

The Eleonore Koch Fund 2025-26

The School of Philosophical, Historical & Interdisciplinary Studies is offering a bursary of £5,000 to assist one student from Latin America to study MA in Art History and Theory at Essex, to assist with tuition fees, accommodation, or travel costs. The bursary has been created in memory of the artist Eleonore Koch.

This bursary will be awarded to one student in academic year 2025-26, therefore the application process is competitive.

The following document outlines the full terms and conditions of this bursary. Please ensure you read them in full before you complete and submit an application form.

Terms and conditions

Eligibility

- These scholarships are restricted to students who are from Latin America.
- Applicants must have received a conditional firm or unconditional firm offer to study full time MA Art History and Theory at the University of Essex starting in academic year 2025-26.
- Applicants must have accepted their offer by 15 August 2025.

Students who are not eligible

The following students are NOT eligible for this scholarship regardless of meeting the above criteria:

- These scholarship awards do not apply to deferred entry. Where a scholarship has been awarded to a student who subsequently defers entry to the following academic year, the award will be withdrawn, and the applicant will be considered again in line with the terms and conditions that apply in the new proposed year of entry.
- The bursary cannot be continued for students repeating periods of study in any circumstances.

How to apply

To be considered for these awards you must complete and submit the application form available on our website by 15 August 2025. Alongside the application form, you must submit a 300-word supporting essay which will be considered by the selection panel alongside other applications.

Selection Process

Selection will be based on your eligibility and the information and supporting statements that you provide as part of the application process.

An initial review will take place to ensure applications meet the criteria listed. All applications that meet the criteria will be passed to a panel within the School of Philosophical, Historical & Interdisciplinary Studies.

As part of your application, you will be required to submit the following:

- A 300-word statement about why the bursary would be beneficial to you
- One-page curriculum vitae

Notification

You will be notified of the award via email to the email account that you included on your application.

You must accept your offer of the bursary within two weeks of an offer being made, otherwise the offer will be forfeited and awarded to next eligible candidate. As part of your acceptance, you must state clearly whether you would like to receive the award as a tuition fee discount or a living cost bursary, this cannot be changed following award.

Payment arrangements

- If you choose to use your bursary towards the cost of your tuition fees, this amount will be automatically deducted from your fees when you register.
- If you choose to use your bursary for your accommodation and travel costs, the bursary will be paid to you after you have officially registered onto your course.
- Other University of Essex awards can be held in conjunction with this bursary. However, if you are eligible for a University of Essex tuition fee discount, this bursary cannot be put towards your tuition fees and will be paid to you to support your accommodation and travel costs.
- If you intermit from your course, you may, at the discretion of the University, be entitled to a pro-rata payment of the remainder of your award on your return to study. Please contact the Funding Team for further information.

Award termination

- If you withdraw from your studies, or are required to withdraw within the first term, you may be required to pay back the funds to the University.

Data Privacy Statement

The University of Essex takes confidentiality very seriously, your application form will only be seen by members of staff involved in processing your application. Information is kept in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) as it applies in the UK, tailored by the Data Protection Act 2018. Personal data will be used solely for statistical purposes and electronic record keeping and may be made available to authorised University staff to allow statistical information to be analysed.

This data will not be passed to any other third party without your consent, except when the University is required to do so by law. Any formal enquiries concerning the use of data noted here should be addressed to the Head of Student Services.

Resolution of disputes

Acceptance of this award constitutes acceptance of these terms and conditions. Registered students should contact the [Funding Team](#) in the first instance for guidance regarding this award. In cases not covered by the above terms and conditions, or where a student claims exceptional circumstances, or disputes a decision not to make payments due under an award, final appeals on decisions regarding eligibility must be made via the [Student Complaints process](#). The Academic Registrar or their nominee will review the case and his/her decision will be final.

These terms and conditions apply to the academic year 2025-26. The University of Essex reserves the right to update these terms and conditions as necessary.