

# AIA Accountancy Scholarship (UK)

*For applications in 2023*

# AIA Scholarship Application (UK)

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### 1.0 Introduction

The AIA Accountancy Scholarship (UK) is aimed at students who are committed to a career in accounting and finance. The scholarships are a life-changing opportunity to study for the AIA professional qualification with full funding towards online tuition, though AIA Achieve Academy, and exams fees.

There are five scholarship awards allocated for 2023, two of which will be given with priority to applicants from lower socio-economic backgrounds to support the AIA's commitment to [Access Accountancy](#).

The scholarships are awarded for five years or until completion of the AIA professional qualification, whichever is sooner.

### 2.0 Timeline & Key Dates

Date	Event
01 December 2022	Applications for AIA Scholarships go live
28 February 2023	Deadline for applications
31 March 2023	Award of scholarships – applicants will be informed by email
November 2023	First exam sitting

### 3.0 Funding

The funding covers:

- 100% of the associated costs of online tuition though AIA Achieve Academy and exams fees.
- All exemption costs, if applicable.
- First year membership fees on completion of the qualification and work experience requirements.

The funding does **not** cover:

- The AIA annual student subscription payable on 1 October each year.

#### 3.1 Withdrawing from the qualification

If a scholarship wishes to withdraw from the qualification before completion they must do so in writing and they will be asked to repay the scholarship, pro-rata.

AIA reserves the right to withdraw the scholarship if a student is found to be ineligible, does not make satisfactory progress on the programme of study or fails to sit consecutive exam sittings.

## 4.0 Eligibility

To be eligible for this scholarship you must meet the following criteria:

- Complete the scholarship application form including submitting an essay of no more than 800 words in response to the question listed. Submissions need to be in English.
- Meet AIA's entry requirements for registration as a student which are 2 A Level passes plus 3 GCSE passes (in five separate subjects including Maths and English) or equivalent.
- Be a UK resident for the duration of the programme.
- Commit to undertaking the AIA professional qualification, online course of study and sit consecutive exam sitting in May and November each year.
- The application should be counter-signed by a sponsor who is 'a person of good standing in their community' or work in (or be retired from) a recognised profession.

## 5.0 Application

### 5.1 Personal details

First name:

Surname:

Postal address:

Email:

Telephone number:

Details of relevant qualifications:

### 5.2 Confirmation of eligibility

I confirm that I have read the eligibility criteria

I wish to be considered as an applicant from a lower socio-economic background and self-certify that I meet that criteria on the basis that:

I attended a lower-decile school

I am from a refugee background

I am the first in my immediate family to attend university

I was eligible for free school meals

## 6.0 Essay

Please write a maximum of 800 words on **one** of the following questions:

- What would this scholarship mean to you?
- Why is a career in accountancy important to you?

Signature of applicant:

Countersigned by:

Name of countersignatory:



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