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INTRODUCTION TO SCHOLARSHIPS

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Scholarships form an important part of the Cranleigh Abu Dhabi school model. Scholars add an energy and vibrancy that enhance community spirit, showcase a diversity of talents and encourage excellence from peers.

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Scholarships are awarded to outstanding students who excel in their specialist areas and beyond. Students who show the ability, passion and drive to step outside their comfort zone, who seek to be challenged, and who consistently demonstrate excellence are encouraged to apply for the programme. Being recognised as a Cranleigh Scholar is an honour and we have high expectations of these students to help support the wider Cranleigh Community in pursuit of excellence.

What is the Cranleigh Abu Dhabi Scholarship Experience?

Throughout the academic year, scholars are supported by their Scholarship Lead Tutor, who will serve as a mentor and guide to encourage further enrichment. Scholars will also participate in Scholars' forums, competitions and initiatives, as well as accessing specific Co-Curricular offerings and leadership opportunities.

What is the role of a Cranleigh Abu Dhabi Scholar?

Cranleigh Scholars are role models and positive influencers. They are as invested in self-development as they are committed to the school and the Cranleigh Family. Scholars have high standards of themselves and others. They appreciate the importance of the process, as well as the outcome. They take pride in supporting others and leading by example. They epitomise the Cranleigh Spirit.

Should I apply for a Scholarship?

You should consider applying for a Cranleigh Scholarship if you are at least one of the following:

- a high achiever across a range of subjects (Academic, STEM)
- a talented athlete (Sport, Golf)
- a strong, confident performer in the Performing Arts (Drama, Dance, Music)
- a talented artist (Art)

Applicants should have a track record of success and demonstrate genuine enthusiasm for their specialist area(s). We look for an inherent desire to grow, develop and be challenged. Independence of thought and active contribution to the Cranleigh Community is also beneficial to applications.

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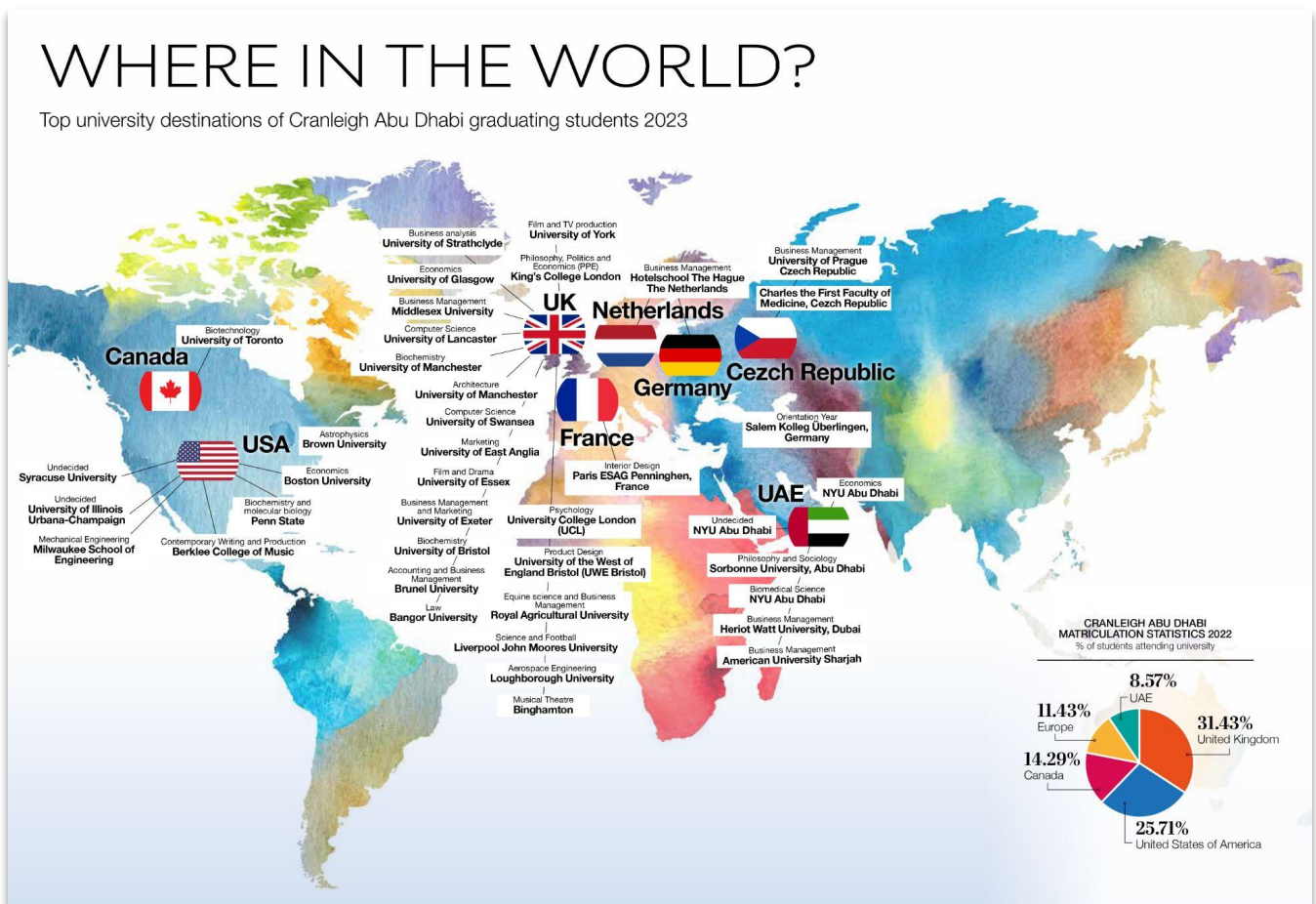
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What types of Scholarships are awarded at Cranleigh Abu Dhabi?

Cranleigh Abu Dhabi award Scholarships in the following categories:

1. Academic Scholarship

Academic Scholarships are awarded to students who are inspired by all aspects of learning and take a genuine interest in the intellectual world. Academic Scholars will have a track record of achievement in a range of subjects, and they will be regularly demonstrating their potential to become Cranleigh’s academic leaders. Our expectation is that Academic Scholars will be among the top performers in their Year group regarding our internal and, later, public exams. We expect most Academic Scholars to be at an academic level where ultimately, they could apply to Oxbridge, Ivy League or other world-leading universities.



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2. Art Scholarship

Art Scholarships are awarded to those who demonstrate that their passion and accomplishment extend beyond work completed within the school curriculum. Art Scholars will be expected to select Art as a GCSE option, or for those students entering the Sixth Form, to select Art or Photography as an A Level option. Participation in competitions, courses and evidence of sustained and high-level interest will be important. Cranleigh Art Scholars participate in our Art Scholarship programme which includes visiting areas of the Cultural District, such as the Louvre, and Abu Dhabi Art Fair. Each Art Scholar will have the capacity and passion to develop a substantial and diverse portfolio of work through this programme of study. The culmination of which will be the Art Scholars' Exhibition at the end of the year.



3. Golf Scholarship

Golf Scholarships are designed to support students who are already demonstrating an exceptional talent for the sport. Golf Scholars attend coaching and practice sessions at Saadiyat Beach Golf Course. Golf Scholars need to be dedicated to their academic studies to maintain high standards whilst following a rigorous Golf programme. However, students who are awarded a Golf Scholarship tend to see an improvement in their academic progress and attainment; their growth in confidence, levels of motivation and ability on the golf course is mirrored in the classroom.

Click [here](#) to enjoy the Cranleigh Golf Scholarship video.

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4. Performing Arts Scholarship

Scholars demonstrate exceptional talent in one or more of the Performing Arts specialisms.

We award individual scholarships in:

- Drama
- Music
- Dance

Scholars have a genuine passion in their discipline and across the Performing Arts in general. They thrive on participation and collaboration with like-minded peers and enjoy sharing their creative work with others. They are role models within the school and set the highest standards, performing regularly in assemblies, attend internal and external workshops and complete research about inspirational practitioners. Students who excel in a range of disciplines may be awarded a Performing Arts Scholarship. Scholars in the Performing Arts are expected to select at least one of the Performing Arts disciplines for GCSE or A Level where applicable.



5. Sport Scholarship

Sport Scholarships are awarded to students who are highly achieving, both at Cranleigh and at external clubs and organisations. The Sport Scholarship at Cranleigh is designed to ensure that those students who are talented athletes are provided with every opportunity to achieve their highest goals. They are expected to demonstrate the highest level of sportsmanship. They are required to be well organised and dedicated to balance the demands of their extracurricular pursuits with their academic studies. We consider the following sporting disciplines: football, netball, rugby, swimming, basketball, volleyball, athletics and cricket. Applicants who are talented across a *range* of Cranleigh's sports may be prioritised.

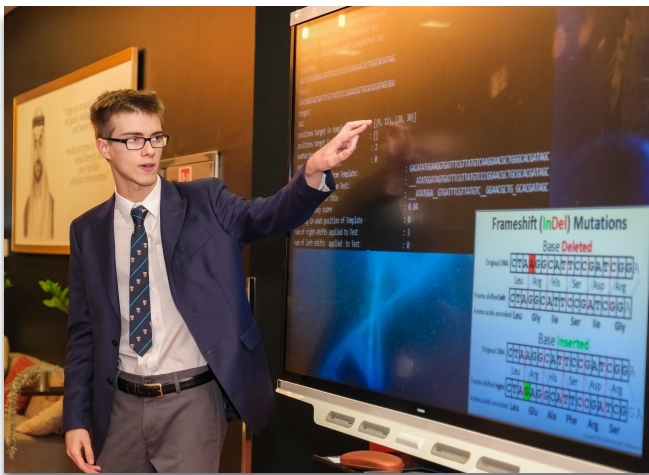
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6. STEM Scholarship

STEM Scholars have a genuine passion and strong ability in one or more of the STEM subjects: Science (Physics, Biology, Chemistry), Design & Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Computer Science. The STEM Scholarship is similar to the Academic Scholarship in that scholars will have a track record of achievement and enthusiasm for STEM subjects, both inside and outside the classroom. It is anticipated that STEM Scholars will have the academic ability, experiences and passion for applying to top-tier universities to study a STEM related subject.



7. Sixth Form Scholarship

Similar to the Academic Scholarship, the Sixth Form Scholarship is awarded to students who achieve an outstanding set of results in their GCSE examinations, who have been active members of their community and who have demonstrated the qualities of a Cranleigh Scholar alongside their academic ability. The Sixth Form Scholarship is awarded to students by the Scholarship Committee in August, after we have received the public examination results.

There is no application for this scholarship.

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How do I apply for a Scholarship?

Selection criteria vary depending on the award, but in all cases, we look for solid evidence of achievement and the potential for ongoing development. Applicants should demonstrate the capability to think independently and actively contribute to the Cranleigh Community.

All applicants are required to:

- complete the Scholarship application form.
- complete a written statement (max 200 word) explaining their reasons and motivations for a Scholarship application.
- list, and provide examples if appropriate, of significant achievements, both inside and outside school, relevant to the Scholarship for which they are applying. Please note, we will already have access to standardised and termly data (both internal and external applicants) and therefore it is not necessary to provide evidence of grades in this format.
- provide evidence to show that they will add value to the Cranleigh Community.



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Further supporting evidence is also required for:

Art

A portfolio or photographs of personal work produced by the student in their own time, as well as work produced in school, clubs or holiday courses. Three-dimensional work such as pottery, sculpture and design projects can be presented in an online portfolio through good quality photographs. Applicants should demonstrate imaginative, thoughtful and creative responses in a variety of media.

Golf

All applicants must submit a video showcasing their skills and/or performance in a Golf match or competition. An audio presentation from the student about their achievements could also be used to strengthen the application. The video recording should not last longer than 10 minutes. If shortlisted, applicants will be requested to attend a practical 1:1 assessment on the golf course and an interview.

Performing Arts

All applicants must submit a 1-2 minute pre-recording of one or more of the following:

- a monologue from a published play (drama)
- a dance in any style (dance)
- an instrumental or vocal performance (music).

Sport

All applicants must submit a video showcasing their skills and/or performance in a game or competition in their chosen sport/s. An audio presentation from the student about their achievements could also be used to strengthen the application. Video and audio recordings should not last longer than 10 minutes. Multiple videos can be uploaded to showcase ability in a range of sports.

STEM

All applicants must submit photographs of personal work produced by the student in their own time, as well as work produced in school, clubs or holiday courses. Robotics, homemade projects or any work that relates to the Sciences, Maths, Design & Technology, Engineering and/or Computer Science will strengthen the application.

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Additional Information

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Cranleigh Abu Dhabi's offers Scholarships as follows:

Scholarship: students awarded a Scholarship in one or more of these categories - Academic, STEM, Drama, Dance, Art, Sport - will receive a 5% fee reduction.

Exhibitioner Scholarship: students awarded an Exhibitioner Scholarship in one category will receive a AED750 voucher to spend as per the voucher's terms and conditions. Students who are awarded an Exhibitioner Scholarship in more than one category will receive vouchers amounting to AED1000.

Sixth Form Scholarship: students who achieve exceptional GCSE grades may be awarded a Sixth Form Scholarship. The Principal, Director of Student & Staff Development and the Head of Senior School will review the grades of incoming Year 12 students in order to set the criteria – this will be determined in August following the release of exam results from the Exam Boards. A student awarded a Sixth Form Scholarship may receive up to a 10% fee reduction. In cases where a student holds a discount amounting to more than 10%, the highest fee deduction will be maintained.

Music Scholarship: students awarded a Music Scholarship will receive free in-school tuition on their primary instrument or will select a second instrument for which they will receive free in-school tuition. The list of instruments qualifying for free tuition is at the discretion of the Director of Music, and approved by the Principal.

Music Exhibitioner Scholarship: students awarded a Music Exhibitioner Scholarship will receive a discount of AED750 against their in-school instrumental tuition.

Golf Scholarship: students awarded either an Elite or Development Golf Scholarship will receive free golf tuition (number of days dependent on Award), support in preparing for, and access to, inter-school, national and international tournaments.

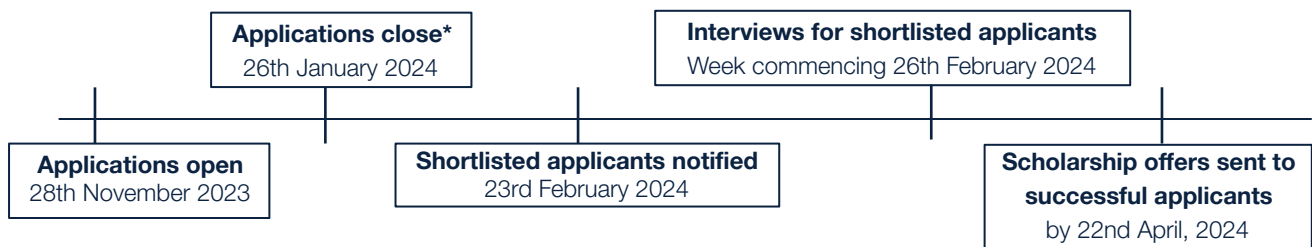
* all benefits are correct at the time of writing. However, they are at the discretion of the Principal and remain subject to change. In exceptional circumstances, additional support with fees may be considered.

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KEY DATES & APPLICATION FORM

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APPLICATION TIMELINE



** Applications for a Scholarship do not close for students who are applying for a place at Cranleigh from a different school*

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