

The Northpoint Wellbeing Counselling Scholarship

Northpoint Wellbeing & Leeds Beckett University.

Fee Scholarship for Trainee Counsellors studying on the MA Integrative Counselling.

Northpoint Wellbeing, a local mental health charity, and Leeds Beckett University have formed a partnership to support Black, Asian, and other people of colour who are traditionally under-represented in the counselling and mental health professions to train to become a qualified practising therapeutic counsellor. The above will include people who may define as Arab, Kurdish or middle eastern.

To support such candidates, a number of fee scholarships are available to ease the financial burden of studying on the MA Integrative Counselling. In addition, Northpoint will provide access to additional mentorship for scholarship-holders to minimize burnout and maximize likely completion of the course and provide Student Membership of the Black African and Asian Therapy Network.

The aim of the scholarship fund and its mentorship offer is to support the development of a more diverse psychological therapies workforce.

FUND DEFINITION & PURPOSE

This is a dedicated scholarship fund set up to support Black, Asian, and other people of colour who wish to train to become a registered qualified therapeutic counsellor by taking the MA Integrative Counselling course.

<https://www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/courses/integrative-counselling-ma/>

The scheme is open to applicants from the above groups to encourage enrolling on or undertaking the course. A scholarship of £4,750 (50% of the overall course fee) is available, meaning a reduced fee of £4,750 will be paid by the student over 2 years rather than the full £9,500. Applicant must have previously successfully completed a face to face Counselling Skills course and should normally have at least a second class honours degree and have completed a face to face Certificate in Counselling Skills or equivalent (including at least 90 hours counselling skills practice training)

Terms & Conditions

- Applicants to the fund must be Black, Asian, or other person of colour.
- The fund is open to applicants for the MA Integrative Counselling only, whether opting to study full time (2 years) or part time (3 years) on the course. The scheme is open to UK residents only.

- Applicants may only submit one application to the scheme during their time at University.
- The fund is available for those wishing to enrol in September 2021 or September 2022
- Scholarships will be in the form of a fee reduction, dependent on the applicant's successful progress through the programme of study

How do I apply?

Applicants wishing to apply for the scholarship should complete the form in the link below, briefly describing what difference the scholarship and mentorship support package will make to you and how this will enhance the likelihood of your successful completion the course.

You will need to apply online for this fund.

When can I apply?

The fund opens on 1 May 2021 and applications must be submitted and completed before 30th July 2021.

Selection Process

Shortly after the scholarship closing date below applicants will be asked to give a brief zoom presentation describing what difference the scholarship and mentorship support package will make to them and how this will enhance the likelihood of successful completion the course.

We would also welcome successful applicants to be involved in the review of this scholarship programme. This is the first year of the scholarship and we are keen to review the successful applicants' experience with a view to continuing this in future years. We believe keeping the feedback of the applicants at the center of the discussion and decision-making will be key to sustainability of the programme.