





# Adult Support Fund 2016-17



This form is strictly for students aged 19 and over on 31st August 2016.

If you are aged 19 or older and in receipt of the Advanced Learner Loan,

## **Submitting your application**

All Bursary Applications must be returned to Shuttleworth College However please be aware that applications will be processed on a first-come-first-served basis.

Shuttleworth College cannot take responsibility for any forms lost or mislaid in the post. If delivery in person is not possible, we recommend that you photocopy your documents/evidence and send your application form to the address below by Recorded Delivery:

Your application will be treated in the strictest confidence.

For more information, please contact Margaret Dentith on 01234 291276 or mdentith@bedford.ac.uk

Margaret Dentith
Shuttleworth College
Old Warden Park
Biggleswade
Bedfordshire

- Applications cannot be accepted without the correct supporting evidence.
- Failure to provide this will lead to a delay in your application being processed.
- Your household income is an important factor when assessing whether you are eligible for financial support.
- Your application cannot be accepted without your household income evidence.
- We aim to notify you of the outcome of your application within 4 weeks of receiving your fully completed application form however during peak periods this may be extended.

#### **Application Deadline: 21st October 2016**

Please note that the fund may close sooner if all funding has been allocated. The fund will reopen in January, subject to availability of funds.

In order to receive notification of your award for the first payment date in October, forms must be received by **1st August 2016**. Forms submitted after this date will be processed as quickly as possible but it may be November or December before a payment is received.

Official Use Only				Date Stamp:
Form received from:				Signature:
Applying for:	Fees	Course Costs	☐ Travel	

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# Next steps...

#### What happens after I submit my application form?

- 1. A member of staff checks that your form is completed correctly and photocopies any income evidence that you have provided. A receipt is issued to you for your records.
- 2. The Student Finance team will process your application and will contact you if more information is required. They are unable to assess incomplete application forms.
- 3. All assessed applications are presented to the Bursary Panel for approval.
- 4. Following approval we will write to you confirming your award.

#### Note:

 Funds are limited and incomplete applications will not progress further until the required information is received.

### What if I don't agree with the Bursary Panel's decision?

If you wish to appeal against a decision please put it in writing to the Quality Manager within 10 days of receiving your award letter. Appeals will be acknowledged within 3 working days of receipt and resolved within 21 working days.

How will I receive my award?				
Tuition, Examination and Professional Fees	An internal transfer of 50% towards your fees meaning that you will have to pay the balance. This funding is extremely limited and cannot be guaranteed. If you are relying on financial support please do not enrol until you have had a decision from the panel.			
Course Costs Bursary 50% discount	Usually a direct payment into your account for items like safety equipment, which you have to buy.  If you have essential course costs that you purchase from Bedford College like a uniform or a trip, the award will be a discount and you will have to pay the difference.			
Travel Cost Bursary	Usually a direct payment into your bank account of 50% of the cheapest form of travel in the 1st week of every month, or a discount towards a bus pass. The first payment will be in the first week of October although depending on when you handed your application form in, your first payment date may be later.			

#### Are my payments subject to any conditions?

All payments cannot be released until you have enrolled onto your course. The earliest payment date for all bursaries is the first week in October 2016.

Subsequent payments are subject to satisfactory attendance, which is monitored for continued receipt of the bursary. If your attendance falls below 95%, we may withhold or reduce any payments.





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## **Eligibility Table**

- Please consult the table below for evidence of your household income.
- Your household includes whoever is supporting you financially, this could be your partner.
- If you are living independently, we need proof of your income.
- If you live with a partner, we need to see evidence of their income.

You must attach **your evidence** to this application.

Household Income	Evidence Required	Bursary Types
Over £26,000	None required	Not eligible for any of our bursaries
£16,191 - £26,000	<ul> <li>Payslips for the last three months or</li> <li>2015/16 Tax Credit Notification (all pages required) or Tax Credit Annual Review for year end 2015/16</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Travel Costs</li> <li>Course Costs</li> <li>Tuition, Examination and Professional Fees</li> </ul>
Less than £16,190	<ul> <li>Payslips for the last 3 months or</li> <li>The most recent Tax Credit Notification (all pages required) or</li> <li>*Letter from Jobcentre Plus / DWP /Local Authority or bank statement showing the benefit received if out of date</li> <li>* Please note that bank statements on their own will not be accepted as evidence of Tax Credits or means-tested benefits.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Travel</li> <li>Course Costs</li> <li>Tuition, Examination and Professional Fees</li> </ul>

## **Bursaries**

## Please indicate which bursary you are applying for below by ticking the boxes to the left

	on, Examination Professional Fees ary	A bursary of up to 50% towards the cost of tuition, up to 50% for examination and professional body fees if your household income is £26,000 or less. If financial support is required you should not complete your course enrolment until you receive a decision from the Adult Support Fund panel.
Cours Bursa	se Costs ary	Up to 50% of essential course costs such as books, equipment and trips .
Trave	el Bursary	Up to 50% off the cost of travelling to and from college. It is only available if you live more than 3 miles from the College campus and can pay towards petrol costs as well as travel by bus or train.

## **Tuition, Examination and Professional Body Fees**

A bursary of up to 50% may be given towards Tuition,\* Examination and Professional Body Fees may be awarded.

Priority is given to the most vulnerable students. Tuition Fee support is not guaranteed and if financial support is required you should not complete your enrolment until you receive a decision from the Adult Support Fund panel.

\*Students in receipt of the Advanced Learner Loan cannot apply for help with Tuition or Exam fees .

#### Please tell us what fees you want help with in the table below:

Tuition Fees*	£
Examination Fees*	£
Professional Body Fees*	£

## **Course Cost Bursary**

This bursary is towards essential course items such as trips, equipment and uniform. Depending on your circumstances you may be awarded up to 50% towards these essential costs, in some cases you will be awarded a specific amount towards an item and the actual cost may be higher, this is the maximum we are able to award at that time due to budget constraints.

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## **Travel Bursary**

If you live 3 miles away from the College and do not receive any other funding for travel please complete the table below.

If you live less than 3 miles away and have a disability or mobility issue, please provide medical evidence with your application. Please note that parking changes will not be funded.

Bus	Train	Car		
Price of ticket: £	Price of ticket: £	Engine size:		
Single Return	Single Return	Petrol Diesel		
Days in College:	Days in College:	Days in College:		
Cost per week: £	Cost per week: £	Cost per week: £		

#### **Student Declaration**

By signing the declaration below you confirm that you accept the following terms:

- Any changes in circumstances should be reported to Student Services immediately (this includes change in bank accounts, change of address and contact details etc.)
- Shuttleworth College reserves the right to request the return of any item of equipment or the repayment of funds in the event that you withdraw from your course.
- Where you have received a discount on your tuition fees, you may be liable for the full cost of your course should you withdraw.
- You will abide by the Shuttleworth College Code of Conduct.

Signed.....

 You will maintain satisfactory attendance of 95% or above or accept a lesser paid award for poor attendance.

I declare that the information I have provided is correct to the best of my knowledge and I agree to inform Shuttleworth College if my details change throughout the academic year.

Checklist							
Have you completed all your personal details?							
Have you told us what subjects you are going to be studying?							
Have you provided evidence of your household income? (Photocopies are accepted and we can photocopy any original documents for you)							
Have you completed the relevant sections for the bursaries you wish to apply for?							
Have you given us your bank account details?							
Have you signed the Student Declaration?							
Have you completed the Student Survey?							
Student Survey Please help us to maintain and improve the Adult Support Fund by completing this survey.							
How did you find out about the Adult Support Fund?  Prospectus Open Day Tutor/ Lecturer Service							
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Would you have been able to study at the College without finan- Yes No cial assistance?							
Are you aware that if you plan to return to College next year you will need to re-apply for funding?  No							