### The Westheimer Scholarships - Application Form 2024

**Introduction**

If you have any questions about The Westheimer Scholarships before you submit your application, please refer to our Guidance Notes and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) documents.

**Please note that you can apply to more than one scholarship in the Schwab-Westheimer suite of scholarships, including the Moser Scholarship and Emanuel Scholarship,** if you are eligible for them. To do so, you can copy your answers from this application onto the applications of other scholarships you're eligible for.

**Preparing to fill in the application form**

Once you begin, you will not be able to save the online form and return to it later. Therefore, please allow at least 1 hour to complete the form on the computer.

You can prepare your answers using this Word document version of the application form. You might find it helpful to type your answers into this document first, and then copy them into the online application form. Final applications must be submitted using the online form.

There is no advantage for individuals who submit their applications first, so please take your time and fill in the form carefully. We do not consider applications for scholarships if the form has not been completed.

**Closing Date**

Applications will open on 10th April 2024 and close at 5pm on 10th May 2024.

**Privacy notice**

Please note that by completing this form you are giving your personal data to the Schwab & Westheimer Trust. Refugee Education UK will use this data to process your application on behalf of the Schwab & Westheimer Trust. Please refer to REUK's privacy notice on our [website](https://02c53844-21e1-4850-80b2-9464608e515f.filesusr.com/ugd/d5aa55_14d8bb208939401dbd4d4e40a7daca37.pdf). Please refer to the Schwab & Westheimer Trust's privacy notice on their [website](http://swtrust.org.uk/documents/SWT-Privacy-Policy.pdf).

**Eligibility check**

Your application will only be processed if you meet the following criteria:

- You must be in the UK.

- You must have applied for a place at a UK university through UCAS.

- You must be a an asylum seeker (or the dependent of an asylum seeker) who is awaiting a decision or appealing a decision for asylum from the UK Home Office;

OR a person (or dependent of a person) who claimed asylum in the UK and has been granted Limited Leave to Remain or some other form of temporary status such as Calais Leave, Discretionary Leave to Remain, Section 67 leave, UASC leave.

**- You must be 30 years old or younger on the day your course will start.**

**- You must have applied to study a course in health and social care, social work, dentistry, medicine, nursing, pharmacy, or related healthcare professions (see our Frequently Asked Questions for the full list of eligible courses).**

**Section 1: Applicant Information**

We will use the information provided in this section to contact you about your application. Please ensure that you include your name as you would wish to see it on, for example, a certificate.

Title (e.g. Mr, Mrs, Miss, Dr, Mx, etc)

First name/given name

Last name/surname/family name

Correspondence address

Home address (if different from above)

Contact telephone number. Please provide the number on which you can most easily be contacted (e.g. landline or mobile).

Email address

Date of birth

Gender (in the online form you will be asked to choose one of the following options)

Female

Male

Prefer not to say

Prefer to self-describe\*

Other:

\*Optional space to self-describe gender if required:

**Section 2: University application details**

In this section you will need to include information about the universities that you have applied to, and whether you have received an offer to study at any of the universities. If you have a university offer and have confirmed this with UCAS, please provide details of your first two choices of universities.

Please list the universities and the courses that you have applied to.

Please list the universities that you have received a firm offer from.

If you have been accepted to university and confirmed it with UCAS, please indicate which are your first two choices of universities below:

First choice university

Institution name

Course name

Have you received an Unconditional Offer?

Second choice university

Institution name

Course name

Have you received an Unconditional Offer?

**Section 3: Immigration information**

In this section, we need to find out about your immigration status as it will help us understand what you may/may not be eligible for in terms of student finance.

We will use your answers in this section to help determine whether you meet the advertised eligibility criteria for the scholarship in relation to your current immigration status in the UK.

What is your current immigration status? (in the online form you will be asked to choose all of the following options that apply.)

Asylum Seeker

Dependent of an asylum seeker

Limited Leave to Remain

Discretionary Leave to Remain

UASC (Unaccompanied Asylum-Seeking Child) Leave Refugee status

Humanitarian Protection

Calais Leave

Stateless Leave

Section 67 Leave

Indefinite Leave to Remain

Ukraine Scheme

Other:

**Immigration Documents: Everyone who is shortlisted for an interview will need to give proof of their immigration status, such as by sending a picture of it or sending a copy of an electronic document. Please ensure that you have this document ready to provide if you are invited for an interview.**

Please select which documents you currently have (can choose more than one if applicable):

ARC (Application Registration Card)

BRP (Biometric Residence Permit)

Home Office award letter

Immigration Bail Letter

Solicitor's letter confirming immigration status

Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If you have this information, what was your date of arrival in the UK? (dd/mm/yyyy). Example: 7 January 2019

Please give us a brief summary of your immigration history since arriving in the UK. (For example, "I came as an unaccompanied asylum seeking child, was granted discretionary leave to remain and have now applied for an extension" or "arrived in the UK two years ago when I was 21 and claimed asylum. I am still waiting for a decision about my case.")

Do you have permission to study?

Yes

No

Unknown

Do you have permission to work?

Yes

No

Unknown

Are you a former Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Child?

Yes

No

Unknown

**Section 4: Support**

We would like to know if there are any additional support needs you may have with regards to your personal circumstances. Please be assured that any information you provide in this section will not negatively affect your application in any way. We only request this information so we can help and support you should you be successful in your application.

Do you consider yourself to have a disability and/or learning difficulties?

Yes (please give details below in the following section)

No

Prefer not to say

Details of disability and/or learning difficulties if applicable.

Do you receive Local Authority support? If applicable to you, please state the name of your local authority and the type of support they currently offer you.

Do you receive any asylum support from the Home Office? (This could be accommodation or weekly payments)

Please describe your current living arrangements (in the online form you will be asked to choose all that apply).

Living with parents

Living alone

Living with friends

Living with other family

Living in halls of residence

Living with partner/spouse

Section 95 NASS accommodation

Section 4 NASS accommodation

Living in local authority care support

Other:

Please specify your preferred living arrangements during term time (in the online form you will be asked to choose all that apply).

Living with parents

Living alone

Living with friends

Living with other family

Living in halls of residence

Living with partner/spouse

Section 95 NASS accommodation

Section 4 NASS accommodation

Living in local authority care support

Other:

Please give details about other sources of funding that you have applied to, and whether any of these applications have been successful (this should include any gifts, scholarships, loans, grants or pledges from any institution, trust, family or friends.)

**Section 5: Personal Statement**

Why do you want to undertake this degree programme, and why is it important to you?

How has your education been affected by your personal circumstances? Please describe the barriers you have faced in continuing your education, and provide details of any steps you have taken to try to overcome these barriers. (You do NOT need to disclose personal details about your asylum claim).

Is there anything else that you would like to tell us to help us get to know you better? (Optional)

**Section 6: Referee Details**

Please list two references – one academic (e.g. a teacher, tutor, lecturer) and one from a social worker, friend, employer or community group leader. We will contact your referees so please ensure that you have asked them for permission.

Referee 1 (Primary Reference; academic if possible)

Full name:

Relationship to you:

Name of the organisation your referee works for

What is their role in the organisation?

Email Address

Phone Number

Referee 2

Full name

Relationship to you

Name of the organisation your referee works for?

What is their role in the organisation?

Email Address

Phone Number

**Section 7: Declaration and submission**

All decisions by the Schwab and Westheimer Charitable Trust are taken in good faith on the basis of the statements made on your scholarship application and having considered your referees' communication.

If the trustees discover that you have made a false statement or have omitted significant information from your application form, they may terminate your application.

Please confirm you have read and agree to the statements below.

I acknowledge that this is a competitive process and that submitting an application for a scholarship does not guarantee it will be successful.

Yes

No

I agree that, if I am successful, I will notify the Trust immediately if my circumstances change before or during my course or programme of study, in particular in respect to my immigration status.

Yes

No

If successful, I agree that I may have to supply certain copies of any documents I have available to support my application.

Yes

No

I confirm that the information given in this form is true, complete and accurate, and that no information requested or other material information has been omitted. \*

Yes

No

I consent to the processing of my data by the 'Schwab and Westheimer Charitable Trust' and 'Refugee Education UK' for the purpose of dealing with this application.

Yes

No

I confirm I have read and agree to the above declaration.

Yes

No

Please let us know how you heard about the scholarships?