

Scholarships for 2020/21

Please note: applicants should not apply directly to the funding organisation for any of the scholarship awards listed here.

All scholars are expected to agree to the terms and conditions.

The South Square Trust Scholarship Award

The South Square Trust Scholarship will be awarded to a graduate or postgraduate student on the Metalwork Conservation programme who can demonstrate outstanding potential, and a commitment to their studies and a career in the conservation of metals. Applicants should have been mainly educated in the UK.

Value: up to £12,000

Application: Applicants to study Metalwork at West Dean College can apply for this award. The Grants Committee will consider the applications and a recommendation will be made to the Trustees of the South Square Trust for approval.

Terms: The scholarship is for one academic year and will be paid directly to West Dean College in termly instalments towards tuition fees. Scholars must produce a report at the end of each term.

Worshipful Company of Armourers and Brasiers Scholarship

This will be awarded to a student on the Postgraduate Diploma or MA in Conservation of Metalwork programme, who is able to demonstrate excellent potential and a commitment to a future career in their chosen field. Preference will be given to students who have demonstrated an interest and ability in conservation of arms and armour during their Graduate Diploma year.

Value: £1,000

Application: Metalwork students applying for the Postgraduate Diploma or MA Conservation programmes are invited to apply for this award. The Grants Committee will consider the applications and details of the nominee will be sent to The Worshipful Company of Armourers and Brasiers for their records.

Terms: The award is for one academic year and the will be paid directly to West Dean College. The scholar will be expected to produce an interim report during their second term and an end of year report in their final term.

The Worshipful Company of Cutlers Langdon Dowsett Scholarship

The Worshipful Company of Cutlers Langdon Dowsett Scholarship will be awarded to a student under the age of 30 studying on either the FdA Historic Craft Practices in Metalwork, the Graduate Diploma in Conservation of Metalwork or the Postgraduate Diploma in Conservation of Metalwork.

Value: £500

Application: Metalwork students applying to any of the above programmes are welcome to apply for this Scholarship. The Grants Committee will consider the applications and a recommendation will be made to the Worshipful Company of Cutlers for approval.

Terms: The award is for one academic year; paid directly to West Dean College. Scholars are invited to attend the annual Scholars and Prize-winners Reception hosted by the Company, usually held in October. The scholar will be expected to produce an end of year report in the final term.

Bursaries for 2020/21

All bursary-funded students are expected to agree to the terms and conditions.

The Edward James Foundation Bursary Fund

If you need assistance to fund your studies, you can apply for a bursary from The Edward James Foundation Bursary Fund once you have accepted a place to study at West Dean College. The Fund is financed by donations both from The Edward James Foundation itself as part of its charitable objectives and by other organisations and individuals who have made generous donations or bequests to support students.

Applicants should demonstrate a clear financial need and preference will be given to students who show that they are pursuing all possible avenues for raising the funds they will need, including applications to other grant-making trusts, part-time or holiday work and/or student loans. Preference will also be shown to students who have the potential to make a significant contribution to their chosen field.

Grants are given based on individual need. Applicants must be able to demonstrate that they can finance any remaining accommodation and tuition fees not covered by their bursary award. The Grants Committee cannot consider an application without this information.

Bursary for the Foundation Diploma in Art and Design (FDAD)

Bursaries are available for talented students aged 18-30 who are unable to pay the full fees.

Value: up to £2,000

Applications: Applicants who have accepted a place to study on the FDAD programme can apply for a bursary. Applications are considered by the Grants Committee and can be submitted at any time of year.

Terms: Successful students must produce a report detailing the courses they have undertaken as a result of the bursary funding.

Please note: applicants should not apply directly to the funding organisation for any of the bursaries listed below.

Derek Hill Foundation Bursary

The Derek Hill Foundation Bursary will be given to a student studying Fine Arts, focussing on painting or drawing or sculpture or interdisciplinary mix of the two. This is not available to students practising tapestry or textile art. Students must demonstrate financial need.

Value: £3,000

Application: Students on the Fine Arts programme specialising in painting, drawing or sculpture or an interdisciplinary mix of the two are eligible to apply for this award. The Grants Committee will consider the applications and details of the nominee will be sent to The Derek Hill Foundation for their records.

Terms: This bursary is for one academic year. The successful student must produce a report in the final term.

The Skinners' Company, Lawrence Atwell's Charity Awards for Excellence

The Skinners' Company award bursaries towards the cost of studying at West Dean College for up to three students studying on a MA on any Conservation programme. They will also consider students studying for a Graduate Diploma. Applicants should be aged 28 or under, from low income households and be able to demonstrate exceptional potential in their chosen field. Previous scholars are encouraged to reapply for the duration of their studies.

Value: £15,000 between up to three students.

Application: Individuals who have submitted an application to study on one of the programmes outlined above can apply for the award. Applications are considered by the Grants Committee, and a recommendation is made to the Skinners' Company for approval.

Terms: The award is for one academic year. Awardees must produce an end of year report.

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