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| **Spark**University of Leeds Business Start-up Support at the Careers Centre |

 **Enterprise Scholarship Programme 2023/24**

**Application Form**

**Please refer to the notes on pages 3 and 4. NB, if you are applying as a group please copy and paste as appropriate to make sure all participants’ details are included in the application form. All applications to be submitted electronically, via email to:** a.m.archer@leeds.ac.uk **by 10.00am on Friday 03rd November 2023.**

**PLEASE NOTE WE WILL ONLY ACCEPT ONE APPLICATION PER STUDENT OR GROUP.**

**Personal Details**

Title (Miss Mr Mrs Ms etc.): First name: Last name:

Term-time address:

Postcode: Best term-time phone number:

Personal email: University email:

Home address:

Post code: Best vacation phone number:

**Course Details**

Course of study:

School / Department / Faculty:

Year of study eg. Year 1, 2, 3 etc.: Total course length (years):

Your student number (essential):

**Personal Tutor’s Details**

Title (Ms Mr Dr Prof etc.): First name: Last name:

Phone number: email:

**About You**

Each question should be no more than 150 words maximum

1. Please describe clearly below what your business/business idea is:
2. What experience have you had of enterprise?
3. What entrepreneurial achievement (at any age) are you most proud of?
4. What strengths do you have that will make you an effective Enterprise Scholar?
5. Which area of personal development could you benefit from, and why, to enhance your enterprising talent?

**Who Can Apply**

All Foundation, Undergraduate, Masters and PhD students registered at the University of Leeds for the academic year 2023/24 are eligible to apply.

**By electronically submitting this form, and if successful, you agree to:**

* **proactively update the SPARK Business Advisor and the organisers of the scheme on your enterprise activities**
* **attend the Enterprise Boot Camp (residential) on Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th December 2023**
* **regular review meetings with your tutor, business advisor and mentors**
* **comply with the University’s Financial Procedures**
* **conduct yourself in a business-like manner at all times**
* **promote the scheme to students, alumni, and the business community**
* **assist in the recruitment of future scholars**
* **pay back any funding received if you leave your course during the year**
* **participate in scholar activities, training sessions and events which may include some flexibility**
* **not seeking further funding from any of the donors or the University’s Enterprise Ambassadors without prior discussion with the Head of Spark**

**Information Workshops**

Find out about the Enterprise Scholarships on Wednesday 11th October 2023 at 14.30-15.15pm, Helix.

Enterprise Scholarships Q&A session Tuesday 17th October at 15.00-15.30pm, online.

**The Programme**

The Enterprise Scholarship Programme provides a structured programme for enterprising students to support them in their entrepreneurial activities. The successful applicants will receive financial support and mentoring, as well as professional business advice. The programme demonstrates the University's dedication to supporting student entrepreneurs.

**What's on Offer?**

Successful applicants can expect the following:

* £3,000 to help develop enterprise opportunities, plus £1,000 that the University will use to pay for your training and development
* Possibility of access to the Spark Business Incubator based in Nexus (subject to availability)**.**
* Access to a range of business mentors
* A supportive environment in which to combine academic study with entrepreneurial activities
* Access to professional networks
* Access to Helix and Edward Boyle Library Enterprise zones
* The opportunity to participate in and help build the University’s enterprise community
* The opportunity to become an ambassador for enterprise at the University

**How to Apply**

Completed applications to be submitted electronically by **10 A.M. on Friday 03rd November 2023** to a.m.archer@leeds.ac.uk

Applications will then be considered by a formal review panel and the shortlisted applicants will be invited to present to the panel at University House **on Monday 20th or Tuesday 21st November 2023.**

**Contact**

The programme is managed by Spark based in Nexus from which further details can be obtained via Angela Archer on 0113 343 5028 or a.m.archer@leeds.ac.uk