



Bursary application 2020-21

Helpful information about the bursary



Wheatley Foundation's Bursary programme supports more equal access to educational opportunities and helps customers realise their ambitions by removing some of the financial strain they may experience. The Bursaries help people achieve their educational goals by addressing a variety of barriers such as unemployment, living on a low income or caring responsibilities.

Our goal is to support customers to unlock their potential, so that Wheatley Bursary recipients can confidently take up their College or University place.

What is a Wheatley Foundation bursary?

A Wheatley Foundation bursary is a grant that customers living in our homes can apply for to support them to achieve their educational goals and help them on their chosen career path.

Who can apply?

Applicants living in a GHA, DGHP, Dunedin Canmore, Cube, Loretto Housing, West Lothian Housing Partnership, Barony Housing, YourPlace or Lowther Homes property who have applied to study an HNC, HND, undergraduate degree or postgraduate course (no higher than Level 11 on the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework).

When can I apply?

Applications can be made until 30 June 2020.

How much can be applied for?

The bursary will offer support of £1,500 to full-time students and £750 to part-time students. Bursary support will be offered for up to two years at the discretion of the awarding panel.

What can we fund?

A bursary award can support you for the costs of books, equipment, travel costs, childcare or other living costs that will help you to complete a course.

When will the bursary be paid?

The bursary will be paid across four instalments during the academic year: September, November, January, March.

Does it need to be paid back?

The bursary is a grant and does not need to be paid back.

Will the bursary affect applications for SAAS or housing benefit payments?

Receiving a Wheatley Foundation bursary should not affect a student's entitlement to SAAS funding or housing benefit payments as it is a charitable donation.

Who decides if I get a bursary?

There are a limited number of bursaries available. Applications will be assessed by the panel against set criteria. Decisions on applications will be made after 17 July and you will receive notice of your application outcome after this date.

More information?

If you have any questions or would like more information please contact us using the following information:

Phone: 0800 479 7979

Email: bursaries@wheatley-group.com

1. About you



This section is about you. We'll use this information to get in touch with you about your application and anything else related to the bursary.

Please tell us which Wheatley Group subsidiary you reside in	<input type="checkbox"/> GHA <input type="checkbox"/> DGHP <input type="checkbox"/> Dunedin Canmore <input type="checkbox"/> Cube <input type="checkbox"/> WLHP <input type="checkbox"/> Loretto Housing <input type="checkbox"/> Barony <input type="checkbox"/> YourPlace <input type="checkbox"/> Lowther Homes
How did you hear about the bursary? (housing officer, school teacher, friend, etc)	
Have you studied at college or university before?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Please can you provide all your contact details and information to help support your application

Name	
Address	
Postcode	
Home phone number	
Mobile phone number	
Date of Birth	
Email address We will use email as the main way to contact you	
Are you a carer? A carer is someone who helps to look after a relative who has a disability, illness, mental health or drug/alcohol problem	
Have you had experience of being in care? This could include: experience of living in residential, kinship care or being looked after by a local authority	
How would you describe your household composition?	<input type="checkbox"/> Single person <input type="checkbox"/> Couple <input type="checkbox"/> Single parent <input type="checkbox"/> Couple with children <input type="checkbox"/> Living with parents

2. About your course



This section is about your course.

Please tell us about the course you would like us to support you with.

Name of College or University	
Course title	
Level of course	<input type="checkbox"/> HNC <input type="checkbox"/> HND <input type="checkbox"/> Undergraduate degree <input type="checkbox"/> Postgraduate course
How long is your course?	
Full-time or part-time	
What year are you studying?	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5
Have you started your course yet?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Please tell us what you would like to do in your career goals and how studying this course could help you to achieve that.	

3. Financial information



This section is about the financial circumstances in your household. We'll only use this information to help assess your application. Please provide as much information as possible to allow us to assess your application.

Are you currently working?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, can you tell us how many hours you work?	
Can you also tell us what you earn a year (before tax)?	
Do you live with your parents?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If you live with your parent(s), can you tell us what they earn (gross)?	
Are you, or is anyone in your household, in receipt of Housing Benefit?	
Have you been successful for funding elsewhere?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If you are receiving funding from SAAS please tell us how much you are receiving and if it is a bursary or a loan	
Please tell us what other support you have/will receive and the amount(s)	
Please tell us how you would use the bursary. Be specific where you can. (Equipment costs, books, childcare costs, travel costs, living costs to work less hours, etc)	

4. Personal statement



This section is to find out why you are applying for a bursary and the difference it could make to you in your studies. You may want to consider:

- **What barriers/challenges could receiving the bursary help you to overcome?** Examples could include being able to pay for transport to classes or being able to buy your own books as there aren't enough in the library.
- **How could bursary support help you to sustain your studies and achieve your goals?** Examples could include being able to work fewer hours and concentrate on your studies or buying a laptop to allow you to study at home.

5. Getting in touch with you



We may want to get in touch with you about other opportunities through Wheatley Group.

For example, this might include talking to you about your experience of the bursary programme, job opportunities, and invitations to take part in surveys or focus groups.

If you are happy to be contacted about these opportunities then please tick this box	<input type="checkbox"/>
Signed	
Date	

6. Equality and Diversity



The following questions are voluntary and information collected will be used for monitoring purposes only. Please mark the most appropriate box.

Ethnicity and cultural background (Please tick)	
White	<input type="checkbox"/> UK or UK mixed <input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Irish <input type="checkbox"/> Scottish <input type="checkbox"/> Welsh <input type="checkbox"/> Any other White background
Any other: Please specify	
Mixed	<input type="checkbox"/> White and Black Caribbean <input type="checkbox"/> White and Black African <input type="checkbox"/> White and Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Any other mixed background
Any other: Please specify	
Asian, Asian Scottish or Asian British	<input type="checkbox"/> Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Pakistani <input type="checkbox"/> Bangladeshi <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese <input type="checkbox"/> Any other Asian background
Any other: Please specify	
Black, Black Scottish or Black British	<input type="checkbox"/> Caribbean <input type="checkbox"/> African <input type="checkbox"/> Any other Black background
Any other: Please specify	
Other Ethnic Background	<input type="checkbox"/> Mixed <input type="checkbox"/> Gypsy / Traveller <input type="checkbox"/> Other Ethnic Background <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to say
Gender	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Transgender <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to say
Do you consider yourself to be disabled?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Do you consider yourself to have a disability or long-term health condition which affects your day to day living?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to say
If you are an asylum seeker, been granted refugee status or you are a migrant worker, please tell us by ticking the correct box. <small>(This information is for monitoring purposes only and will not prejudice your application.)</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> Asylum Seeker <input type="checkbox"/> Refugee <input type="checkbox"/> Migrant Worker