**16-19 Bursary ~ Guidance for StudentsIn order to ascertain whether you are eligible for a 16-19 Bursary you should follow the guidance below.**

**‘Automatically Eligible’ Guaranteed Bursary**

If the answer to any of these questions is ‘YES’ you are ‘automatically eligible’ to receive a £1200 16-19 Bursary.

Are you:

* A young person in care.
* A care leaver (YPLA class ‘care leavers’ as young people aged18-21 who have been looked after for more than 13 weeks or since the age of 14; or young people who cease to be looked after or accommodated).
* A student claiming Income Support or Universal Credit (UC)
* Disabled and receiving both Employment Support or UC and Disability Living Allowance or Personal Independence Payments.

**‘Eligible to Apply’**

If the answer to any of these questions is ‘YES’ you are **eligible to apply** for a ‘Discretionary Bursary’.

**Are you:**

* In receipt of Free School meals?

**Do your parents:**

* Have a household income below £20,817

**Other important information to understand:**

* You must be **under 19 on the 31st August** in the academic year you start your course to be eligible for a Bursary.
* If you **turn 19 during your programme of study** and are 'automatically eligible' for a Bursary or are successful in applying for a ‘Discretionary Bursary’ you will be supported until the end of the academic year or until your course ends whichever is the sooner.