

Award Summary

The **Falmouth School of Art *Edge Award*** is an annual award designed to encourage students either to explore an area outside of their discipline, or to support the development of particular skills (practical or theoretical) that could enhance their practice. It is NOT intended to fund a specific course requirement such as a placement, study trip or dissertation. However, the hope is that future academic work – and future creative innovation – will be informed and enriched by the experience gained, giving the recipient/s of the award new, potentially innovative perspectives or ‘edge’. As ***Edge Award*** activity is extra-curricular it is expected that projects will be undertaken during the summer vacation period.

The **Falmouth School of Art *Edge Award*** is open to all enrolled Level 2 undergraduate students in the school. The total award fund for 2018 is £2,000. It is envisaged that this will support 2-4 awards, with a maximum individual award of £1,000.

Award winners will be required to give an account of their project or activity including how this opportunity has impacted on their thinking and practice. Reports will be required in a digital format in addition to feedback being provided informally to other students, and on request to the Student Funding Team.

Eligibility & Key Criteria

To be eligible to apply for the award:

- You must be enrolled for the 2017/18 academic year, on Level 2 of a course within the Falmouth School of Art.

Key criteria for the award are:

- The award can only be used to fund the consumable costs relating to extra-curricular projects or activities. Consumable costs are those that will be fully expended by the project and do not include the purchase of large items of equipment. For example, project costs could include travel and accommodation to undertake a research or field trip; costs relating to undertaking specialist training or accessing specialist materials or facilities; purchasing project-specific materials and/or covering other expenses specifically incurred in order to undertake your proposed project.
- The award cannot be used to cover the cost of course organised trips or mandatory work; day-to-day expenses such as rent or food; or regular study materials.
- The award cannot be used to pay yourself or other students for time involved in undertaking or assisting with your project.
- The project or activity to be undertaken should be demonstrably engaging with other disciplines or complementary skills development to support new & innovative approaches to work.
- The project or activity should demonstrate its ‘additional value’ to the applicant - ie what will be gained above and beyond your regular studies within your course.
- Applicants must produce a fully thought-out proposal to include full costings and details of how any additional costs (beyond which an award may cover) will be met.

- Projects must be completed by the end of the summer vacation 2018.
- Award winners will be required to produce an account of how this opportunity has impacted on their thinking and practice in the form of a digital report to be submitted before **Friday 14th September 2018**.
- Additionally, award winners will be required to provide feedback to other students on their experience and receipt of the award, following completion of their project, and to the Student Funding Team, on request.

How to Apply

Students wishing to apply should complete the **Falmouth School of Art Edge Award** application form which should outline your proposal, and include detailed costings and a personal statement. This should be submitted together with a portfolio of images (no less than 5; no more than 10) that you consider best represent your practice. Submissions should be jpeg files of 300mm with your name and contact details clearly indicated on image files.

Completed applications should be submitted by email – as either a Word or PDF attachment - to: studentfunding@falmouth.ac.uk.

Portfolios should be submitted either as email attachments, or via a link to a tumblr page or other on-line viewing platform.

Please note:

ALL application forms must contain a hard signature - this can be a digital signature added to the form, or a scanned copy of a signed form sent as an attachment. Typed names are not sufficient and applications without a personal signature will not be accepted.

Any queries regarding the award should be directed to the Student Funding Team at the email address above.

NO late applications will be considered.

Deadline for applications is:

midday on Friday 13th April 2018

Selection process

A selection panel, chaired by Dr. Ginny Button, Director of the Falmouth School of Art and comprising senior academic staff from the school's undergraduate courses will consider applications.

All applicants will receive a letter (to the address given on their application form), informing them of the outcome of their application, to be sent no later than **Friday 27th April 2018**.