

# Delphis Eco Sustainability Leadership Bursary

## Master of Studies in Sustainability Leadership (continuous route only)

### 2023-25

*Closing date for applications: 31 January 2023*

#### Overview

This award has been made available through the generosity of [Delphis Eco](#). They and the [Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership](#) (CISL) share a key aim to empower individuals and organisations to take leadership to tackle critical global challenges.

Through a combination of interdisciplinary insights, academic analysis, practical business application, peer learning and personal reflection, the Master of Studies (MSt) in Sustainability Leadership offered by CISL aims to develop a community of leaders who have:

- a wide awareness and deep understanding of the social, environmental, ethical and economic challenges and opportunities facing the world;
- the vision and ambition to drive business leadership to achieve real systems change;
- the knowledge, experience and ability to critically evaluate a range of strategic levers for change;
- the leadership capacity and confidence at a personal and organisational level to best use these levers to effect transformation

By providing a bursary to an MSt in Sustainability Leadership student(s), the donors and CISL hope to provide the support required which may otherwise prevent a student from taking such an opportunity to develop real leadership confidence and skills in responding effectively to the economic, social and environmental challenges facing the world and lead others to achieve positive change.

#### Eligibility criteria

Applications are welcome from candidates who are British or Commonwealth nationals and are in financial need. This includes applicants from low income backgrounds or without access to company or other funding sources.

We recognise the importance of diversity of perspective and experience within our cohorts, and seek to optimise the diversity of cohorts to the benefit of all of our students. We welcome applicants in particular who have experienced social, economic or educational disadvantage, with an express objective of ensuring that the bursary is used to enable applications from disadvantaged backgrounds to access the opportunity of study with us.

This bursary is available to candidates who have applied for admission to the Master's via the standard application process by 31 January 2023, fulfil any admission conditions set by the University of Cambridge and receive an offer of admission to the Master's following the competitive selection process.

## Bursary value

The value of the bursaries awarded may be between 50% and 100% of the [Combined Graduate Fee](#). The amount awarded will be paid directly into the recipient's fee account (administered by CISL) in equal annual instalments and is not transferable.

Recipients must be able to pay any remaining fees, meet the accommodation, food and travel costs associated with attending the residential weeks, and cover any other costs that may be incurred to fulfil the course requirements, e.g. undertaking research.

## Application and selection process

To be considered for this bursary, candidates must have applied to the Master's through the standard admission process administered by the Institute for Continuing Education by 31 January 2023.

Once the standard application has been submitted, candidates must also complete the following [bursary application form](#) where you will be asked to outline:

- How financial support will enable access to the course, and any supporting factors demonstrating social, economic or educational disadvantage. We will prioritise candidates who have significant financial hardship, or who are under-represented on our programmes
- What other funding options you have investigated, including employer support
- What you will bring to the course in terms of diversity of perspective
- How you aspiring to be future change agent for sustainability and how you will implement your experiences on the programme in your professional / personal life. (This may include relevant elements of the Personal Statement submitted with the course application.)

**The deadline for submitting the bursary application is 31 January 2023.**

Please note that when completing the form you should not resend any documentation submitted as part of your application for admission. The documents provided for the bursary will not be considered as part of the process to determine whether an offer of admission will be made. Only bursary applications from candidates who may potentially receive offers of admission will be processed fully. Shortlisted bursary applicants may be invited for an additional interview, in person or by videoconference (e.g. Skype or Zoom). Further information and/or supporting evidence of any supporting factors raised in the application may be requested.

CISL will manage the application and allocation process, selecting the award recipient in consultation with the donors.

There will be no obligation to award a bursary if no eligible candidate is selected.

Candidates who receive admission offers, but do not receive written confirmation of the award of a bursary, are still eligible to join the course, but would need to provide confirmation of adequate financial support from other sources to cover the full fees and costs (as is the case for all other candidates).

## Timeline

Although admission decisions are made on a rolling basis, bursary applications will only be reviewed once all offers have been made. We expect candidates to be invited for virtual bursary interviews in April 2023, and receive notification of a decision in June 2023, however confirmation of the award of a bursary is subject to the admission offer being confirmed, with all conditions met.

### Following receipt of a bursary

The beneficiary will be required to submit a short report and/or testimonial on their course experience outlining the impact of the bursary on their Cambridge experience for use by CISL and Delphis Eco (print and/or online). The candidate will also be expected to consider using Delphis Eco as a case study for their assignments and/or dissertation.

### Termination of an individual bursary

A bursary may be terminated if an individual is found to be in violation of the Statutes or Regulations of the University, or of the terms of the offer letters issued to the scholar, or is convicted of any offence against the laws of England and Wales, or is unable to continue their studies at the University for any reason whatsoever, including having made unsatisfactory progress as determined by the University.