

ECB COACH DEVELOPMENT SCHOLARSHIPS



Frequently asked questions

Q. Which ECB Coach Development programmes are covered by the programme scholarship?

A: ECB Support Coach, ECB Foundation I Coach, ECB Advanced Coach and ECB Specialist Coach programmes are all covered by the scholarship initiative.

ECB Foundation II Coach will also be included once launched in November 2021.

Q. Is the ECB Coach Developer programme covered by the scholarship?

A: Yes, if the programme is relevant to a scholar's coaching and coach development journey.

Q. What is the difference between the scholarship initiative and bursary scheme?

A: A bursary is a single funding token or payment towards a programme-related fee. The scholarship initiative has a funding element but is combined with development support.

The scholarship initiative also requires two years of commitment from each scholar.

Q. How will the programme fee be paid?

A: ECB Coach Development will liaise with county cricket boards if the programme fees relate to the Foundation Phase or will provide a discount code if the programme fee relates to either ECB Advanced Coach or ECB Specialist Coach. A minimum contribution of 10% is required towards programme fees.

Q. Can an applicant apply for a scholarship before applying for an ECB Coach Development programme?

A: Yes. Applicants will need to select the development scholarship on the application form.

Successful applicants will be prompted when booking or application forms go live for the relevant programmes, however, they are responsible for their own submission which must be submitted following the guidelines for that programme, i.e. before the deadline.

Q. Can applicants who have applied for a bursary still apply?

A: Yes, but we ask that any additional funding from other sources is declared on the application form.

Q. Why does an applicant need a reference?

A: The referee will only be contacted if an applicant has been successful or is in the final stages of the application process. The reference is for verification purposes only and can be:

- Their County Cricket Board
- Their County Cricket Club
- Their cricket club
- Their employer
- Another suitable organisation or person aged over 18.

Q. Who is on the scholarship initiative allocation panel?

A: The panel includes people from ECB, the wider cricket network, national bodies, and/or other sport organisations. It does not include any ECB employees from ECB's Coach Development team.

Q. How will the scholarship allocation be decided?

A: The panel will consider the information supplied by each applicant on their application form. In the application form, applicants must demonstrate, and the panel will consider the following:

- Their ambitions within cricket personally and professionally
- How the scholarship will help them achieve their ambitions and overcome the challenges they have faced
- How the scholarship will impact their cricket environment.

To ensure fairness the panel will review and screen all applications anonymously. The personal details in section five will be visible to the initiative administrator only.

Q. What happens if an application is successful?

A: Once the panel has reviewed all applications, applicants will be contacted by a member of ECB's Coach Development team and invited to an informal meeting to discuss the scholarship package being offered.

Q. What happens if an application is unsuccessful?

A: Once the panel has reviewed all applications, applicants will be contacted by a member of ECB's Coach Development team. Feedback on their application will be included in the correspondence.

Any questions can be emailed to ECB Coach Development on coachdevelopment@ecb.co.uk citing scholarship initiative in the subject.

