**SWAN Digital Bursary Fund 2025/26**

**Overview**

The SWAN Digital Bursary Fund generously supported by British Telecommunications PLC provides a helping hand to talented students to progress their studies and reach their goal.

The fund is focused on students who are working towards qualifications that would lead to a career in the digital technology sector.

There are a limited number of £1,000 bursaries available (paid in two instalments each semester).

**Eligibility**

Open to all UHI students who will be continuing their studies and registered on a course from September 2025

Support for one year only – successful applicants will be ineligible for support in subsequent years

For Full Time and Part-Time students

For UK/EU and non-EU students

**Application process**

Candidates to complete application form and return to advancement@uhi.ac.uk.

The reference at the end of this application must be completed and returned.

The university’s Digital Bursary Fund panel will meet in June 2025 and candidates will be notified thereafter whether or not they have been successful.

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| **Title:** Click or tap here to enter text. | **First name**: Click or tap here to enter text. | **Surname:**Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Nationality:** Click or tap here to enter text. | **Country of residence:** Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Correspondence address:**Click or tap here to enter text.**Postal/Zip code:** Click or tap here to enter text. | **Permanent address:**Click or tap here to enter text.**Postal/Zip code:** Click or tap here to enter text.  |
| **Email:** Click or tap here to enter text. | **Telephone:** Click or tap here to enter text. |

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| **Student ID number:** Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Current course & level of study:** Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Current college/institution:** Select your campus |
| **Course applied for:** Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Intended mode of study: Full time** [ ]  **Part time** [ ]  |

**ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS:**

Please submit the grades you have received so far.

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| **Start date**  | **Finish date**  | **Title of qualifications obtained/taking**  | **Grades predicted/achieved** **(Include Graded Unit mark if HNC/D)** |
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**OTHER FUNDING:**

If you have received funding from other sources please list below.  Please note that this does not need to include SAAS funding you have received.

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| **Scholarship/Bursary name** | **Start date** | **End date** | **Funding received (£)** |
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**STATEMENT OF SUPPORT:**

This application process will be highly competitive.  Your statement should make a strong case for why you should be considered as a suitable scholarship candidate. Please explain how this scholarship could have a positive impact on your university experience. Furthermore, you should demonstrate commitment to your future studies and career aspirations.

**Please note that any statements beyond the stated maximum word count will not be considered.**

1. **Academic success and potential**

Please write a maximum of **300 words** about your previous educational attainment. What evidence can you provide in support of your application that demonstrates your previous academic success and your potential to achieve even more in your studies?

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1. **Career potential**

Please write a maximum of **300 words** about how your course and qualifications could help you towards a career in the digital technologies sector. What are your career intentions in this sector?

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**3. Financial situation**

Please write a maximum of **300 words** about your current financial situation. In what ways would this scholarship help you overcome any financial barriers you face in continuing with your studies?

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**Any other information:**

Please use the space below to provide any further information in support of your scholarship application.

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**REFERENCE LETTER:**

As all of our scholarships are partly awarded on the basis of academic achievement/potential, we need a reference from your Personal Academic Tutor (PAT) providing details of your academic performance and any other supporting information.

Please ask your referee to complete the reference template on the following page.

**Please attach the reference letter when submitting your application form.  Forms received without this letter will not be considered.**

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|  [ ]  | I confirm that the information provided in this application form is accurate  |
|[ ]  I have read the Terms and Conditions |
|  [ ]  | I have included the completed reference from my PAT |
| **Please read the** [**Student Funds Privacy Notice**](https://www.uhi.ac.uk/en/t4-media/one-web/university/privacy-notices/student-funds-privacy-notice.docx)  |
|  [ ]  | I consent to my data being used for processing and assessing my application and the disbursement of funds \*(Purpose 1 in the Privacy Notice – REQUIRED)  |
|  [ ]  | I consent to my data and the details of my award (if successful) being stored for marketing communications. (Purpose 2 in the Privacy Notice)  |
| **Signed:** (electronic signature accepted)  |  Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Date:**  |  Click or tap here to enter text. |

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**Personal Academic Tutor Reference**

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| **Name of student:**  | Click or tap here to enter text. |

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| **Name of Personal Academic Tutor:** | Click or tap here to enter text. |

Your student wishes to apply for a £1,000 digital bursary to continue their studies next year. This is a highly competitive process and they are required to submit a reference from you in support of their application. Do you have any comments regarding your student in the following areas:

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| **Academic success and potential -**  The university wishes to support students with the potential for strong academic achievement. To what extent does this student meet this criterion?  |
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| **Career potential -** The university wishes to support students with the potential to use their studies to support their aspirations towards a digital career. To what extent does this student meet this criterion?  |
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| **Financial situation -**  The university wishes to support students who may be at risk of not continuing with their studies due to their financial situation. To what extent does this student meet this criterion? *If you are not aware of the students financial situation please leave blank*. |
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| (Electronic) Signature of PAT | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Date | Click or tap here to enter text. |