



UCS BURSARIES AND MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

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UCS Hampstead is a leading London day school that combines the **highest standards of academic achievement and pastoral care** with outstanding facilities for all-round education with a distinctive liberal ethos.

From its beginning in 1830 UCS has had at its core a commitment to access, with a pledge that religion should be no bar to entry. In the 21st century, we add a further commitment – that **the education we provide will not be restricted solely to those who can afford it.**

UCS consistently **ranks at the top of independent schools in London** for the number of 100% bursaries awarded each year, and last year provided **£1.2 million in bursary support.** UCS is firmly committed to promoting and increasing access to our unique education through fee assistance. **We offer bursaries of up to 100%** and music scholarships for exceptional contribution to music.

Bursary recipients have gone on to study a range of subjects including Medicine at Imperial College, London; Physics at University College, London; Classics at Somerville, Oxford; and Neuroscience at Leeds University.

Who is eligible?

Fee assistance is available for Senior School entry at the ages of 11+, 13+ and 16+. Fee assistance is entirely means-tested and the Foundation is able to offer up to **100% fee remission** in cases of proven financial need.

Fee assistance is assessed by income bands available to household incomes from under £32,500 up to £63,000. Each application is considered on an individual basis and includes allowances for housing costs (annual rent or mortgage), siblings and capital assets to determine the fee assistance percentage.



ALAN JACOBS

Former parent, UCS Council Member and donor. Attended UCS from 1973-80.

“As a student at UCS in the 1970s I was a beneficiary of the huge breadth of opportunities the school had to offer and the broad mix of pupils made possible, in part, through the availability of Local Authority fee subsidies. As a Council Member today, I am working with my colleagues to ensure that we continue to attract pupils from all backgrounds to UCS through the development of the bursary programme.”



What does a bursary include?

Funds are available for families new to the School to assist with payment of fees and to provide assistance with those **co-curricular activities** that have a direct bearing on a pupil's education. This includes equivalent bursary percentage support with academic books and academic trips. **Fee assistance** is offered to candidates who have satisfied our entrance requirements - both in academic examination and at interview.

If you are interested in supporting our bursary programme as a donor please contact our Development Office on:

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BASIT KIRMANI

Attended UCS from 1998-2005 through bursary support.

"Having been a UCS student I attained a place at Cambridge for my undergraduate degree, which highlights the important role the bursary played in my academic progression. Without bursaries, very many able students would not have the opportunity to attain a high quality education and the opportunity to learn alongside (and compete with!) fellow potential high achievers."



What are music scholarships?

Music scholarships are awarded each year for exceptional musical contributions. **These entitle the holder to a reduction in the annual school fees of between 10% and 50% in exceptional cases.** The precise value will depend upon the standard of applicants and the competition in any one year.

Music scholarships entitle the holder to free instrumental tuition at school on an instrument (including voice) of the candidate's choice, which will remain in place throughout a pupil's time at UCS Senior School. A music scholarship evening is provided each year to find out more.

For further information please see:

[ucs.org.uk/Senior-School-Fee-Assistance](https://www.ucs.org.uk/Senior-School-Fee-Assistance)



OLIVER NELSON

Attended UCS from 2009-2016 on a music scholarship. He studies piano, percussion, and singing and is in the London Schools Symphony Orchestra.

"Music scholarships at UCS are a unique opportunity to really get the most out of the school's wonderful department - free lessons and an extensive concert calendar means that there is always something to stretch me, be it classical, jazz or modern."



How do I apply?

Should you wish to be considered for Fee Assistance please indicate so on the online **Admissions Registration Form** when applying for a place at the Senior School.

For bursary applications, a **Financial Disclosure Form** will be provided to collect information about your family's financial circumstances. These details will be treated in complete confidence and will not influence the admissions procedures.

For music scholarships, please download an application form from [ucs.org.uk/Music-Scholarships](https://www.ucs.org.uk/Music-Scholarships) where you can also find further details about all our fee assistance programmes.

To find out more about our bursary programme or our admissions process please contact our Admissions Team:

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