

**Kent County Agricultural Society**  
**Scholarship Scheme for 2020**

The Kent County Agricultural Society set up the scholarship scheme to help fund three students through their degree courses each year.

**Who can apply?**

To be eligible to apply, students need to be:

- A resident of Kent at the time they apply for the scholarship. Any applications made by students who are already studying outside of the county will not be considered.
- Aged 18 to 25 when applying for the course.
- Students must be about to start the first year of their course.
- Studying for a full-time college or university **degree** based course. Applications will be considered in any field studied in the following areas.
  - Agriculture – arable and livestock
  - Horticulture
  - Forestry
  - Equine
  - Veterinary and Animal Management
- Courses must be studied in the UK. Applications for international colleges/ universities will not be considered.

**How much will be allocated?**

All students will be allocated £3000 to be split over the duration of the course.

**How many students would be eligible for funding?**

The Kent County Agricultural Society is looking to fund three new students each year.

**What can students use the scholarship for?**

Students can use the scholarship for any reasonable costs connected with going to college / university, including tuition fees, accommodation costs, living expenses, or equipment to help them study.

**Are scholarships paid directly to applicants?**

Yes – the grant money will be paid into your bank account in September (or the start date of your course) each year you are in full time education.

**How long does the scholarship last?**

Students can apply for a scholarship at the beginning of their course. The scholarship will be shared out over each year of your degree course. We do not offer study grants for previous years of study that have already been completed.

**Do students need to re-apply each year?**

In general, we expect to continue awarding students a scholarship for as long as their degree continues, provided that:

- They continue to study full-time, at the same university.
- The college / university confirm that their academic performance is satisfactory.

**What happens if the degree includes an industry placement?**

Students can choose to defer payment for the year they are on placement if they wish to do so.

**What would the Society expect in return?**

Successful applicants should expect to have direct involvement with the Society and would be expected to visit the Showground at least once a year during their course. Involvement could include:

- Presentations at Society Council Meetings.
- Social media - through Facebook / Twitter / Instagram posts, blogging etc.
- Helping to steward at the Kent County Show.
- Press releases to promote the Society.
- Profile on the Society website.

**How do potential students make an application?**

To apply, students need to fill in the online application form.

Students will be shortlisted and will be interviewed by members of the Kent County Agricultural Society Board and / or Charitable Activities Committee prior to a decision being made.

**What is the application deadline?**

The application deadline for 2020 applications will be Friday 17 April 2020.

Interviews for shortlisted applicants will be in May/June 2020. All applicants should be available for interview in the month of June. We will aim to meet your time requests, however if this is not possible we will be unable to consider your application any further.

All applicants will be responded to by the end of June 2020.