

The Clothworkers' MA Material Futures Bursary Guidance Notes

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About the Donor

Clothworkers' Company is one of the 'Great Twelve' livery companies in the City of London. Founded in 1528 to regulate the clothworking trade in the City, the mission of The Clothworkers' Company today is to inspire and empower individuals and communities through action, partnership and financial support. We are particularly focused on UK textiles, charity governance, and philanthropy. For almost 500 years, championing textiles has remained at the heart of who we are and what we do. We are a leading supporter of the UK textiles sector, developing partnerships that enable us to invest in and support academic research and innovation, skills development, training, textiles design, heritage and conservation.

Find out more at www.Clothworkers.co.uk, or find us on Facebook, Instagram (@Clothworkers_Co), Twitter (@ClothworkersCo) or LinkedIn.

About the Scholarship

- £10,000 (£5,000 per year)
- For 1 **Home** student
- For tuition fess
- Enrolled on the first year of the MA Material Futures course at CSM

The scholarship will be assessed on the basis of financial need and academic merit. It will provide a contribution towards tuition fees.

Applications are welcome from those who are in financial hardship, with an interest in focusing on textiles and those who will benefit from postgraduate studies to realise their full potential.

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for the Clothworkers' MA Material Futures Bursary students must be:

- Considered a Home student for tuition fee purposes and;
- Enrolled on the first year of the full-time MA Material Futures course at Central Saint Martins, UAL starting in September 2023 and;
- Can demonstrate an interest in focusing on textiles during their studies.

Key Dates

Closing date:

All applications must be received by **9am**, **Monday 22 January 2024**. **N.B.** We cannot accept applications that are incomplete or arrive late.

How to Apply

Applications for this scholarship must be made by filling in an online application form via the funding tab in the <u>UAL Student Portal</u>.

In addition to the online application form, you will need to upload the following supplementary materials uploaded to the student portal:

- 1. An electronic portfolio uploaded on the Student Portal containing <u>one PDF document</u> [20MB maximum] which should be an example of what you consider to be your best work for the Selection Panel to review, and must include:
 - o a title page with your name and course title
 - an introductory page of no more than 500 words explaining your work, methodology and inspiration
 - up to 15 pages of your best work e.g. images, written materials, essays or links to video work with <u>each image, file or link</u> numbered and clearly labelled showing the date of production and, if relevant, title, size and materials used.
- 2. A copy of your most up to date Curriculum Vitae (CV) or Résumé
- 3. Evidence of your household income (uploaded to the student portal)

Examples:

- i. Student's bank statements for the last 3 months and
- ii. Parent's or Partner's most recent pay slips for the last 3 months or
- iii. Parent's or Partner's annual tax statements and
- iv. External scholarship award for the current academic year notification and
- v. Investments, bonds and savings for parents/partner and/or student
- **N.B.** If you are a **dependant** then your household income includes the income of your parent(s) / guardian(s). If you are an **independent student**, your household income includes the income of your partner. Translated and original copies should be provided if the original copy is not in English language
- 4. Evidence of medical condition (if applicable)

Examples:

- i. Doctors' / Hospital letters
- **N.B.** These should be from a qualified medical practitioner, signed, dated within the last 3 months. Translated and original copies should be provided if the original copy is not in English language
- 5. Evidence of financial hardship* (if applicable)

Examples:

- i. Overdrafts
- ii. Expenditure
- iii. Overdue rent letters
- iv. Bailiffs / debt collection letters

N.B. Translated and original copies should be provided if the original copy is not in English language

NB: If you have any technical issues when uploading your supporting documents to the student portal, please upload your documents via our <u>online enquiry form</u>

*Financial hardship refers to unexpected events or unforeseen changes that have negative impacts on cash flow or finances. For example: changes in income or expenditure, changes in employment status (such as losing a job or having hours reduced). This does not include last month's rent or bills.

The Assessment Procedure for Applications

Step 1:

After you submit your application, it will initially be assessed by the Student Funding Service at University of the Arts London, where it will be ranked according to financial need. This process will be based on the financial information you supplied in your application.

N.B. further evidence may be requested at a later date in order to complete the assessment.

Step 2:

Candidates who meet the financial ranking thresholds will be forwarded to an assessment panel for shortlisting. The assessment panel will consider the applicants based on academic merit and creative excellence.

Step 3:

An academic panel will make their final selections by marking the quality of application and the readiness of the applicant to achieve a highly in the discipline, and the applicant's ability to articulate how The Clothworkers' MA Material Futures Bursary will contribute to their studies.

Finally, the selection panel makes their last decision on who to award the funding to.

The Clothworkers' MA Material Futures Bursary

The following terms and conditions apply to acceptance onto The Clothworkers' MA Material Futures Bursary:

- The scholarship will provide a contribution towards course tuition fees.
- Tuition fees will be paid directly from the award into the University's Tuition Fees account in annual instalments of £5000 each
- Applicants must enrol on the course in the same academic year for which they have applied for funding. Failure to do so will result in either:
 - The application being rejected

OR

- The award being withdrawn.
- For continuing students of EU Overseas fee status, although the tuition fee is the equivalent
 to that of a Home fee status student, this does not qualify EU Overseas students for awards
 for Home fee students. Home fees students meet the UK residency criteria and EU
 Overseas students do not meet the residency requirement but the University is committed
 to EU Overseas students paying Home fees until the end of their course post-Brexit.
- When assessing financial hardship, the University considers any household income of £80,000 per annum or below as the criteria for financial hardship.
- UAL will share personal data from completed scholarship application forms and portfolios of award applicants with the award donor. Information on academic progress and final results of scholars may be shared with the award donor.
 N.B. It cannot be guaranteed that applicants or scholars data will be as protected as it would be within the European Economic Area if the trustees of the donor are based outside of the European Economic Area.
- Applicants may withdraw consent to share information with UAL and external partnership sponsors at any time by contacting the Student Funding Service via our <u>online enquiry form</u>.
 This may result in the application and/or award being withdrawn if UAL is longer able to determine eligibility for support.
- Award recipients cannot be in receipt of more than one UAL affiliated or administered award. Applicants can apply for more than one award, but if offered more than one UAL affiliated or administered award, the recipient will need to choose which to receive. However, in exceptional circumstances, on a case by case basis, we may consider two awards if the combined awards are less than £5000 in total.
- Applicants can be in receipt of a UAL award and a non-UAL award (subject to the terms and conditions of the non-UAL award).
- Award recipients are expected to attend all timetabled classes and tutorials. The only
 exception to this is periods of absence due to illness and extenuating circumstances.
 Attendance will be monitored and any student with a poor attendance record may risk their
 award being terminated.
- Award recipients are expected to attend a small number of College and University events
 to promote scholarship support to potential donors and to meet with scholarship supporters
 at these events (both during and after completing their course).

- The award will be terminated if registration/enrolment lapses on any grounds other than a temporary suspension of study due to extenuating circumstances
 N.B. Any absence due to extenuating circumstances must follow university <u>procedures</u>
- No applicant for the award should make any decisions regarding their enrolment, financial arrangements, accommodation or other matters that rely on the outcome of their application being successful.
- All applicants will be informed of the final decision via email. Emails will be sent to the UAL email address for all enrolled students.

More Information

Please contact the Student Funding Service via our <u>online enquiry form</u> for assistance or with any queries relating to the application process and this scholarship, or visit our <u>Scholarships Search</u> page.

If you are unable to upload your supporting documents on the student portal, please contact the Student Funding Service via our <u>online enquiry form</u>

Checklist

Use this list to help ensure you have completed every part of the application before submitting.

Table 1 Evidence Checklist

Have you:	Yes	Not applicable
Filled out the online application form?		
Created your PDF portfolio?		
Created a title page with your name and course title?		
Added an introduction (500 words maximum)?		
Included images, links, essays, written material (15 pages maximum)?		
Numbered the images?		
Labelled the images?		
Added the date of production? (if applicable)		
Included a title for all labels? (if applicable)		
Included a size on the labels? (if applicable)		

Have you:	Yes	Not applicable
Included details of the material/s used in the original? (if applicable)		
Uploaded your PDF Portfolio?		
Included your Curriculum Vitae / Résumé?		
Included evidence of your household income?		
Included evidence of your medical condition? (if applicable)		
Included evidence of your financial hardship? (if applicable)		