

## NTU Care Leaver Accommodation Scholarship (2026 Entry) Application Guidance Notes

Nottingham Trent University is pleased to be offering 20 NTU Care Leaver Accommodation Scholarships for undergraduate entry in September 2026, for new students who are care leavers (or foyer residents) under the age of 25. Recipients of the Scholarship will receive free University/UPP accommodation during their first year of study.

### Am I eligible to apply?

In order to be considered for a NTU Care Leaver Accommodation Scholarship, you must meet all of the following criteria:

- You will be under the age of 25 on 1st September 2026, **and**
- You have an unconditional or conditional offer to study a full-time undergraduate course at Nottingham Trent University, commencing in September 2026 and have accepted NTU as your firm (first) choice, **and**
- Your chosen course will lead to an Undergraduate Degree, Foundation Degree, Certificate of Higher Education, Higher National Diploma or Higher National Certificate, **and**
- You have been:
  - in the care of a local authority in the UK at some point since the age of 16, **or**
  - looked after by relatives who are not your parents but who have a court order to do so, at some point since the age of 16, **or**
  - a foyer resident in the UK.

You cannot apply for this scholarship if your Local Authority Leaving Care Service is paying your full accommodation costs during the 2026/27 academic year.

If you have already signed an agreement for alternative accommodation that is not provided by NTU/UPP, you should check the cancellation policy carefully before applying for an accommodation scholarship.

If you meet all the eligibility criteria listed above, you can apply for the NTU Care Leaver Accommodation Scholarship by following the steps below:

## How do I apply?

There are 3 steps to the application process...

**1. Click on the link below and complete the online application form:**

[NTU Care Leaver Accommodation Scholarship application form](#)

**2. Send your evidence to [supportfunds@ntu.ac.uk](mailto:supportfunds@ntu.ac.uk)**

Details of the evidence required can be found in the 'Evidence requirements' section below. When sending your evidence please type 'Accommodation Scholarship Evidence' in the subject line of your email.

**3. Click on the link below to set up & activate your NTU Accommodation account: [NTU Accommodation Portal](#)**

You will need to enter your NTU ID to set up and activate your account. To help us understand your accommodation needs, you should complete the form, giving your details, including disclosing any medical conditions, but do not progress to the accommodation booking section.

**The deadline for applications is Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2026 and you should complete the above 3 steps by this date.**

If you do not have all your evidence by the 5<sup>th</sup> June deadline, you should still submit your application form but you will also need to email [supportfunds@ntu.ac.uk](mailto:supportfunds@ntu.ac.uk) to explain the reason for the delay in providing your evidence. Depending on the circumstances, we may be able to extend this deadline.

## The scholarship application form

The form is split into the sections outlined below and you are advised to read the following guidance notes before completing the form.

### Your contact details

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Please start by giving us your full name and preferred phone number & email address, so we can contact you about your application.

Please make sure you give us an email address that you check regularly as this is how we will communicate with you. If you miss important communications from us, this could affect you getting the scholarship.

### About your eligibility for the scholarship

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In this section, you are presented with a series of statements, relating to each of the eligibility criteria, and asked to confirm whether or not it applies to you. If you do not meet one or more of the criteria, you will be taken to a screen that explains this. If you think you may have answered the question incorrectly, you can select the back button to return to the question and amend your answer.

If your answer was correct and you do not meet one or more of the eligibility criteria, you can choose not to submit the form. Alternatively, you can tick to request that one of the team contacts you with more information about the eligibility criteria, and submit the form.

## About you

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You will be asked to give details of your correspondence address and age/date of birth

## About your offer to study at Nottingham Trent University in 2026/27

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You should include your NTU ID number (which you can find in your offer email from Nottingham Trent University).

You should also give details of the undergraduate course you plan to study and the qualification it will lead to.

## About your time in Care or as a Foyer Resident

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You will be asked to select the statement that applies to you, and to give brief details, including relevant dates of time in care. You will not be asked to disclose reasons for your time in care.

## About you, your experiences and your aspirations

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You will be asked to write a series of short personal statements (maximum of 1000 characters each), to tell us more about your experiences and aspirations, as well as why you chose NTU and the benefits you hope to get out of living in halls of residence.

## Evidence requirements

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You are required to provide evidence of your time in care or as a Foyer resident. In addition, if you have been in the care of the local authority, you will need to provide confirmation that your term-time accommodation costs will NOT be paid in full by your local authority. Please indicate in each section, what evidence you will be providing.

Please email your evidence to **supportfunds@ntu.ac.uk**. (Please type '**Accommodation Scholarship Evidence**' in the subject line of your email.)

We can accept direct email confirmation from your local authority leaving care service. Alternatively, you can get evidence from your local authority and email it to us.

To help with the process of verifying that accommodation costs will not be paid in full by your local authority, we have produced this accommodation evidence verification form: <https://bit.ly/43HFv0Q>.

This form can be downloaded, completed by your local authority and emailed to [supportfunds@ntu.ac.uk](mailto:supportfunds@ntu.ac.uk).

## **If I apply who will my information be shared with?**

The personal and sensitive data you have provided on your application form will be used by the university, for the purpose of administering the NTU Care Leaver Accommodation Scholarship. You can view the University's [Admissions Privacy Notice](#) and [Student Privacy Notice](#) online.

## **What happens next?**

Your application and evidence will be considered and if you meet all the eligibility criteria for the NTU Care Leaver Accommodation Scholarship, your application will progress to the selection process. If you do not meet the eligibility criteria (or you have not provided all the necessary evidence), we will contact you.

A selection panel will consider all applications received from eligible applicants by the 5<sup>th</sup> June deadline. The panel will use the information provided in your application, in particular your responses to the questions covered in the section 'About you, your experiences and your aspirations', to select the 20 successful scholarship recipients.

The selection panel will take the following into account in awarding Scholarships:

1. Your reasons for choosing Nottingham Trent University.
2. How living in university halls of residence will enhance your experience during your first year.
3. Your previous contributions to school/college and community life and your extracurricular achievements.
4. Your career aspirations and how your studies at Nottingham Trent University will help you achieve these.

**We will inform you of the outcome of your application by email at the end of June. The decision of the selection panel is final.**

## **Important Information**

### **Check and respond to emails**

It is important that you check your emails regularly, read them carefully and respond to any questions/instructions by the given deadline. If you do not do this, you may miss out on being awarded a scholarship.

### **The scholarship is for designated University/UPP accommodation only**

The scholarship is linked to specific University/UPP accommodation and is not available to fund alternative accommodation choices such as PBSA (Purpose-Built Student Accommodation) halls or rooms in privately rented flats/houses.

Room swaps are not part of the allocation process and cannot be facilitated within this scheme

### **Check any existing accommodation contract**

If you have signed an agreement for alternative accommodation that is not provided by NTU/UPP, you should check the cancellation policy carefully before applying for or accepting an accommodation scholarship. This includes PBSA (Purpose-Built Student Accommodation) halls and rooms in privately rented flats/houses.

### **Room Allocations**

If you are successful in securing an accommodation scholarship at the end of June, we anticipate that room allocations will be confirmed during July. As the availability of rooms will be limited, we may not be able to meet all individual needs and preferences.

### **Accepting the scholarship**

Scholarship offer letters will be sent out to eligible applicants by email at the end of June. The email will include details of the terms and conditions of the scholarship and an acceptance form that you must return. If you do not confirm acceptance by the date stated on the offer email, your scholarship may be withdrawn and offered to someone else.

### **Further Information**

If you have any further queries about the application process, please email [supportfunds@ntu.ac.uk](mailto:supportfunds@ntu.ac.uk) or call +44 115 848 2494 and ask to speak to a member of the Student Funding Service.