. through the NHS).
 - **Further terms and conditions can be found at the end of this document.**
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How do I apply?

- **You do not need to apply.** Details of your marks and progression will automatically be passed to the Student Billings Team.
 - If you are eligible, the Student Billings Team will notify you by **email** by the first instalment date.
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How much will I receive?

Year 2 in 2015/16

- £1,000

Year 3 in 2016/17

- £500

Please Note: If you are out on your full time placement in 2016/17 you will receive your final award in 2017/18. We will base your eligibility on the average marks you achieved in 2015/16 the academic year prior to your placement.

You will receive a maximum of £1,500 during the duration of your Undergraduate degree course.

How will I be paid?

- Payments will be made onto your Metcard in **two instalments**, for 2015/16 payments dates will be as follows:
 - **50%** on 21st October 2015
 - **50%** on 3rd February 2016
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Terms and Conditions

- You must be in attendance on **each instalment date** to be entitled to the full amount.

- Should MMU pay you an award to which you are **not** entitled, you **will** be required to repay this to MMU.
 - MMU may **withhold** your award in the event of poor or non-attendance on your course.
 - You will not receive any award in the event of repeat years as you would not have met the initial eligibility criteria achieving an average of 70% (at their first attempt) or greater.
 - Should you incur any **unpaid debts** to the University, MMU reserves the right to **withhold payment** of any entitlement until the debt is paid in full.
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