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## 2024 Entry Undergraduate NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary scheme terms and conditions

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### 1. Introduction

1.1 Nottingham Trent University offers the NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary to full-time undergraduate students who meet the eligibility criteria specified below.

1.2 These terms and conditions apply to those joining Nottingham Trent University in the 2023/24 academic year, or those moving from a lower level foundation degree to higher level undergraduate course at Nottingham Trent University in 2024/25.

1.3 The NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary is given in the form of non-repayable cash awards.

1.4 Recipients of the NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary will receive a cash payment of £1000 for each year of their course in line with section 5 of these terms and conditions.

### 2. Eligibility Criteria

2.1 In order to be considered for a 2024 Entry NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary students must meet the following eligibility criteria below:

- i. Students must have been in the care of a local authority in the UK (or have been looked after by relatives who have a court order to look after them in the UK) at some point since the age of 16; *or*  
  
Have been a Foyer Resident in the UK;  
  
and
- ii. Students must be under the age of 25 on 1 September 2024; and
- iii. Students must have joined Nottingham Trent University in the 2024/25 academic year, or moved from a lower level foundation degree to higher level undergraduate course at Nottingham Trent University in 2024/25.
- iv. Students must have been assessed as liable to pay the UK home student rate of tuition fee by the University.

Students who have applied and are eligible for the NTU Estranged Student Bursary you will not be eligible to receive the NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary.

### **3. Application process and assessment for NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary**

3.1 Students can apply for the NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary as soon as they hold a firm unconditional or conditional offer of a place at Nottingham Trent University

3.2 To apply for the NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary, students must complete and submit the NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary application form to the Student Financial Support Service and provide suitable evidence to confirm their time in care.

3.3 It is recommended that applicants apply for the Bursary no later than 04 September 2023. The deadline for applications to be submitted for the 2024/25 NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary is 31 July 2025.

3.4 On receipt of an NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary application, a student's eligibility for a Bursary will be checked against the criteria detailed in Section 2 of the terms and conditions. Their details will then be passed onto the University's Student Support Officers who will make direct contact with eligible recipients to advise them of their entitlement for an NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary, bursary payment arrangements and provide them with details of our services for care leavers.

3.5 Student will receive written confirmation of their entitlement to an NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary from the University's Student Financial Support Service.

3.6 Payment will not usually be released until contact has been made between the University Student Support Officers and the NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary recipient.

### **4. Payment of the £1000 cash award**

4.1 The overall amount of NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary payable to a student for the academic year will be split into two instalments. Eligible students will receive a notification letter each academic year, advising of the dates of payment

4.2 The NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary will be paid directly into the student's bank account. Payment will usually be made by the Student Loans Company, on behalf of the University, using the account details supplied by the student to the Student Loans Company. Payment will be made directly to the student by the University if a student is not in receipt of Student Finance from the Student Loans Company.

### **5. Payments in subsequent years**

5.1 A student who has been assessed as eligible to receive a NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary in 2024/25 will remain eligible to receive a NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary each year for the duration of their course, subject to their remaining fully enrolled and in attendance on their course.

5.2 Foundation degree students awarded a 2024 entry NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary will remain eligible for the 2024 entry NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary if they return to study a 'top-up' undergraduate degree at NTU in a related subject in the academic year following the completion of their foundation degree. The NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary will be paid subject to their continued full-time attendance and

enrolment on the 'top-up' undergraduate degree course and their eligibility to pay home student fees.

5.3 Students will not receive the NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary during any year-long work placement as part of a sandwich degree.

## **6. Effects of changes in a student's status after a NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary has been awarded**

6.1 The University reserves the right to review and (at its sole discretion) revise or revoke the award of an NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary in certain circumstances.

- **Deferral/Suspension of Studies** If the student suspends or defers his/her studies (with the approval of the University and in accordance with the relevant University procedures) part way through a year, no further bursary payments will be released during, or in respect of the period of suspension / deferral. Upon resumption of studies, entitlement to the NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary will usually be reinstated subject to the student meeting the necessary criteria for the NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary in the academic year of his/her return.

- **Withdrawal** If the student's studies are terminated (by the student or the University) part way through an academic year, the NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary will be cancelled and no further bursary payments will be released.

- **Change of course / mode of study** If a student transfers to another course at NTU or changes their mode of study, his/her entitlement to an NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary will be reviewed and the NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary may be withdrawn.

## **7. Miscellaneous provisions**

7.1 Students are obliged to inform the University immediately of any change in their circumstances (including but not limited to those in these terms and conditions) which may affect their entitlement to receive the NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary. In the event of a failure by the student to notify the University promptly of any such changes, the University will be entitled to recover or adjust (as appropriate) any associated Bursary cash payment.

7.2 If the initial assessment confirming eligibility for the NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary was made on the basis of information which was false or materially incorrect at the time of that assessment and thus had the effect of erroneously securing an NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary for the student, the NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary will be cancelled and no further bursary payments will be released;

7.3 The University shall also be entitled to recover or adjust any NTU Care Leaver & Foyer Resident Bursary benefit given in error.