



The Tottenham Grammar School Foundation

FAQs for Somerset Awards and Somerset Undergraduate Awards

These questions are intended as a quick guide for individual students to find out more about what assistance they might be able to apply for through our Somerset Awards and Somerset Undergraduate Awards.

If you represent a school or an organisation, please contact the Clerk to the Foundation directly (see 'Contact us' section for details).

I am going to college this year. I live in the London Borough of Haringey but I did not attend a school in the borough. Can I apply for a Somerset Award?

You can apply provided you attended a state-maintained secondary school for the majority of your secondary school education, even if the school was not in the London Borough of Haringey.

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My college course is A levels. Can I apply for a Somerset Award?

No. The Somerset Award is only available to students studying full-time vocational courses.

My college course is AS levels. Can I apply for a Somerset Award?

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My college course is GCSEs. Can I apply for a Somerset Award?

No. The Somerset Award is only available to students studying full-time vocational courses.

My college course is part-time. Can I apply for a Somerset Award?

No. The Somerset Award is only available to students studying full-time vocational courses.

I received a Somerset Award last year. Can I apply again?

Usually yes, but conditions apply. If you stated on your application form last year that you were on year one of a two-year course (or year two of a three-year course), the Foundation will automatically send you a Continuation Letter before the start of the new academic year. If you have not received your letter by mid-August, please email the Foundation and include your Award Reference Number.

I moved house during my secondary school education and no longer live in the London Borough of Haringey. Can I still apply for an Award?

You may be eligible. You should have been a London Borough of Haringey resident for the majority of your secondary school education. Please state your previous Haringey address and the date you moved house in the space provided on the application form. The Foundation will then decide on your eligibility.

I have missed the 28 February deadline for the Somerset Award. Can I apply retrospectively next year for the year I have missed?

No. Once the deadline for a particular academic year has passed, it is not possible to receive funding for that year.

I'm not sure if my secondary school is in the London Borough of Haringey. What are the eligible secondary schools?

This restriction no longer applies. Applicants must have been a London Borough of Haringey resident for the majority of their time at a state-maintained secondary school during their secondary school education but that school does not need to have been within Haringey.

I think I am eligible for a Somerset Undergraduate Award but I only found out about it after the deadline. Can I apply next year?

Yes, as long as you are still enrolled on and attending the course. Please note that this Award is paid in annual instalments and you cannot claim retrospectively for any year you have missed.

I have missed the 28 February deadline. When can I apply for next year?

Application forms for the Somerset Undergraduate Award and the Somerset Award are published on 1 May prior to the academic year to which they relate. Do not use an application form from a previous academic year.

I have moved house since leaving school and no longer live in the London Borough of Haringey. Can I still apply for an Award?

Yes. You must state your previous Haringey address and the date you moved house in the space provided on the application form.

I received a Somerset Undergraduate Award last year. Can I apply again?

If you indicated on your original application that you were not in the final year of your course, you do not need to reapply. The Foundation will send you a Continuation Letter

before the start of the new academic year. If you have not received it by mid-August, please email the Foundation with your Award Reference Number.

I am going to university this year. I live in the London Borough of Haringey but I did not attend a school in Haringey. Can I apply for a Somerset Undergraduate Award?

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I am going to university this year. I live in the London Borough of Haringey and attended a primary school there, but I did not attend a secondary school in Haringey. Can I apply for a Somerset Undergraduate Award?

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Why is the value of my Award lower than my friends' who applied in a previous year?

Somerset Undergraduate Awards are paid annually for up to three years. The value of each annual instalment can differ, so award amounts may vary depending on the year in which a student first applied.