

Colchester Institute Foundation Trust (CIFT)

Formed in 1996 as a Registered Charity (No. 1060317), CIFT Colchester Institute Foundation Trust's principal purpose is to benefit Colchester Institute students who are experiencing financial hardship to the extent that they are unable to participate at College and complete or achieve their qualifications.



In a lot of cases, due to their college commitments, students are unable to undertake formal employment, and there are those whose financial situations are really desperate and there simply isn't the financial support available within College funds to help them to continue to study and shape their futures.

Colchester Institute Foundation Trust welcomes applications from any student who is unable to access financial support offered through the usual college support funds. Students must be able to demonstrate commitment to their chosen course of study and the impact of the award is the difference between them staying on the course or having to withdraw.

The CIFT Fund is limited, and any award is given at the discretion of the Trustees.

A report of how any award has contributed to the achievement may be asked for at the request of the CIFT Trustees.

CIFT Funds cannot be used to pay for tuition fees.

If your application to CIFT is successful, in some instances awards may be paid directly into your bank account by BACS. Please provide your bank details in the section below:

Name of Account Holder.....

Name of Bank.....

Sort Code..... **Account Number**.....

Roll No (Building Society only).....

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		Date
Decision	Approved / Rejected	
Amount Awarded		
Approved		
Authorised		
Applicant notified		
Comments		

Application for Colchester Institute Foundation Trust Award 2024 / 25

Name..... Student ID Number.....

Email..... Phone.....

Course.....

FE Student HE Student Apprentice

Amount of award requested (maximum £500).....

Please describe what are you requesting financial support for, including an indication of cost and whether you are able to contribute in part. If you are requesting help with travel costs, please include how you travel to college / work and the distance travelled.

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Please write a short account outlining why you are applying for this award and how this will help with your studies at Colchester Institute / UCC. Please explain why you are unable to meet the costs in any other way.

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If you are an apprentice, what is your hourly rate of pay / monthly salary?.....

Have you applied for financial help from either:

UCC Hardship Fund (for degree level courses)	Y / N
College Bursary Fund	Y / N

Signature..... Date

By signing this application form you are giving consent for representatives of CIFT to review your academic attendance, progress, and achievement, and to seek feedback / supporting information from your course tutor, for the purposes of deciding on your application.

Please return this form to Clare Garner – Student Services (clare.garner@colchester.ac.uk).