



ENDEAVOUR
SCHOLARSHIPS SCHEME



INFORMATION MEETING

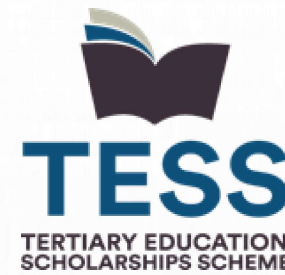
JULY 2020



- ENDEAVOUR 6th Call & TESS 3rd Call Scholarships Schemes
- These are **Two distinct Schemes** but both offering Scholarships at Post Graduate level
- As from last year **Endeavour** is offering Scholarships at **MQF Level 7 only**
- TESS at both MQF Level 7 & Level 8
- ENDEAVOUR Scheme is an ESF project part financed by the European Union, European Social Fund.
- TESS is a Nationally funded scheme
- Both Schemes are Administered by the Scholarships Unit – within the Ministry for Education & Employment.
- Selection: is carried out by Separate Boards.



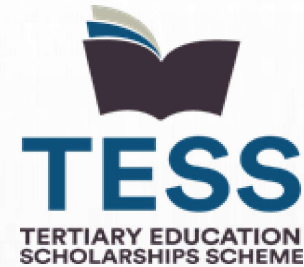
- **Both Endeavour & TESS Scholarships Schemes were launched on 13th July 2020.**
- **Each scheme has its own set of regulations which are accessible through our website: www.myscholarship.gov.mt**
- **An online application is available and accessible through the same website mentioned above.**
- **Applicants need to have an active e-I.D. to apply.**
- **Prospective applicants are advised to first go through the regulations and then move on to the application.**
- **Applicants are also advised to prepare beforehand the mandatory documents needed to be attached with the application before starting to navigate the application (see Clause 8).**
- **Please make sure that you receive an automatic acknowledgement after submission of application.**



- Only applications submitted through the established online system are acceptable.
- Applications' deadline is 31st July 2020 noon (local time).
- Applicants can only submit 1 application *either under ENDEAVOUR or TESS (changes in the dates should render applicants ineligible)*
- Late and incomplete applications will not be accepted.
- Applicants should make themselves available for the interview.
- Interviews are expected to be carried out between August and September depending on the number of applications received and availability of board members and other logistic matters
- Skype facility will be offered but restricted.

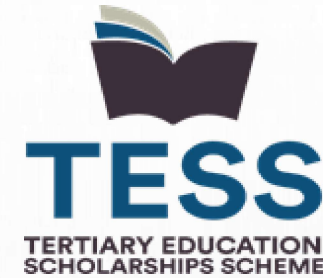
- **Scholarships are tenable either in Malta or abroad. (clause 5.1)**
- **Applicants may apply to read for full-time or part-time/ distance learning programmes with any Educational Institution as long as the institutions mentioned on the application are recognised and the programmes chosen are accredited (see Clause 5.1)**
- **Applicants are recommended to mention more than just one institution. Applicants may mention up to 5 recognised Educational Institution and accredited programmes. No changes in the list of institutions are allowed after the closing date for application (see Clause 6.1)**
- **Applicants are obliged to provide an evaluation statement for past qualifications attained from Level 5 or higher from NCFHE/ MQRIC (excluding UoM, MCAST & ITS) for those Educational Institutions and qualifications that do not feature in the “List of Accredited Courses offered by Licensed Institutions) (see Clause 4.09 End. & 4.1.14 TESS).**
- **Applicants are also obliged to provide an evaluation statement for the prospective programme that they are intending to read for under these scheme the same as above (see Clause 5.2)**

- **Applicants who are already in possession of a masters degree may also apply to read for another masters ONLY under the Endeavour Scheme but they are not allowed to apply to read for programmes below masters degree; such as Post Graduate Diploma (see Clause 4.02)**
- **Applicants who are already in possession of a Level 8 doctoral degree / professional doctorate or comparable qualification to level 8 are not eligible to apply under these schemes (see Clause 4.02).**



IF APPLYING FOR MQF LEVEL 7

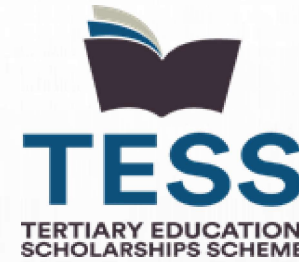
- In the case of the ENDEAVOUR Scholarships Scheme **only** those applying to read for a course / programme of study at MQF Level 7 **of up to not more than 2 years (24 months)** (see Clause 4.01.2 END.)
- If course / programme at MQF Level 7 is **longer than 2 years** (24 months) such applicants can **only** apply under the **TESS Scheme**. (see Clause 4.01.2 TESS)



- **If applying for MQF Level 8 such applicants can only apply under the TESS Scheme.**
(Clause 4.1.2 TESS)

- Applicants that who by the closing date of application are still undergoing another programme of study may still apply, provided that such programme is to be concluded and results published by December 2020, that is, before entering into agreement if awarded an ENDEAVOUR or TESS Scholarship (**Clause 4.05 End. & 4.1.7 TESS**).
- Applicants who have already started their programme of study before 13th July 2020 (launching of schemes) are only eligible to apply under the TESS Scheme, provided that the end date of their programme must be in **2021 or after**. In such cases, the grant will be worked pro rata and applicants will be eligible for funding of expenditure incurred **from January 2019** onwards. Such applicants are still obliged to provide a ULA/ Registration Letter.

(see Clause 4.1.6 TESS)



- There is a common set of priority areas (15 areas) applicable for both schemes.
- The priority areas are part of the regulations and hence indicated in schedule I of the respective scheme's regulations.

(section 17 ENDEAVOUR or section 16 TESS.)

- Applicants are required to indicate the priority area related with their respective chosen programme of studies.

Level	Start Date	Modality	Maximum Duration
MQF Level 7	Between 13 th July 2020 and 31 st December 2020	Full-Time Part-Time Distance Learning	Up to 2 Years (24 months) (Section 11 – Table 1) Under all modalities

Level	Start Date	Modality	Maximum Duration	Publication of Results
MQF Level 7	Throughout 2020	Full-Time Part-Time / Distance Learning	Of more than 2 years but not exceeding 4 Years. Up to 5 Years Up to 5 Years	(Section 11 - Table 1 – Scholarships Grant)
MQF Level 7	Started before 2020	Full-Time Part-Time Distance Learning	Up to 4 Years Up to 5 Years Up to 5 Years	2021 or after 2021 or after 2021 or after (Section 11 - Table 1 – Scholarships Grant)



Level	Start Date	Modality	Max. Duration	Publications of Results
MQF Level 8	Throughout 2020	Full-Time	Up to 5 Years	(Section 11 - Table 1 – Scholarships Grant)
		Part-Time	Up to 7 Years	
		Distance Learning	Up to 7 Years	
MQF Level 8	Started before 2020	Full-Time	Up to 5 Years	2021 or after
		Part-Time	Up to 7 Years	2021 or after
		Distance Learning	Up to 7 Years	2021 or after (Section 11 - Table 1 – Scholarships Grant)

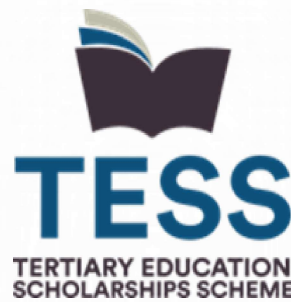
VALUE OF AWARDS MQF LEVEL 7

Level	Modality	Maximum Amount
MQF Level 7 Endeavour	All programmes whether Full-Time / Part-Time or Distance Learning Modality of up to not more than 2 years (24 months)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ For study programmes undertaken in Malta, where the qualification is awarded by a recognised Educational Institution registered in Malta the grant consist of €58 per ECTS ▪ For study programmes undertaken in other countries where the qualification is awarded by a recognised foreign Educational Institution (excluding Malta) the grant consist of €100 per ECTS. <p>(Section 11 -Table 1 - Endeavour)</p>



VALUE OF AWARDS MQF LEVEL 7

Level	Modality	Maximum Amount
MQF Level 7 TESS	Full-Time	<p>Tuition Fees + Bench Fee (if any) up to €8,000 per annum.</p> <p>If Maintenance Grants is awarded, this cannot exceed €2, 500 per annum. (provided that TF, BF and MG together do not exceed €8,000) (Section 12 – Table 2)</p>
MQF Level 7 TESS	Part-Time and/or Distance Learning	<p>Tuition Fees + Bench Fees = €8,000 for the whole duration of course.</p> <p>(Section 12 – Table 2)</p>



VALUE OF AWARDS MQF LEVEL 8

Level	Modality	Maximum Amount
MQF Level 8 (TESS Only)	Full-Time	<p>Tuition Fees + Bench Fee + Maintenance Grant = €10,500 per annum.</p> <p>If Maintenance Grants is awarded, this cannot exceed €2,500 per annum (provided that TF, BF and MG together do not exceed €10,500)</p> <p>•</p> <p>(Section 12 – Table 2)</p>
MQF Level 8 (TESS ONLY)	Part-Time and/or Distance Learning	<p>Tuition Fees + Bench Fees Only = €20,000 for the whole duration of course</p> <p>(Section 12 – Table 2)</p>



TESS GRANT FOR FULL TIME STUDIES

- The scholarship grant for full time studies consists of:
 - a) tuition fees
 - b) bench fees (if applicable)
 - c) maintenance grant
- * the grant is to be calculated on a pro-rata basis per annum based on the number of months.
- * for definition of per annum (see definitions)
- * maintenance grant if applicable shall be paid in two instalments during each academic year.

VALUE OF AWARDS

Other Allowances*

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| ▪ Scholars studying abroad | Euro 2,500 p.a. |
| ▪ Married / in legal civil union
scholars (TESS only) | Euro 2,330 p.a. |
| ▪ Child allowance (first child) | Euro 1,170 p.a. |
| per additional child) | Euro 700 p.a. |
| ▪ Gozo Scholars | Euro 1,050 p.a. |
| ▪ Awardees with Disability | Euro 2,000 p.a. |

*certain conditions apply

(Section 12 - Table 2 Additional Allowances)

VALUE OF AWARDS

Other allowances* (part-time awardees)

- **Scholars studying abroad (for short duration)**

€200 per visit abroad, not exceeding the maximum of €2,400 over 12 months.

***certain conditions apply**

(TABLE 2 – ADDITIONAL ALLOWANCES)

DIFFERENCES

If applying under TESS :

- a) Programmes at MQF 7 & 8 already started in 2020 (before launching) or prior 2020 **but** completion **must** be in 2021 or after.
- b) Programmes at MQF 7 started after the launching that **must** be **longer** than 2 years (24 months) duration.
- c) Programmes at MQF level 8 full-time part-time / distance learning

* TESS is nationally funded.

If applying under ENDEAVOUR

- a) Applying to read for courses at MQF 7 with start date between 13th July 2020 and 31st December 2020 **but up to not more than 2 years** (24 months) duration.
- b) Applicants already in possession of a master may also apply to read for another Master.
- c) MQF level 7 **only**

* ENDEAVOUR is part-financed by the European Union under ESF

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

- Applications' deadline:
 - * **Friday, 31st July 2020 at noon (local time)**
- Deadline for:-
 - Unconditional Letter of Acceptance
 - transcripts / academic records / results
 - MQRIC evaluation statements / receipt (see Regulations)
- * **Friday, 9th October 2020 at 4.00p.m. (local time)**

Unconditional Letter of Acceptance (ULA) must include the following details:-

- **Commencement date of studies (specific day, month and year)**
- **End date of studies (specific day, month and year)**
- **Course title**
- **Modality of study (whether Full time, part time or distance)**
- **Number of ECTS credits**
- **Number of obligatory visits on university campus (in case of part-time & distance learning)**
- **Tuition fees**
- **Bench fees (if applicable)**

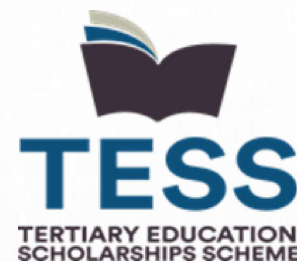
(clause 3.29 ENDEAVOUR)

Clause 3.31 TESS)

Mandatory Documents to be submitted with the online application

- **Copy of curriculum vitae (clause 8.1)**
- **Copy of the 3 appendices: i.e.**
 - **Appendix I**
 - **Appendix II**
 - **Appendix III (Clauses 8.1 & 8.2)**
- **Copy of statement (in case of ENDEAVOUR applicants)**
Please use Schedule III of the regulations
- **Residence permit (if applicable)**
- **Gozo certificates (if applicable)**
- **Disability card (if applicable)**

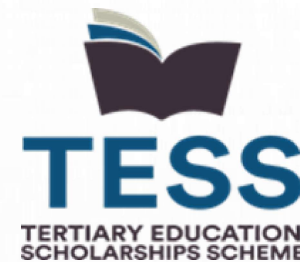
(Clause 8.1)



It is the responsibility of the Applicants, **in possession** of qualifications at MQF Level 5 or higher awarded by a foreign or local Educational Institutions (excluding University of Malta (UOM), Malta College of Arts Science and Technology (MCAST) and the Institute for Tourism Studies (ITS) to produce an evaluation report / receipt of an MQRIC application on equivalence and comparability of qualifications issued by the Malta Qualifications Recognition Information Centre (MQRIC) within the National Commission for Further & Higher Education (NCFHE) for those Educational Institutions and qualification that do not feature in the “List of Accredited Courses offered by Licensed Institutions”. A copy of the said report / receipt of an MQRIC application issued by the MQRIC, or the designated authority in case of warrants, shall be attached to the application, with the original presented at the interview.

Applicants not in possession of this report may still apply, provided that they submit a copy of the report or receipt to the ENDEAVOUR Scholarships Scheme as soon as it becomes available and in any case by not later than **Friday, 9th October 2020 at 4.00 p.m. (Local Time)**.

Clause 4.09 Endeavour & Clause 4.1.14 TESS



It is the responsibility of the Applicants, applying for qualifications awarded by foreign or local Recognised Educational Institutions not featuring in the “List of Accredited Courses offered by Licensed Institutions” (excluding University of Malta (UOM), Malta College of Arts Science and Technology (MCAST) and the Institute for Tourism Studies (ITS) to produce an evaluation report on comparability of qualifications issued by the Malta Qualifications Recognition Information Centre (MQRIC) within the National Commission for Further & Higher Education (NCFHE). A copy of the said report issued by the MQRIC, shall be attached to the application, with the original presented at the interview. Applicants not in possession of this report / receipt of an MQRIC application may still apply, provided that they submit a copy of the report or receipt to the ENDEAVOUR Scholarship Scheme Office by not later than **Friday, 9 October 2020 at 4.00 p.m. (Local time)**. The provisions contained in Clause 4.12 of these Regulations shall apply mutatis mutandis. Clause 5.02 **Endeavour & TESS**

Research Chosen

- Please choose research which is feasible and that could be sustainable .
- Not depending on other factors or circumstances beyond your control.

Full time-studies abroad

- Full-time studies shall mean studying **physically** full-time on campus at a recognised Educational Institution.

(see clause 3.14 for ENDEAVOUR & 3.12 for TESS).

- in respect of TESS awardees registered on full-time programmes abroad cannot request to work in Malta, including but not limited to:

- a) work full-time
- b) part-time work
- c) internships
- d) placements

(CLAUSE 13.6 TESS)

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