Scholarship and Bursary Application Form Deadline 1 April 2027

This form will be updated as other scholarships and bursaries are approved. Please check back for updates.

How to complete this form

You can use this application form for all scholarships and bursaries listed in this form.

- Tick the box next to each scholarship or bursary you are applying for.
- Complete the form fully.
- If you are applying for more than one scholarship or bursary listed on this form, make sure you attach a separate personal statement for each that you are applying for. You can do this by copying the Personal Statement section.
- Remember to write the name of the scholarship or bursary for each one you are applying for at the top of each personal statement and make sure to include this with your completed application form.
- Make sure you address in each personal statement the criteria set out for each scholarship or bursary you are applying for. This is vitally important. For your application form to be considered, you must demonstrate how you meet the criteria.

Applications are considered by the Grants Committee and depending on the scholarship or bursary being applied for, recommendations are either made to the Scholarship or Bursary awarding body for consideration and approval, or the Grants Committee has the authorisation to agree the successful recipient. Applicants should note that students will be required to sign terms and conditions if awarded a scholarship or bursary.

Scholarships

West Dean College awards a number of scholarships on behalf of funders to the very best students. Applicants for the scholarship awards need to be able to demonstrate an outstanding potential and commitment to their studies and future career in their chosen subject. Candidates will be expected to demonstrate excellence by providing evidence of past achievements and related work experience, alongside recommendations from current or past tutors and colleagues.

Bursaries

The College awards a number of bursaries on behalf of funders to students who demonstrate a financial need for support. All awards are for one academic year unless stated otherwise.

Criteria, application and terms

The criteria, application and terms for each scholarship and bursary are listed on this form. Please read these carefully to ensure that you are eligible to apply. Some scholarships and bursaries may have background information available to help you understand more about the funder, if this is the case you can read more at Student Funding | West Dean.

Deadline and application submission for Scholarships and Bursaries

Applications must be made by 1 April 2027 – 5pm and, if successful, applicants will be notified between May and June. We are unable to provide an exact decision date, but we will inform you as soon as a decision has been made. Please note unsuccessful applicants are unable to request feedback from the Grants Committee.

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How to apply

You can apply by returning the completed form by email to college@westdean.ac.uk. Your application must be typed – hand-written applications will not be accepted.

References

If you have been offered a course place to study with us for the academic year 2027-28 and you are applying for one of the scholarships and bursaries detailed on this form, you will need to include two typed references when you submit your completed scholarship and bursary application form to us. One of these should be from a current or recent tutor and should address why you are the best applicant for the scholarship or bursary you are applying for. Your application will not be considered if the two references are not included or if your application is incomplete.

Current students do not have to include references, but a tutor reference will be requested if nominated for a scholarship or bursary where needed.

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BURSARY CRITERIA

Please tick the bursary you are applying for and enclose a personal statement for each one.

Bursary	Criteria	Value	Tick
A.C.H Crisford Bursary	The A.C.H. Crisford Bursaries will be awarded to students studying the Foundation Degree Arts (FdA) - Musical Instruments pathway studying either year; BA (Hons) Craft Practices - Musical Instruments pathway; MFA Craft Practices – Musical Instruments pathway studying either year. **Application:** Students studying on one of the above pathways are eligible to apply for this award. Students need to demonstrate a clear financial need in their application. In order to offer maximum impact from the award, students of any age or nationality are eligible to apply. The College's Grants Committee will consider the applications and select the two successful recipients for the 2026-27 academic year. Details such as name, programme of study and personal statement will be shared with bursary donor for their records. **Terms**: The award is for one academic year and will be paid directly to West Dean to help offset fees. Successful students are required to complete a report in the Spring Term and Summer Term.	£5,000 to be shared between two	☐
The Alan Whitaker Bursary	The Alan Whitaker Bursary will be awarded each year to one or more students progressing onto a further year of study on any Clocks programme: Foundation Degree Arts (FdA) – Clocks (year 2), progression to the BA (Hons) Craft Practices, Graduate Diploma Conservation Studies, MA Conservation Studies or MFA Craft Practices **Application:** To be eligible to apply students must be progressing onto a further year of study on any Clocks programme all awards (as above), must show ability, diligence, and application in their studies while at the same time finding it difficult to find the funds for either their fees or their living expenses*. The Grants Committee will consider the applications and details of the nominees (name, course, recommendation statement from Subject Leader Clocks) will be sent to funder for their records. **Terms:** The award is for one academic year and will be paid directly to West Dean to help offset fees or living expenses**. The successful applicants will be expected to produce an end	£5,000 (to be divided amongst one or several students)	☐

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	of year report in the summer term. *i.e. not be able to continue their studies without it. ** Please indicate on your bursary application form whether you are applying for helps towards fees or living expenses.		
The BASET Endeavour Heritage Award	BASET (The Britain-Australia Society Education Trust) provides talented young people with a life changing opportunity to develop new skills, broaden their horizons and realise their potential. The BASET Endeavour Heritage Award at West Dean provides funding to deserving young adults from Australia to support their training in the fields of heritage conservation and specialist historical craft skills. The Awards are granted to Australian nationals wishing to study on the Foundation Degree Arts - all pathways, the Graduate Diploma Conservation Studies or MA Conservation Studies – all specialisms. After completing their education at West Dean, BASET Award recipients are able to take the skills they have learnt back to Australia to both preserve heritage themselves and train others in their craft. They are usually highly sought after by employers and start careers in their fields immediately. **Application:** Available to Australian nationals wishing to study on the Foundation Degree Arts - all pathways, the Graduate Diploma Conservation Studies or MA Conservation Studies – all specialisms. Applicants must demonstrate financial need and that the BASET Award will enable them to undertake their studies. The Grants Committee will consider the applications and details of the applicant such name, nationality, programme, education and qualifications, employment and experience, personal statement, income and expenditure will be sent to BASET for its approval. BASET may request an interview with the nominee before confirming the award. BASET's decision is final. **Terms:** The award is for one academic year. The award will be paid directly to West Dean. The applicant recognises that some additional funding from personal sources may be required and that transport, visa and living costs are the responsibility of the applicant. The successful applicants must provide regular updates to BASET and must produce an end of year report in their final term. On the completion of their studies, they will be invited by BASET to join BASET's alumni community. For more information about BASET, please visit their website at www.britain-australia.org.uk/baset. Criteria continued overpage...	£10,000 match funded with the Edward James Foundation to be divided between two students. Where only one student, the award will be £5,000 match funded.	☐

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The Worshipful Company of Arts Scholars West Dean Accommodation and Subsistence Bursary	The Worshipful Company of Arts Scholars bursary will be awarded to a student studying the Foundation Degree Arts (FdA) Books and Binding, Ceramics, Clocks, Furniture, Metalwork or Musical Instruments pathway or the Graduate Diploma Conservation Studies Books and Library Materials, Ceramics, Clocks, Furniture or Metalwork specialism. Preference will be given to a student who holds UK Nationality or who has been mainly educated in the UK, who is aged under 30 on 1st September 2027. Students must demonstrate outstanding potential and financial need, whilst at the same time finding it difficult to find the funds for their accommodation or living expenses. Application: Students meeting the above criteria are welcome to apply for this bursary. The Grants Committee will consider the applications and details of the successful nominee, such as name and personal statement will be sent to The Arts Scholars Company for their records. Terms: The award is paid directly to West Dean to cover room only accommodation at West Dean, with the surplus awarded to help pay for subsistence. The successful student must produce an end of year report in the final term for publication or summary in the Arts Scholars' Newsletter and/or website at the Arts Scholars' discretion. The successful student may be invited to an Arts Scholars event such as its Awards lunch or similar, and consents to their photograph being reproduced in the Arts Scholars Newsletter and/or website at the Arts Scholars' discretion.	£10,000 to one student (to pay for room only accom-modation at West Dean, with the surplus awarded to help pay for subsistence)	☐

Please note: The funders listed above reserve the right, at their discretion, to request repayment of all or any part of an award in the event that a recipient does not complete the course for which the award has been made.

Queries - Applicants should not contact awarding trusts and organisations directly with queries relating to the above scholarships and bursaries as these are being administered by The Edward James Foundation. If you have any queries, please contact college@westdean.ac.uk.

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Personal details	
First name(s)	
Surname	
Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	
Nationality	

Contact details	
E-mail Address	
Telephone	
Mobile	

Address	
Street Address	
City and County/State	
Postcode/Zip Code	
Country	

Programme	

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Date received:

Application reference:

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Details of education and qualifications			
School/University	Course attended	Qualification	Dates attended

Details of relevant employment and experience			
Occupation	Name of employer	Skills used	Date

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Personal statement	Scholarship/bursary
Please carefully check the criteria for the scholarship and or bursary you are applying for and state how you match these. The criteria for scholarships and bursaries are listed on pages 3-5 of this form. Please ensure you complete a separate personal statement for each scholarship and bursary application.	

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Income and expenditure - Please complete this page if the scholarship or bursary you are applying requires you to demonstrate financial need as part of the criteria			
Current employment status:			
Employed full time	☐	Unemployed, but not registered	☐
Employed part time	☐	In full time training/education	☐
Self-employed	☐	Other	
Registered unemployed	☐		

Do you have any dependants?	Yes	☐	No	☐

ANNUAL INCOME	Current situation	When studying at West Dean
Personal income (i.e. salary)	£	£
Spouse's/partner's salary	£	£
Parental contribution	£	£
Savings/ISAs	£	£
Rent from tenants or lodgers	£	£
Interest from capital	£	£
Child benefit	£	£
Tax credits	£	£
Student Loan (tuition fees, maintenance)	£	£
Career Development Loan	£	£
Other, including any grants/ scholarships	£	£
Total income	£	£
EXPENDITURE FOR THE DURATION OF THE COURSE (in addition to tuition fees)	Current situation	When studying at West Dean
Rent, mortgage or accommodation fees	£	£
Water rates/council tax	£	£
Lighting and heating	£	£
Telephone	£	£
Food & clothing	£	£
Household miscellaneous	£	£
Incidental e.g. insurance, TV licence	£	£
Travel expenses	£	£
Other expenses (books, etc)	£	£
Total expenditure	£	£

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Declaration
Please carefully read the following statements and sign below to indicate acceptance of these terms.

- I declare that the above details are true to the best of my knowledge.
- I will undertake to provide any additional information that may be required.
- I understand that offered scholarships and bursaries are subject to overarching Terms and Conditions, this is in addition to any terms and conditions that may be listed above for each scholarship and bursary. You can read a full copy of the Terms and Conditions Student Funding | West Dean
- I consent to my application data being shared with the College's Grants Committee, Academic Registry, Student Recruitment and External Engagement Department, programme/course tutors and the awarding body, if applicable, which may be a trust, foundation, livery company, business or individual donor(s) and may be referred to as funder.

If offered a scholarship/bursary, I will:

- Make myself available to assist in the recruitment and promotional activities of West Dean as outlined in the full Terms and Conditions, Student Funding | West Dean.
- Agree for my details to be used in articles, promotional material and press releases. This may include photographs.
- Agree to provide termly or annual reports whilst studying at the College as requested by the Student Recruitment and External Engagement Department.
- Agree reports in keeping with the funder's requirements can be shared with the funders for two years following my graduation from the College.

Please also check the College's Policies and Documents on the website and on Moodle

Name:	
Date:	
Signature:	
If you are emailing your application, please tick this box to indicate your acceptance of the above terms:	☐

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