

The 'Margaret Giffen Bursary'

Value and Benefits:

The bursary aims to provide financial support for disabled equestrian students. Primarily this will assist with additional costs associated with your disabilities. The amount available is variable depending upon individual applications, and will be given annually for the duration of the course that you apply for.

Who can apply?

Any UK students who meet the eligibility criteria.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Applicants must have applied to study an Equine focused programme at Hartpury College by 30th June, 2010.
- Applicants must be able to provide evidence of a diagnosed disability (e.g. an Educational Psychologist report, Specialist Teacher report or medical evidence / report regarding physical disabilities or mental health conditions).

When to Apply:

Applications should be submitted by 30th June, 2010 to the following address:

'Margaret Giffen Bursary'
FAO: Graham Ledden,
Vice Principal - Business and Finance,
Hartpury College,
Hartpury,
Gloucestershire
GL19 3BE

Do I have to make a separate application? Yes, this is submitted separately to formal application forms to your programme of study. The application should take the form of a written letter, covering the following points:

- Programme of study applied for.
- Equestrian experience and qualifications to date.
- Brief description of disability.
- How financial support would make a difference to improving your student experience (eg the purchase of specialized riding equipment; individual riding lessons; additional individual support etc.). (100 to 300 words).
- References from a riding instructor / coach supporting the application (this is optional).

The College reserves the right to seek additional information if deemed appropriate.

Please note that the Bursary:

- Does **not** have to be paid back unless you withdraw from your course during the academic year.
- Is in **addition** to Government grants and loans, and other College Bursaries.
- Will be paid after enrolment each year for the duration of your course, subject to satisfactory behaviour and academic progress.
- Will be awarded in respect of the specific course for which you applied. Any changes that you make to your pattern of study (moving full time to part time), extending your course duration or changing courses may lead to a reassessment of any award.

Funds are limited so please apply early.