



## 1916 'Leaders and Learners' Bursaries Frequently Asked Questions 2019-20

### **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 Junior Fresh students who can demonstrate socio-economic disadvantage and be from at least one of the following equity groups:

- Socio-economic groups that have low participation in higher education
- First time Mature Students
- Students with a disability, particularly students with a physical/mobility impairment or students with a sensory disability, students who are deaf/hard of hearing and students who are blind or visually impaired.
- Irish Travellers
- Entering on the basis of a further education award
- Lone parents with a DSP means tested Social Welfare payment
- Ethnic minorities (including programme refugees and persons from other ethnic minority groups lawfully present in the State who meet the definition of student in section 14 of the Student Support Act 2011 and regulation 5 of the Student Support Regulations 2017. S.I. No. 126 of 2017).

Students need to meet the residency and current immigration status or have leave to remain.



Students must be entering higher education in 2019. Programmes must be greater than 2 years in duration.

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

Applications must be received no later than **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2019 by 5pm.**

**Q. How do I apply?**

A. Applicants may apply via the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=jb6V1Qaz9EWAZJ5bgvVIK7PsSAcLBqNEgk4N850hYR5UNIILUEdPOFIZRzlaNjVUNUQyOTZHTVdVWi4u>

by **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2019 by 5pm.** Please send all supporting documentation to **1916bursary@tcd.ie** . **Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted.**

**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 and submit a reference from a community organisation.

- 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
- Reference from a community organisation



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

Indicator of Financial Need	Documentation Required	Tick to confirm information attached
<b>Receipt of highest rate SUSI grant</b>	Letter from SUSI confirming eligibility for current academic year OR P21/Chapter 4/Notice of Assessment (2018)	
<b>Receiving Means – Tested Social Welfare payment</b>	Social Welfare Statement 2018	

## Socio Economic Disadvantage

### Q. Where do I send my supporting documentation?

A. All supporting documentation must be sent to the relevant email address of the institution by **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2019 by 5pm. Incomplete or late documentation will not be accepted and will render applications ineligible**

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

### 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 my bursary be awarded?**

A. The 1916 Leaders and Learners bursaries for all the above institutions will be awarded at a ceremony later this year.

**Q. Who can I contact with any queries?**

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

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