

Spotcap Fintech Fellowship

About the Fellowship

Running for its third consecutive year, [the Fellowship](#) awards one UK-based master's or MBA student with an £8k scholarship. Launched in 2017, the initiative aims to encourage aspiring individuals interested in a career in financial technology¹ — [a relatively new sector which is increasingly struggling to attract qualified talent](#). More than 40 accredited UK-based universities have supported the initiative, including the [University of Oxford](#), the [University of Strathclyde](#) and [King's College London](#).

2019 Award Details

Deadline: 15th August 2019

Study in: United Kingdom

Amount: £8,000 towards the cost of a master's degree or MBA

Type of course: Taught, research, full-time and part-time programmes are all eligible

Year of study: 2019/2020

Field of study: Fintech-related subject (e.g. finance, business, management, engineering, computer science)

Number of scholarships available: One

Eligibility

To qualify for the Fintech Fellowship, applicants must cover the following criteria:

- Have an offer of admission to a master's or MBA programme at an accredited British university
- Be a British citizen or resident²
- Study a fintech-related subject, with an intention to work in fintech upon graduation

Required Documents

Applicants can upload their CV and cover letter via the [Fintech Fellowship website](#). Their cover letter should include the following points:

- Brief description of their background and achievements
- What sparked their interest in fintech
- How their studies would support a career in fintech

¹ Financial technology, or 'fintech', describes an evolving industry at the intersection of finance and technology. Fintechs typically use technology to offer existing financial services in a more efficient or cost-effective way. Architects of innovation, fintechs are behind products like blockchain and contactless payments.

² A 'resident' is someone whose primary address is in the UK or who spends a minimum of 182 days per year in the UK.

Fintech Fellowship 2019 Timeline

30 April: Applications open

15 August: Applications close

6 September: Shortlisted candidates contacted

20 September: Winner notified

1 October: Official announcement of Fellowship winner

Judging Panel

- **Gregoire Michel**, Head of Sector Programmes at [Tech Nation](#)
- **Julian Wells**, Director at [Whitecap Consulting](#) and [Fintech North](#)
- **Emily Nicolle**, Technology Editor at [City AM](#)
- **Sarah Kocianski**, Head Of Research at [11:FS](#)
- **Ina Yulo**, Manager, Global Head of FinTech and Financial Services, [Bright Talk](#)
- **Niels Turfboer**, Managing Director at [Spotcap](#)

Terms & Conditions

- In the case of two-year degrees, the Fintech Fellowship will only apply to the first year of study
- Applicants must be able to cover the additional costs associated with completing their degree, including living costs and any outstanding tuition fees
- Applications submitted after the deadline indicated on the Fintech Fellowship website will not be considered
- Applicants are required to disclose any other funding they are receiving or may receive
- To read the full Terms & Conditions, please follow [this link](#)

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