

Student Bursary Initiative – Terms & Conditions

We're delighted to support our members as they take the next step into higher education through the Evolve Credit Union Student Bursary Initiative.

Please read the following terms and conditions before submitting your application.

1. Evolve Credit Union will award a **£750 bursary** to one successful applicant from each of the following areas: **Causeway, Ballymena, Randalstown and Antrim**.
2. Applicants must be **18 years of age or over** at the closing date for applications.
3. Applicants must be a **saving member** of Evolve Credit Union and have an active **Direct Debit of at least £5 per month** into their savings account.
4. Applicants must provide proof of acceptance or enrolment on a recognised higher education course, such as a university, college or equivalent institution.
5. Successful applicants will be invited to take part in promotional activities to help celebrate their achievement. This may include having photographs taken, participating in a short testimonial video and allowing this content to be shared on Evolve Credit Union's website, social media channels and other promotional materials.
6. Evolve Credit Union may request additional information or documentation to confirm an applicant's eligibility.
7. Applications containing false or misleading information may be disqualified.
8. Eligible applications will be considered by a panel appointed by Evolve Credit Union. The panel will assess applications based on the information provided and the published eligibility criteria.
9. Evolve Credit Union reserves the right to amend, suspend or withdraw the Student Bursary Initiative if circumstances require.
10. The panel's decision is final and, unfortunately, we are unable to enter into correspondence regarding the outcome of applications.

Evolve Credit Union Student Bursary Initiative

Application Form

Evolve Credit Union is offering four student bursaries of £750, with one bursary awarded in each of the following areas:

Causeway, Ballymena, Randalstown and Antrim

Please complete all sections of this application form. Incomplete applications may not be considered.

1. Applicant Details

Full name:

Date of birth:

Home address:

Postcode:

Mobile number:

Email address:

Evolve Credit Union membership number:

Evolve Credit Union area/branch:

- ☐ Causeway
- ☐ Ballymena
- ☐ Randalstown
- ☐ Antrim

2. Membership and Savings

Do you currently have an active Direct Debit of at least £5 per month into your Evolve Credit Union savings account?

☐ Yes

☐ No

How long have you been a member of Evolve Credit Union?

☐ Less than 3 months

☐ 3–12 months

☐ 1–3 years

☐ More than 3 years

How long has your savings Direct Debit been active?

☐ Less than 3 months

☐ 3–12 months

☐ More than 12 months

3. Course Details

Name of university, college or education provider:

Name of course:

Course level or qualification:

Course start date:

Expected course duration:

Are you:

☐ Awaiting confirmation of your place

☐ Holding a confirmed offer

☐ Already enrolled on the course

Please attach proof of acceptance or enrolment with your application.

4. Personal Statement

Please tell us about yourself, your chosen course and how receiving the £750 bursary would support you during your studies.

You may wish to include:

- Why you selected your course;
- Your future plans or career ambitions;
- Any financial pressures or challenges you expect to face;
- How the bursary would be used; and
- Any involvement in your local community, volunteering, employment or extracurricular activities.

Maximum 300 words

5. Use of the Bursary

Please briefly explain how you expect to use the bursary.

- ☐ Tuition or course fees
- ☐ Accommodation costs
- ☐ Books or course materials
- ☐ Laptop, tablet or IT equipment
- ☐ Travel expenses
- ☐ Specialist equipment or clothing
- ☐ Living expenses
- ☐ Other

If other, please provide details:

6. Promotional Activity

Successful applicants will be required to participate in reasonable promotional activity for Evolve Credit Union. This may include photographs, a short testimonial video and the use of this content across Evolve Credit Union's website, social media channels and other marketing materials.

Please confirm that you agree to participate in this activity if selected.

☐ Yes, I agree

☐ No

Please note that applicants who do not agree to the required promotional activity may not be eligible for the bursary.

7. Applicant Declaration

I confirm that:

- I am 18 years of age or over at the closing date for applications;
- The information provided in this application is true and accurate;
- I am applying on my own behalf;
- I am a member of Evolve Credit Union;
- I have an active Direct Debit of at least £5 per month into my savings account;
- I have provided, or will provide, evidence of acceptance or enrolment on a recognised higher education course;
- I understand that Evolve Credit Union may request additional documentation to verify my eligibility;
- I understand that providing false or misleading information may result in my application being disqualified; and
- I have read and agree to the Student Bursary Initiative Terms and Conditions.

Applicant signature:

Date:

8. Data Protection

The personal information provided in this application will be used by Evolve Credit Union to administer and assess applications for the Student Bursary Initiative, verify eligibility and contact applicants regarding the outcome.

Information will be accessed only by those involved in administering and assessing the bursary and will be retained in accordance with Evolve Credit Union's data retention requirements.

Further information about how Evolve Credit Union uses personal information is available in its Privacy Notice.

9. Application Checklist

Before submitting your application, please confirm that you have included:

- ☐ Completed application form
- ☐ Personal statement
- ☐ Proof of acceptance or enrolment
- ☐ Any other supporting documentation requested

Closing date for applications:

Applications should be submitted by:

Applications should be sent to: marketing@evolvecu.co.uk

Office Use Only

Date received:

Eligibility confirmed:

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Membership verified:

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Direct Debit verified:

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Course evidence received:

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Area:

- ☐ Causeway
- ☐ Ballymena
- ☐ Randalstown
- ☐ Antrim

Panel outcome:

- ☐ Successful
- ☐ Unsuccessful
- ☐ Reserve

Notes:
