



1916 'Leaders and Learners' Bursaries Frequently Asked Questions 2017-18

Q. What is this bursary?

A. This Bursary, the '1916 Leaders and Learners' Bursary is funded by the Department of Education and Skills through the Leinster Pillar 1 Cluster of Higher Education Institutions – Institute of Art, Design and Technology, Dun Laoghaire (IADT); National College of Art and Design (NCAD); Marino Institute of Education (MIE); Trinity College Dublin (TCD); and University College Dublin (UCD)

Q. How much is this bursary for?

A. The bursary award is 5,000 per annum for the duration of the awardee's undergraduate programme, subject to satisfactory progression (see terms and conditions)

Q. Who can apply for this bursary?

A. This bursary is for students who can demonstrate financial need, including those from the following equity groups:

- Socioeconomically disadvantaged students
- Students with a disability
- Students in receipt of SUSI grant (with priority given to those on the Special Rate)
- Low income first time Mature Students
- Lone Parents
- Students in Direct Provision, Asylum Seekers, Refugees
- Irish Travellers

In Trinity College, Junior Fresh and Senior Fresh undergraduate students only are invited to apply, who demonstrate financial need and who are from one of the above equity groups.

Q. What is the closing date for receipt of applications?

Applications must be received no later than **5pm on Sunday 11th March 2018**



Q. How do I apply?

A. Applicants apply via an online application form before a closing date of **5pm Sunday 11th March 2018** at their institution's website see below. **Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted.**

Trinity College Dublin: **1916bursary@tcd.ie**

Q. What information will I need to apply?

A. All applicants will be asked to provide personal details and asked to answer questions based on the following:

- Rationale for seeking a scholarship
- Barriers faced in accessing higher education
- Achievements in community, charity, sport and other interests
- Motivation to study at higher education
- Career plans
- Financial Need

In order to verify financial need, applicants will be asked to submit supplementary documentation, see below for further details, see table below:



Indicator of Financial Need	Documentation Required	Tick to confirm information attached
HEAR Students/Students supported by an Access/Disability Office	Permission for the 1916 Bursary Assessment board to confirm that you entered or are supported by the Access/Disability Office in your college.	
Receipt of SUSI grant (priority will be given to those who are in receipt of special rate of grant)	Letter from SUSI confirming eligibility and payment for current academic year	
Receiving Means-Tested Social Welfare payment	Social Welfare Statement 2016	
Asylum seekers/direct provision	Letter from Direct Provision Centre Letter issued from the Department of Justice and Equality confirming permission to reside in Ireland Naturalisation and Immigration Services Person ID Number (INIS Person ID number)	
Students with a disability	Permission for the 1916 Bursary Assessment board to confirm that you entered or are supported by the Disability Office in your college.	
Mature Students	Income Declaration Form with relevant documentation	
Lone-Parent	Social Welfare Statement from 2016 indicating receipt of Lone-Parent Payment	
Student from the Traveller Community	Letter of Support from relevant agency	

Q. Where do I send my supporting documentation?

A. All supporting documentation must be sent to the relevant email address of the institution by 5pm on Sunday 11th March 2018. **Incomplete or late documentation will not be accepted and will render applications ineligible**

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Q. What format can I submit my responses to the application sections in?

A. Applicants can submit in one of the following formats:

- Written responses to each section (maximum 200 words per section)
 - Video responses to each section (maximum 30 seconds per section). Please ensure that all video or audio files play on Window Media or Apple quicktime player.
- Photos (maximum 3 per section with a caption). Digital images must be clearly labelled & referenced in the application.

Q. How will applications be assessed?

A. Applications will be examined by an assessment panel of nominees from all the above institutions and an external nominee

Q. When will I know the outcome of my application?

A. The outcome will be communicated to all successful and unsuccessful applicants by mid-April.

Q. When will my bursary be awarded?

A. The 1916 Leaders and Learners bursaries for all the above institutions will be awarded at a ceremony in the GPO on 17th April.

Q. Who can I contact with any queries?

A. Please contact your institution directly at the relevant email address:

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