



Guidance Notes for Educational Bursaries 2019 (to be retained by the applicant)

Background

Dartington Cattle Breeding Trust (the Trust) is a registered charitable trust with the stated objectives, including: *'to improve the quality and health of livestock in Great Britain for the benefit of the public by furthering research, disseminating the useful results of research, supporting new entrants to livestock farming and others developing their livestock enterprises and otherwise furthering education in livestock breeding, animal husbandry and related subjects.'*

To satisfy the objective, the Trust in recent years has awarded up to £50,000 in total annual grants towards research and education annually.

Educational Bursaries

A limited number of bursaries, up to a maximum of £1,000 per annum, are available for suitable students, with a lifetime limit of £3,000 per student. These will be awarded on merit and will take into account the educational level of the course being studied and number of applications received in each year. Awards are made at the sole discretion of Trustees, whose decision is final. Students may apply for an educational bursary annually, as long as all of the eligibility criteria are met. The Trust is unable to award educational bursaries to students on their industrial placement year. *Please note that a completed application form, but without references, is required for each successive year.*

With an ever increasing number of applicants and limited resources, the Trust's priority is to support First Degree students from 2015 onwards. Applications are welcome from Foundation Degree and Extended Diploma students, but funds will be allocated to First Degree applicants initially and any surplus thereafter to Foundation Degree and Extended Diploma applicants.

Eligibility

To be eligible, applicants must meet all the following criteria:-

1. Resident in Devon, Cornwall or Somerset.
2. Study on a course or programme (first degree, diploma or certificate level at a suitable college or university in the United Kingdom), which includes aspects of livestock breeding, husbandry and welfare.

Application

Application Forms can be obtained from: -

By post: Trust Manager, Dartington Cattle Breeding Trust, Hazard Farm, Totnes, Devon, TQ9 7LN
By email: dartingtoncbt@gmail.com
Online: www.dcbt.co.uk

Preference will be given to completed applications received by the Trust Manager at the above address before the **closing date 30 April 2019**.

Initial applications must be accompanied by two signed testimonials, indicating commitment and need, in support of the applicant.

Trustees may choose to interview eligible applicants. The board of Trustees, whose decision is final, will make the final annual awards. A successful applicant may re-apply for further educational bursaries during their course(s) up to the maximum lifetime limit of £3,000 per student.

*Applicants are advised this is a **competitive award**.*

Terms and Conditions

Acceptance of a bursary will mean the recipient will:

1. After receiving the Trust's letter advising a bursary grant has been approved, the college will be asked to post to the Secretary written confirmation of uptake of the course applied for. Failure to satisfy this requirement will result in withdrawal of the award.
2. Spend the money for the purpose approved by the trust, and acknowledge in writing receipt of the cheque.
3. Inform the Trust of any changes in the agreed programme of study or circumstances that prohibits continuation of the agreed programme of study. In exceptional circumstances the grant may be withheld if the change in programme is not consistent with the Trust's Objective.
4. An annual progress report should be submitted or be prepared to meet the Trustees to report on progress.
5. Notify the Trust Manager if you change your contact postal address.
6. Successful applicants agree that the Trust may publicise their names (only) in trade journals and the press.
7. Under the Common Reporting Standards legislation, the Trust is required to ask your residential status for tax purposes and this is covered in the application form. This data will be held by the Trust and reported to HMRC if required, and from there, exchanged abroad, as necessary.

Approximate Timetable

Closing date for applications	30 th April 2019
Applicant interviews (if any)	May 2019
Recommendation for awards to Trustees	June 2019
Decision of Trustees for awards	June 2019
Notification letter to successful applicants	July 2019
Confirmation sought from educational establishments either directly or through students, depending on data protection	October/November 2019
Cheques to successful applicants	December 2019 onwards

Please note:

Payment of grant will only be made once the Trust Manager has received confirmation from the college of course registration and uptake for the academic year.