



#WeAreInternational Awards 2026 Sponsorship opportunities

18 November 2026,
Bloomsbury Ballroom, London

Celebrating Success. Inspiring Change.

UKCISA UK Council
for International
Student Affairs



The UK Council for International Student Affairs

We are an independent, UK-based charity and membership organisation committed to supporting international students and the educators, institutions, and organisations that work with them.

396

members

3 million

visits to our
website

The Awards

UKCISA's #WeAreInternational Awards celebrates and recognises the outstanding achievements of UKCISA members and international students in the UK.

The Awards aim to highlight the excellence and contributions of individuals and groups within the international education community and honour their remarkable efforts that enhance the international student experience in the UK.

This prestigious event shines a light on excellence in leadership, innovation, and community impact, while fostering a stronger and more inclusive international education sector in the UK.

By celebrating success, we inspire change – ensuring the UK remains a global leader in welcoming global talents.



Why sponsor the #WeAreInternational Awards?

Engage with sector leaders

Connect directly with senior staff from universities, colleges, students' unions and pathway providers across the UK.

Champion international student success

Demonstrate your organisation's commitment to supporting international students and the global education community.

Build brand visibility across the sector

Gain exposure through the Awards event, website, blogs, newsletters and social media channels reaching UKCISA's extensive network.

Be associated with excellence

Align your brand with the organisations and individuals delivering the most impactful work supporting international students in the UK.

Attendee profile

The event will attract over 300 attendees including UKCISA members, international students, policymakers, government colleagues, and media representatives.



#WeAreInternational 2025

The inaugural #WeAreInternational Awards 2025 brought together international students, sector leaders, policy makers and government colleagues to celebrate excellence across the UK's international education community.

From student-led initiatives to institutional innovation, the Awards showcased the people and organisations shaping a more welcoming and inclusive environment for international students in the UK.

420+

Award entries

from

120+

institutions

63

finalists

13

Awards
presented



#WeAreInternational 2025

Last year's #WeAreInternational Awards engaged an audience well beyond the finalists and winners.

National and local press coverage

The PIE News, Peterborough Telegraph, The Bangor Aye, Reading Today, Newsshopper, BBC Radio Wales



15,000+
Awards webpage
views

27,000
LinkedIn impressions



37,000
Instagram views

8,700
Newsletter opens

Sponsorship opportunities

Headline Sponsor - POA

- Keynote speaking slot + flagship award category presentation
- Prominent branding on the Awards website and marketing materials
- 20 x complimentary guest tickets (worth £9,990) to attend the Awards ceremony with dedicated top tables
- Featured in the winner blog series

Category Award Sponsor - £2,500 per award category

- Sponsoring and co-presenting one of the 16 award categories (subject to availability)
- Branding on the Awards website and marketing materials
- 2 x complimentary guest tickets (worth £990) to attend the Awards ceremony
- Featured in the winner blog series (subject to winner availability)

Awards categories

Our 16 award categories celebrate excellence across the international student community.

Staff awards categories

- Staff of the Year
- Alastair Niven Student Voice Champion
- Outstanding Student Support x 5
 - Visas and immigration
 - Making a home in the UK
 - Academic experience
 - Physical and mental wellbeing
 - Careers and employability

Student awards categories

- Student of the Year
- Alum of the Year
- Student Group of the Year
- Student Leader of the Year
- Student Volunteer of the Year

Institution awards categories

- University of the Year
- College of the Year
- Students' Union of the Year
- Pathway Provider of the Year

University of Warwick
302,041 followers
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We have been awarded Institution of the Year Award at the UKCISA #WeAreInternational2025! ...more



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Noeleen Hammond Jones • Following
Deputy Head of LUMS Careers (Work Related Learning) | Co-Chair, AGCAS ...
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What a fantastic evening UKCISA thank you so much for shortlisting LUMS Careers for the Careers and Employability Award. We didn't win but our hard work to ... more



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LinkedIn

Marcel Clusa • 2nd
International Student Support Officer and Chair of LGB...
3mo •

Fun morning at BBC Cymru Wales talking everything International Support at Bangor University and celebrating the recent Staff of the Year UKCISA award in the Dros Ginio Programme! ...more



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Corinne Brookes • 2nd
International Student Experience Manager @ University of Reading | Enhanced DBS
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Beyond pleased to have won the National Award for Outstanding Student Support (Academic Experience). Still can't quite believe it! ...more



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CEO at The PIE: Media, Events, Exec Search for international education
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