

EXPLANATORY NOTES RELATING TO THE 2025/26 LEVINE BURSARIES

The Levine Bursaries have been funded by generous donations from Old Members of Trinity College and are administered by Trinity College. Alongside government and other funding, the Bursaries aim to ensure that students can afford to benefit academically and otherwise to the maximum from their time at Trinity. The Bursaries are not intended to replace other sources of funding available to the student or his or her family.

The Bursaries will be awarded on the basis of financial need and, subject only to continuing satisfactory academic performance and no material change in the financial circumstances of the student and his or her family, will be awarded for the normal duration of the student's undergraduate degree, i.e. for the three or four years of the course. The Bursaries may exceptionally be awarded for longer periods at the sole discretion of the College.

Although the College will consider all applications, the following criteria will normally apply:

- Household income is between £32,500 and £80,000 per annum. Students whose household income is below £32,500 will be automatically eligible for the Oxford University Crankstart Scholarship scheme and therefore will not require a Levine Bursary;
- Awards made to students under the Oxford University Bursary scheme will be taken into
 account when assessing eligibility for a Levine Bursary. Details of this scheme can be found at
 https://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/undergraduate/fees-and-funding/oxford-support;
- Weighting will be given to applications from students whose family has financial commitments that place pressure on its ability to support the student;
- Weighting will be given to applications from students who are experiencing family breakdown or bereavement;
- International students are unlikely to qualify for a Levine Bursary since this fund is primarily intended for students paying Home fees.

Normally the value of a Levine Bursary will be in the range £900-£3,000 per annum, according to individual circumstances. In no case may a Levine Bursary exceed the absolute maximum of £6,000.

The decision of the College as to the numbers, recipients and value of Levine Bursaries is final.

CONFIDENTIALITY

In order properly to assess applications, the College requires personal information about the Student and his or her family. The College undertakes that all information disclosed in the application form and in the annual declarations will be treated in strict confidence. The only members of the College

who will see the information will be the College Accountant and those members of the Governing Body who are responsible for the award of the Bursaries. The application form and all annual declarations will be destroyed at the end of the student's course. Applicant data will be handled in conformance with the College's GDPR policy, which is available on the Trinity College website.

NOTES FOR COMPLETION OF THE APPLICATION FORM

Students should complete Section 1 and sign the Declaration by the Student. Parents or guardians should complete the remaining Sections and the Declaration by the Parent(s)/ Guardian(s).

We recommend that you provide as much information as possible when completing the application form so the decision about the application can be made on the basis of the most comprehensive, accurate and relevant facts. However, if you do not wish to disclose any of the information requested in the application form, please explain the reasoning in Section 10. Non-disclosure will not automatically disqualify applicants.

The form has been devised on the basis of the student having two parents or guardians who will be responsible for supporting the student during the course of his or her course. In the event that this is not the case, please complete the form according to the student's personal circumstances, explaining the situation in Section 10.

These notes are by reference to the numbering system on the application form.

- 1.G In order to help the greatest number of students who need financial assistance, all those who apply for a Levine Bursary are expected to have applied for other financial support that is available to them, including government funding, trusts and foundations, members of the family, etc..
- 2. The Parent(s)/ Gurdian(s) is/are defined as the individual or individuals responsible for supporting the Student during the course of his or her course.
- 2.C Please state the nature of the relationship to the student, for example "Mother" or "Father".

For all information in Sections 4, 5 and 6, please supply accurate figures wherever possible. Where this is not practical, for example in the case of the value of an owned property, the College will accept approximations. Please mark any such approximations with an asterisk.

For all information in Sections 4, 5 and 6, please disclose financial information in Pounds sterling.

- 4. Please state the current <u>annual</u> income of the Parent(s)/Guardian(s) from the various possible sources described in this Section. If applicable, in the case of 4.B, please disclose the taxable profits of the trade or profession for the last two available accounting periods.
 - Please enter "N/A" where the Parent has no current income from the various possible sources.
- 5. Please state the <u>annual</u> figures for the four categories of expenditure in this Section. Please enter "N/A" where the Parent has no current liability under each sub-Section.

- 6. Please state "N/A" where appropriate.
- 7. Please exclude the student from this Section but include all other children for whom the Parent(s)/Guardian(s) are responsible, including those in tertiary education.
- 7.E Please disclose annual fees after any bursaries received.
- 8. Please disclose any other dependents for whom the Parent(s)/Guardian(s) are responsible, for example their parents or other family members.
- 9. As stated above, please provide as much information as possible to support of the application.
- 10. Trinity College is aware that individual circumstances vary considerably. Any additional, relevant information to that already provided in support of the application will enable the College to base its decision on the most comprehensive, accurate and relevant information. Please use an additional sheet if needed.

If you do not understand any of the questions or require further explanation, please contact the College Accountant on nasera.cummings@trinity.ox.ac.uk

Applications forms and supporting documentation must be submitted before 30th September 2025 by e-mail to the College Accountant at the above address or in hard copy by post to:

The College Accountant, Trinity College, Broad Street, Oxford OX1 3BH United Kingdom.

In exceptional circumstances of unforeseen financial hardship, applications may be considered throughout the year.

July 2025