

# CARE EXPERIENCED BURSARY



**A care experienced bursary rate was introduced by the Scottish Government in the summer of 2018.**

**The Care Experienced Bursary rate will be offered to students who:**

- Have been looked after at any period in their life by the Local Authority
- Are beyond their statutory school leaving age (16 by the 30 September 2019 or to qualify for funding from January 2020 onwards will be 16 between the 1 October 2019 and the 29 February 2020).
- Are under 26 on the first day of the first academic year of the course (Edinburgh College's academic year begins on the 12 August 2019).

**Please note that eligibility will be subject to residence criteria.**

**The Care Experienced Bursary rate is £202.50 a week.** Care experienced students will still be eligible to receive additional funding elements such as travel and study costs, additional supports needs, childcare and discretionary awards.

**If you are care experienced and eligible to remain on benefit such as Income Support or Universal Credit** during your course the College will assess an award that ensures the optimum funding (in a few cases this may mean remaining on benefit if it is disadvantageous to award the Care Experienced Bursary).



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The table below shows the type of information/documents required when you apply for funding.

Information required	Documents required (not exhaustive)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Personal details (including nationality)</li><li>• Course details</li><li>• Bank details</li><li>• Education and employment details</li><li>• Residency details</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Proof of identity, e.g. birth certificate or passport</li><li>• Letter from social worker confirming have been/are in care</li></ul>

For more information about funding and fees visit [edinburghcollege.ac.uk](http://edinburghcollege.ac.uk).

Edinburgh College operates an online funding application which is accessed through the student's college account used to apply for a course.

To speak to someone please contact [studentfunding@edinburghcollege.ac.uk](mailto:studentfunding@edinburghcollege.ac.uk).

Our course portfolio and information may be subject to alteration.