

Financial Contingency Fund (FCF)



Coleg Gŵyr Abertawe
Gower College Swansea

The FCF is a hardship fund open to all full time students where the household income is less than £20,000 (gross income). Funds are allocated on a first come, first served basis. You will need to provide proof of household income and, if applicable, proof of your residential status. The fund opens on the 1 June and, due to the College being closed until further notice, we can only accept online applications. Please click on the link to download an application form.

If you are a returning student and received FCF funding last year, please be aware FCF is a yearly grant and you must complete a new application form to reapply for funding.

Step by step guide:

Section A: Residential status

Please tick the relevant box that applies to your status. If you have ticked yes to Question 2, you will need to attach a scanned picture of your passport along with the application form.

Section B: Student details

Please ensure you tick all relevant boxes, you won't have a Student ID yet if you are a new student.

Section C: Your course details

Under the main area(s) of study, please list the AS or A Level subjects you are studying or the name of your vocational course.

Enter the start date 01/09/20 (you will be notified of any change to this date).

Tick if you are a full or part time student and at which campus you will be studying.

Section D: Your request for FCF support

Please tick Yes or No if you require a bus pass to travel to College.

Only complete Question 6 if you need help towards childcare costs. One of our Student Funding Advisors will contact you for additional information and you will also be asked to complete a Childcare Agreement Form. You will need to provide copies of your children's birth certificates.

Section E: Household details and evidence required

Question 7: please enter details of all household members and their relationship to you. We will not include any income, benefits or pension from siblings or grandparents unless the student is financially dependent on them.

Where we ask you to supply original evidence to assess the household income, we are now accepting copies or screen prints which must be sent with your online application. At this current time, bank statements do not need to be stamped by your bank.

Check the table of evidence required against your source of income and ensure you attach copies of everything we ask for.

If you are in receipt of Universal Credit we will need to see a breakdown showing the different elements you receive.

Section F: Declaration

Type in the student and parent names against the signatures and date the form.

Section G: Return this form

To prevent any delay in the College processing your application, please check you have completed all sections of the form and attached the relevant household income needed.

For students studying at Tycoch, Llwyn y Bryn, Kingsway Centre or Jubilee Court please email this application form with financial evidence to: FCFApplicationsTYC@gcs.ac.uk

For students studying at Gorseinon please email this application form with financial evidence to: FCFApplicationsGors@gcs.ac.uk

When your application has been assessed, all financial evidence will be deleted in line with GDPR regulations. If your application meets the eligibility criteria, we will email you a pre-allocation letter. Keep your letter safe and we will advise you when you need to bring your letter to College, or a copy. If you don't have printing facilities, don't worry as we will have your details on the College system.