



## NMITE **Engineer** in **Here**fordshire Bursary

### **About**

NMITE's **Engineer** in **Here**fordshire Bursary is a high-level award to open up NMITE's academic programmes to Herefordshire-based individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds.

### **Award Level per individual:**

Minimum of £10,000 per year of study. Additional funding packages are available up to a value of £20,000 per year of study, dependent on means-tested circumstances.

Award dispersed in three annual instalments.

### **Award Criteria:**

To be considered for the **Engineer** in **Here**fordshire Bursary, applicants must:

- i. Hold a formal offer to study at NMITE; AND
- ii. Live within Herefordshire (Herefordshire postcode); AND
- iii. Live within an area of low participation or socio-economic deprivation (POLAR Q1 or POLAR Q2 Regions OR IMD Q1 Region)\* AND meet at least one of the following criteria:
  - Have a household income less than or equal to £25,000 pa OR
  - Be the first in their family to access higher education OR
  - Are receiving Free School Meals OR
  - Have caring responsibilities OR
  - Be care-experienced (i.e. have lived in public care or as a looked-after child, including with foster carers under local authority, in a residential children's home, or have been adopted after being in care) OR
  - Be able to otherwise demonstrate financial hardship and social disadvantage

\*Visit the Office for Students website to see a map of POLAR4 regions: [Maps of participation in higher education - Office for Students](#)

Visit the Gov UK website to see a map of IMD regions: [English indices of deprivation 2019: mapping resources - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)



## Application and Selection Process:

Application Process:

1. Make an application to study at NMITE, either through our website or through UCAS.
2. You will be notified if your application to study at NMITE is successful. At this stage, you will be notified about any financial awards that are available for you to apply for. Please note that while you may apply for more than one financial award, you can only be in receipt of one.
3. To apply for the **Engineer in Herefordshire** Bursary, you must submit the additional evidence detailed below.
4. Your application will be submitted to the Financial Awards Committee who will make a decision based on the information supplied.
5. You will be notified of the decision within one week of submitting your application.
6. You must formally enrol on to the course before the course start date to be awarded the scholarship.
7. You will be asked to sign a scholarship agreement.
8. Leave the rest to us – we'll disperse your financial award on the specified payment dates.

This award will be made on a first-come-first-served basis.

### Evidence

Sufficient evidence to demonstrate that applicants meet criteria will be required.

This will be in the form of the following:

Criteria	Evidence
Live within Herefordshire (Herefordshire postcode);	Proof of address
Live within an area of low participation or socio-economic deprivation (POLAR Q1 or POLAR Q2 Regions OR IMD Q1 Region	Proof of address
Have a household income less than or equal to £25,000	Evidence from payslips or other means of income
Receiving Free School Meals	Letter from school



Have caring responsibilities	Evidence could take the form of either : <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• a Department for Work and Pensions Allowance statement confirming you've received a carers' allowance in the past, and this has now ceased</li><li>• a letter confirming your role and responsibilities caring for that person from an appropriate third party who is close to the situation – this could be your GP, support worker, social services, or a local authority</li></ul>
Be care-experienced	Evidence from local authority