



1. How many scholarships are there?

There are about 20 scholarships available to undergraduate and postgraduate, part- and full-time students at GMIT, NUI Galway and any other institutions across the island of Ireland. Courses will be open to first year undergraduate and postgraduate level applicants only.

2. How much funding will I receive if I am successful?

This is dependent on your chosen institution and course. Each successful student will receive around 50% of course fees. This will be paid out over your course duration to a maximum of three years for undergraduates and one year full-time or two years part-time for post graduate courses provided you have successfully completed your course exams each semester.

3. Who is eligible to apply for this scholarship?

Applicants must meet the following criteria to apply for a Galway Wind Park Scholarship:

- Hold an unconditional offer of a place for the first year of entry into the academic year 2019/20 at GMIT, NUI Galway or another institution on the island of Ireland.
- Have a home address within 20 kilometres from Galway Wind Park.

4. Applicable Programmes of Study

All programme of study will be entertained however applicants must demonstrate how receiving the scholarship will add benefit to one of the following areas; energy efficiency, safety, social and environmental sustainability, recreation and tourism with education and skills development.

5. How will applications be shortlisted?

Applications will be shortlisted on the basis of:

- Meeting the essential eligibility criteria (see the answer to question 3).
- The quality of application including an ability to demonstrate: academic excellence; the potential impact of the scholarship; and the benefit of their studies on future career aspirations.



- Demonstrate how receiving the scholarship will add benefit to one of the following areas; energy efficiency, safety, social and environmental sustainability, recreation and tourism with education and skills development.

6. Will other factors contribute to the success of my application?

Priority consideration will be given to:

- Applicants with a home address within an immediate 20 km radius of Galway Wind Park.
- In the event that the applications of multiple candidates for a Scholarship are of the same standard, weighting will be given to applicants who are able to demonstrate financial need. Demonstration of financial need is determined by eligibility for NUIG, GMIT or chosen institution.

7. What is the application deadline?

All applications must be sent by post and include supporting evidence is **Friday 4 October, 2019**. Please note that applications received after this date will not be considered.

8. Where do I send my completed application?

Please send completed application form by registered post to your chosen University or College:

Galway Mayo Institute of Technology

The Galway Wind Park Scholarship
Office of Academic Affairs
Dublin Road
Galway

National University Ireland Galway

The Galway Wind Park Scholarship Student
Services, Áras uí Chathail
University Rd, Galway

For all other institutions across the island of Ireland

The Galway Wind Park Scholarship Team
C/o SSE, Red Oak South, South County
Business Park, Leopardstown,
Dublin 18W688

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9. Who do I contact if I have any queries?

- GMIT StudentReg@gmit.ie
- NUIG GWP.Communityfund@sse.com
- Across the island of Ireland GWP.Communityfund@sse.com

Each educational partner will aim to respond within 3 working days.

Please note that applicants are expected to read the information on the website/application form before seeking assistance.

Please ensure that you allow sufficient time (a minimum of 5 working days) prior to the deadline of Friday 4 October if sending a query to the email address.

10. When will I know if my application has been successful or not?

The panel will meet to consider the applications during the last week of October. It is expected that both successful and unsuccessful applicants will be contacted regarding the outcome of their application by the end of October, 2019.

11. If I am unsuccessful, will I receive feedback on my application?

Unfortunately due to the expected high volume of applications individual feedback will not be possible.

12. How do I access an application form?

Applicants may download an application form by clicking on the following link and referring to the details on the Galway Wind Park Project Page ireland.sse.com/Galwaywindpark

13. Will my documentation be returned?

Unfortunately original documents cannot be returned therefore you are advised to make a photocopy of any documents that you might need to retain for your own records.



14. How will I know if my application has been received?

Please ensure you have sent your application by registered post. You will be able to track its progress using the An Post tracking reference number. Alternatively, if you have provided an email address on your application form, you will receive an email to confirm receipt of your application. Please note that no further information will be provided on the progress of your application until all applicants are contacted.

15. If I am successful how quickly will I receive the scholarship funding?

Successful applicants will be formally notified by GMIT, NUIG or the GWP Community Fund Team of their individual payment schedule. Each recipient will be required to attend an Award Ceremony.

16. If I am successful are there certain expectations I must fulfil?

Terms and conditions of the SSE Airtricity Scholarship are included in Appendix A of the application form. All successful applicants will be bound by the contract which they must sign prior to and upon receipt of funds by way of a funding agreement.

17. If successful do I have to apply every year?

No, if you remain in good academic standing and progress through your programme as anticipated, you will receive your scholarship for the duration of your chosen course subject to agreed terms and conditions. Work placement, gap and Erasmus years are not eligible for funding.

18. If unsuccessful can I reapply next year?

If you did not take a course place for 2019/20 you may re-apply the following year.