## FALMOUTH UNIVERSITY HARDSHIP FUND COURSE INFORMATION

A SUMMARY OF THE COURSE INFORMATION REQUIRED AND GUIDANCE ON HOW TO COMPLETE THIS SECTION OF THE HARDSHIP FUND APPLICATION THE FALMOUTH UNIVERSITY HARDSHIP FUND IS DESIGNED TO HELP STUDENTS WHO HAVE ENCOUNTERED **UNFORESEEN** FINANCIAL PROBLEMS DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR. THE ASSESSMENT WILL CONSIDER YOUR INCOME, OUTGOINGS AND ORIGINAL FINANCIAL PLAN AT THE POINT OF ENROLMENT TO THE ACADEMIC YEAR.

THESE NOTES ARE DESIGNED TO HELP YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT INFORMATION IS CONSIDERED SURROUNDING YOUR **COURSE DETAILS**.

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In addition to this information sheet; further guidance is available on each stage of the assessment process:

- General Notes and Terms
- Personal Details
- Expenditure
- Income
- Supporting Evidence
- Appeals

## Questions in the application form

#### Are you awaiting an assessment board decision?

If you are awaiting a decision from an Assessment Board, please mark 'Yes'. This isn't the usual wait for marks, but if you have appealed a decision or are unclear if you're able to progress. Please then give additional detail on your situation as part of your Supporting Statement.

# Do you feel you have significantly higher course costs than the figures stated in the guidance notes (see below)? If so, please state them here.

Course costs are automatically assumed based on feedback from academics and students (see Fig 1). These amounts are considered as being reasonable for your course. However, if you feel that your course costs are significantly and justifiably higher than those stated in the table below, please give details.

## Are you requesting financial support toward special equipment/material which is not covered by DSA, or for the cost of diagnostic test?

If eligible for DSA, you will receive support to help you manage your disability for the purposes of studying. If you are acknowledging this fact but believe you need *additional* support to help cope with your disability, then please tick 'Yes' here and give a full explanation in your Supporting Statement.

### Course costs

#### Fig 1. Assumed material/course costs

Course Banding	Assumed weekly costs
Band 1 Undergraduate Architecture, Fine Art, Game Art, Graphic Design, Illustration, Marine & Natural History Photography, Photography, Press & Editorial Photography, Fashion Photography, Sustainable Product Design, Textile Design. Postgraduate Game Art, Game Design, Illustration Authorial Practice, MA Entrepreneurship	£35
Band 2 Undergraduate Fashion Design, Performance Sportswear Design, Sportswear design, Creative Advertising, Fashion Marketing, all Animation, Drawing, Interior Design. Postgraduate Artificial Intelligence for Games, Communication Design, Creative Advertising, MPhil/PhD Research Degree	£30
Band 3 Undergraduate Acting, Creative Music Technology, & Visual Effects, Film, Music, Music Theatre & Entertainment Management, Popular Music, Television, Technical Theatre Arts (2 <sup>nd</sup> Year) Postgraduate Film & Television	£20
Band 4 Undergraduate All Business courses, Creative Events Management, Creative Writing, Dance & Performance, Dance & Choreography, Digital Games, Digital Media, all English courses, Journalism, Journalism & Creative Writing, Theatre & Performance. Postgraduate Business Finance Innovation, Professional Writing	£10

Note that:

- Undergraduate students on a 3 year degree, will be assessed over a period of 35 weeks.
- Undergraduate students on a 2 year accelerated degree, will be assessed over a period of 49 weeks
- Full time postgraduate students will be assessed over 52 weeks.
- Part time postgraduate students will be assessed over 43 weeks

## Additional information

Some information to be considered by the Panel will be automatically retrieved from university records, this includes:

#### Mode of Attendance in the current academic year

Your mode of attendance will either be full-time; part-time or intermitting (which includes "assessment only"). If studying for only one semester (ie for a retake), students may still be considered full-time, but only for the one semester of study. During the semester where attendance is not required, it will be expected that the student will work full-time to cover their costs. If this is not possible; please give detail in the Supporting Statement.

#### Course details

Details such as your course title; year of study and start date will be automatically populated through internal university records.

#### Course fees

Your tuition fees will be automatically populated through internal university records. If you need the Panel to be aware of any additional/related information, then please give detail in the Supporting Statement.

### Further Support and Guidance

For further advice on how to apply to the Hardship Fund, please contact one of the below support teams:

The Hardship Panelfalhardship@falmouth.ac.ukThe Student Unionadvice@thesu.org.uk; 01326 255861The Student Finance Teamstudent.finance@falmouth.ac.uk; 01326 255310