

# International Talent Award Guide 2024

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A guide to your application

"Central Film School offers a wellrounded, comprehensive study of all the various roles in Filmmaking. This allowed me to explore elements of production that I had never considered. Regardless of what people aim to do in the Film industry, it is crucial that they understand the roles of everyone who collaborates with the production, as making a film is a fundamentally cooperative process."

> Yasmin Mehboob-Khan BA (Hons) Practical Filmmaking

# What's on offer?

The International Talent Award has been created to help eligible international students with their tuition fees.

Central Film School has 6 partial scholarships available for high-achieving international students entering our undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in 2024. This booklet will help guide you through the application process.

# Who is eligible?

Any international student holding an offer of a place at Central Film School is welcome to apply for the International Talent Award. Successful applicants will need to have made Central Film School their firm choice and have met the conditions of their offer.



## How to Apply?

Students should apply using the merit scholarship application form on our website - <u>click here</u>

Deadline: The application form closes on Monday 15th April 2024 (5pm, UK time)

### **The Application Process**

You will be required to provide information on three areas of your application form:

- Finance Evidence of your financial status
- Portfolio Evidence of your work as a creative
- Merit submission Written statement on why you should be awarded the scholarship

The Admissions team will inform successful applicants about the outcome of their application.

### **Application Form Guidance**

The scholarship application form is broken down into four key sections;

- Section 1: General Application
- Section 2: Your Finances
- Section 3: Your Portfolio
- Section 4: Your Merit

The following section is a useful guide to assist you when filling out your scholarship application form.

### Important

It is very important that you complete the form correctly before you submit it. You are advised to read this guidance carefully and have the information ready for when you complete your application.

Please note that we are not able to change your form once you have submitted it and you will not be able to send a second application for the same scholarship.

### **General Information**

Top tips for completing this section

- Make sure you provide the same name and email address that you used on your application for a place on one of our courses.
- You will be requested to select your FEE status. Make sure you select the correct one and that you are applying for the scholarship that best applies to you (If this is in correct unfortunately your application will not be considered past Round 1).
- When asked to select your course, please select the course stated in your application form.

If you are unsure which FEE status you fall under, please book into speak with a member of our admissions team or email <u>courses@centralfilmschool.com</u> to discuss your application.



# **Your Finances**

Before you start the finance section of your scholarship application, it is important to consider the what, how and when of financing your degree.

#### What: Associated Costs

There will be many associated costs for studying for a degree, but some to consider for this application will include the remainder of your tuition fees and any maintenance support you may need whilst living and studying in London. These may include, applying for your visa and flights to the UK as well as the additional course costs listed on the course pages of our website.

#### How: Affordability

Consider how you will collect the money to pay for all of those associated costs. In this part of the form, you will need to declare whether you will be utilising Private/Personal Funds, Applying for a loan, Applying for another scholarship, Receiving Sponsorship, Utilising Parental/Guardian Funds and/or any associated persons. Definitions can be found below;

#### **Private/Personal Funds**

This option is for applicants who intend to fund their students themselves.

#### Applying for a Loan

This option would be most relevant to those applying for a bank loan.

#### Applying for another scholarship

This option would be most applicable to you if you are applying for another scholarship or one available in your home country.

#### **Receiving Sponsorship**

Perhaps your company or another organisation is sponsoring you.

#### Utilising Parental/Guardian Funds and/or any associated persons

This option is most applicable to students who are receiving money from an individual/individuals they know personally.

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## **Your Finances**

#### **Getting Ready for September 2024**

You will then need to provide some more evidence of the funding you have in place for your studies. For example details of the lender if using a loan, or who will be sponsoring you (i.e. family member, friend, company). Examples will be given below.

#### **Private/Personal Funds**

If you are employed, you will be required to include evidence of your last three payslips. If you do not have any payslips, please send us a copy of your last 3 months' bank statement and highlight your incoming pay. Alternatively, if you are using savings please submit a statement showing the amount in your savings account.

#### **General Advice**

Although the course starts in September, as an international student, you will be required to apply for a visa to enter the country prior to your course start date. Your visa application can take up to three months to be processed and, in addition to this, you will be required, as part of the terms and conditions of the scholarship, to pay the tuition fees ahead of the course start date. It's important to map out all of the costs and consider whether you can afford to study this year, even with the scholarship support. Take some time before you start your application, planning your own finances or speaking with your sponsor/bank/scholarship programme or parents/guardian to discuss preparing for these costs.

If you are unsure what evidence to use please book in to speak with a member of the admissions team or email <u>courses@centralfilmschool.com</u> to discuss your category.



## Your Portfolio

The next step in the application process is for students to provide information on their portfolio. This will be completed in two parts, first, you must answer the following:

Describe the contribution you have made towards your creative portfolio submission. What was your role? What was your process and what have you learned? (250 words)

### Your Merit

In this section, we are looking to see your aspirations for visual storytelling and how by providing you with a scholarship and a place on our degree, we will help you to excel as an excellent creative. You will be asked your thoughts on the following;

At Central Film School we want to champion great filmmaking talent and storytelling. What stories do you want to tell and how will this contribute to your home nation's film industry? Please describe any accomplishments to date that make you deserving of a Central Film School scholarship. (250 words)

Top tip: Be specific! We want to know more about your ambitions and goals with this degree. If you have any experience, here is the time to share it with us.

We are looking for scholars who will be great champions/representatives and ambassadors for Central Film School. Please give an example of when you have recently contributed to your community. (250 words)

Top tip: This does not have to be in an academic capacity, if you have an experience where you were involved in contributing to a community - please share this with us.

We would like to support students who have clear goals for their future. Please explain how studying your chosen programme at Central Film School will help you to shape your plans after graduation. (250 words)

Top tip: What is the grand plan? Where do you want to go with this degree?



### **Final tops tips**

You may find it easier to type out your answers in a separate document first, keep them for a few days to make absolutely sure you are happy with them and then copy them into the application form when you start.



Applications may be submitted up until the closing date for each scholarship, so make sure you save the date and keep it handy so that you submit it in time. Applications close on Friday 31st March 2023 (midnight UK time).



Once the scholarship results are known, you will receive an email to confirm the outcome of your scholarship application. This will normally take place approximately 2 weeks after the closing date; however, in some cases, this may take a little longer.



Please remember that you must accept your scholarship in writing so make sure to check your emails thoroughly around this time.



### **Contact Us**

If you require more information, please feel free to send an email to courses@centralfilmschool.com and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

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For more information on our upcoming open days, please visit our website