



Abertay University

SCHOLARSHIP GUIDANCE

SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS

Name of Scholarship	Jody Gallagher Scholarship
Decision Making Panel <i>Decision panel members may access your student record and utilise their knowledge of your academic performance as part of the decision making process.</i>	A representative from : Division of Games and Arts A representative from : Jackie Rowan (main donor of the scholarship)

SCHOLARSHIP BACKGROUND AND INFORMATION

The Jody Gallagher Scholarship is open to students who are in Year 2, 3 or 4 of the BA (Hons) Computer Arts degree.

The one-year scholarship was established to provide financial support to students who are from a low-income household and have overcome financial obstacles to attend Abertay. Students must demonstrate that they are in significant financial need as well as showing their commitment to continue their studies at Abertay, and interested in working in the computer games sector.

Background Information

The scholarship was established in memory of Abertay alum Jody Gallagher who passed away in early 2019. Jody studied Computer Arts in between 2002 and 2004 before he went onto work for companies such as Blade Interactive, Outplay, and 4J. He briefly set up his own Games Company and lectured on an ad-hoc basis at Dundee & Angus College.

Jody was excited in helping students in realising their passion for computer games and that they continue to strive working towards their chosen career. This Scholarship was set up to ease the financial burden for these students.

The donations for the scholarship was organised by his mother Jackie and by Jody's friends and family who continue to give via JustGiving. Further information on the donation can be found here: www.justgiving.com/fundraising/jodygallagher

WHAT KIND OF FUNDING IS AVAILABLE?

The scholarship amounts to £1,250 and is paid in two instalments over the one academic year.

First instalment: 30 November 2020

Second instalment: 30 April 2021

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be considered for this scholarship applicants must meet **all** of the following criteria:

- Be commencing year 2, 3 or 4 of the BA (Hons) Computer Arts Degree in September 2019
- Be able to demonstrate a financial need for support in the application form
- Be able to demonstrate that you want to work in the Computer Games sector after completing your degree
- Be willing to meet the donor and/or write a letter of thanks.
- Take part in any publicity and marketing material for the Scholarship.

AWARD CONDITIONS

Applicants must be willing and able to meet the following award conditions if successful:

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| 1. <i>To submit a short report to the donor on how the scholarship has benefited you and about your chosen degree by 1st April 2020. Emailed directly to Nazhat Ahmed, Development Officer n.ahmed@abertay.ac.uk</i> |
| 2. <i>To write a Thank You letter addressed to the Award Donor</i> |
| 3. <i>To give permission for elements of your report/Thank You letter to be quoted for promotional materials</i> |
| 4. <i>To meet with the Donor at the Donors request</i> |
| 5. <i>To take part in promotional activity relating to this Award</i> |

HOW CAN I APPLY?

Applications may be downloaded and completed on a device or printed and completed by hand. A typed signature may be accepted where the application has been completed electronically.

Applications must be submitted with the **supporting evidence** detailed below.

EVIDENCE AND DEADLINE

Evidence to be attached:

- A written Academic Reference i.e. Lecturer or tutor
- Student Funding Letter of Award (SAAS / Student Finance award letter/Other sponsor if applicable)

Closing date: Monday 2nd November 2020

APPLICATION SUBMISSION

Completed applications and evidence should be submitted to the Advisory Service through the live form available on Connect, accessible with your student account.

APPLICATION QUERIES AND ASSISTANCE

Staff in the Advisory Service can offer support and guidance with the application process including:

- Feedback on the first draft of your personal statement by email or at a Drop In
- Application checking face to face at a Drop In
- Advice on where to look for opportunities
- Eligibility queries for awards that we administer
- Evidence queries

*Please make contact at **least 4 weeks before the application deadline** to ensure that there is adequate time for a member of staff to look at your email and for you to make alterations based on the feedback provided.*

To check the available **drop in times** or to make an **appointment** with a Student Advisor use the link below or call SEZ on 01382 308833:

<https://abertayconnectservices.abertay.ac.uk/home.html>

Email queries may be sent to advisory@abertay.ac.uk however please allow time for a response and consider other means of contact in the first instance if your query is time sensitive.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

All applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application by email at the earliest opportunity.

The Advisory Service

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