



Applying for the WCCS/Pathways to Property Bursary

Thank you for applying to the **WCCS/Pathways to Property bursary scheme** designed to help students into a career in property. If you are successful, you will receive £10,000 per annum for 3 years of academic study.

The bursary is facilitated by the **Worshipful Company of Chartered Surveyors, (WCCS)**. They are an established livery company who have education, diversity and equality at its heart. You can find out more about them at <https://surveyorslivery.org.uk/>

As part of the award, you will be **partnered with an industry sponsor**. They will provide you with mentoring, guidance and work experience during your three years of study. **You will be expected to maintain regular contact with your sponsor. This includes email updates, visits to offices and sites, and some work experience in your university vacations. You will also be expected to provide an annual report to Pathways and WCCS**, reviewing your progress.

Karen Martin is WCCS Bursary Programme Manager and is on hand to support you throughout your studies. She can help you to build and maintain your relationship with your sponsor, manage budgets, study schedules and any other aspects where you request help or guidance.

Please answer all questions as fully and honestly as you can.

Best of luck with your application.



WCCS/Pathways to Property Bursary for Entry Sept 2026 Information and Guidance Notes - Rural

Bursary Details

The Worshipful Company of Chartered Surveyors (WCCS) offer financial support to undergraduate and postgraduate students **based on a demonstration of financial need**. The aim of the bursary is to encourage careers in property to those who have financial difficulty and to increase the diversity of the real estate industry.

WCCS/Pathways to Property participants will receive:

- £30,000 (£10,000 per year for three years of study) towards the cost of living. This will be awarded each year in three payments to coincide with the start of each term.

All applications are reviewed individually by the WCCS Bursary Team. The team consists of the Chairperson of the WCCS Education Committee, the Head of Sponsor Liaison, and the Bursary Programme Manager and other industry experts. Please note that all applications submitted remain strictly confidential and are only shared with the bursary team, Pathways to Property staff and ultimately with specific bursary donors.

Who Can Apply

If you are holding an offer for an RICS accredited surveying degree then you are eligible to apply for a WCCS Bursary.

We award based on financial and family needs. We will ascertain this by answers provided in the following application form. We would encourage everyone to apply because economic need is not the only determining factor.

How To Apply

Complete the WCCS/Pathways to Property application form, submitting the Word document to karenmartin@surveyorslivery.org.uk by **March 27th 2026**. **Applications received after this, will not be considered.**

Answer all questions as fully as you can. If any parts of the form are not applicable, please indicate with a n/a

What Happens Next?

On receipt of your application, you will be contacted at the **email address given in the application**, to confirm that your application has been received. This email will come from karenmartin@surveyorslivery.org.uk

You will be informed of our decision in May. You will be told you have been successful subject to results, you have been placed on a reserve list or you have been unsuccessful in your application.

If You Are Successful

Funds are awarded in three instalments at the beginning of each academic term. **You will need to provide proof of offer following your A-Level results. You will have one week to provide this.**

If you decide to switch course following receipt of your results, there is no automatic transference of the bursary to an alternative degree.

Once we have received proof of university offer, we will send a confirmation letter to you and, in early **September**, we will inform you who your industry sponsor will be.

Proof of enrolment on your university course is required **prior** to any payment of your bursary. This proof is required **annually**.

If You Are On The Reserve List

For many good reasons, sometimes a prospective student decides not to take up the course and thus the bursary they have been awarded. **From August 25th, WCCS will offer bursaries to reserve applicants if an opportunity arises.** Reserve students will be informed of their success **no later than August 31st**. You will then need to **provide proof of university offer and place by September 7th**. You will be informed of your industry sponsor by **the end of September**.

If You Are Unsuccessful

We are very sorry – you are welcome to re-apply next year or consider applying for general funding from your chosen institution of study. Apologies, but with the volume of applicants, we cannot give personal feedback as to why your application was unsuccessful.

Speaking to Someone About Your Application

If you have any questions about the application form, your eligibility or your submitted application, please email karenmartin@surveyorslivery.org.uk



WCCS/Pathways to Property Bursary Application Form for university entry Autumn 2026

Please ensure you read the information and guidance notes before completing and submitting your application for a bursary. **We will not defer** successful applications so **if you want to have a gap year, please apply next year for a September 2027 entry.**

Please note, bursaries are awarded based on financial need. This form is confidential and will only be shared by WCCS/Pathways to Property bursary teams.

If you have any questions, then please contact the WCCS Bursary Programme Manager at karenmartin@surveyorslivery.org.uk

Section One: Personal Details

Full name, including title: _____

Are you a UK citizen? YES/NO

Optional Info:

Date of Birth (DD.MM.YY): _____

Nationality: _____

Ethnicity: _____

All the remaining fields are mandatory – please fill everything in as best you can.

Main Address: _____

Contact Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Section Two: Education and Background

Name and address of secondary school attended:

If you attended any other schools/colleges between Year 7 and now, please list them

Have you ever attended a fee-paying school? YES/NO

If you answered 'yes' to fee paying please give further details below: i.e. whether this is by full/part scholarship and by whom, if it is parental funded or funded by another source

A-Level and/or BTEC subjects – please state grades awarded or predicted grades, if known

GCSE Subjects and grades awarded;

Maths _____

English Language _____

English Literature _____

Have you previously completed an Undergraduate degree? YES/NO

If YES, please state at which university, subject studied and your award.

Have you attended a Pathways to Property Event?

Summer School YES/NO

Insight Day YES/NO

Have you attended any other introductions to property events? If so, please state here:

Did you receive any financial support during your secondary school or sixth form study, (including Free School Meals)? YES/NO

If YES, please provide details stating what support you received and, if known, the amount:

Do you have any family or other connection to the property industry? YES/NO

If YES, please detail who they are and what they do:

Will you be the first in your family to attend university? YES/NO

If NO, please state who went to university and their relationship with you (e.g. parent, sibling)

Are you, or have you ever been looked after by the local authority? YES/NO

Are you, or have you ever been looked after by someone other than your parents? YES/NO

Section 3: University Applications and Finances

Please list all universities applied to and the course names in order of preference:

If you have done so, please state your first and insurance choices.

Are you expecting to receive any funding/awards towards your university costs other than that provided through student maintenance loans or family support? YES/NO

If YES, please specify what this funding/award is and the amount you expect to receive each year:

Please estimate your family household income in the past year (combined salaries of all earners in the household)

- Below £30,000
- £30,000 - 50,000
- £50,000 +

Please list the number of other dependents in your household who are still being supported by a parent or carer - please state whether this is through primary/secondary education, University or if they require continual support (e.g. due to disability?)

If you are unsuccessful in your bursary application, how do you plan to fund your studies?

If one of your choices is Reading University, are you also applying for an RREF bursary?

YES/NO

(For information, **we advise applying for both bursaries**– NOTE you will only be awarded ONE of these bursaries. No student can hold both a WCCS and RREF P2P bursary at the same time)

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Section 5 – Confidentiality and Data Protection

The information provided in this form will be held in confidence, shared only with the bursary selection panel, and, if you are successful, with your industry sponsor. It will be securely destroyed when no longer needed. If you have any queries or concerns regarding your personal information, then please contact karenmartin@surveyorslivery.org.uk

Declaration – please read each statement carefully

I declare that the information that I have given on this form is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge.

If successful, I understand that this form will be passed to my industry sponsor.

I understand that giving false information will automatically disqualify my application and may also lead to disciplinary procedures resulting in possible expulsion from university.
I further undertake to repay any bursary obtained by me as a result.

I understand that the bursary is awarded for a maximum of 3 years and that I must complete my course in the time specified – 3 years for a Bachelors degree.

If I undertake a placement year, meaning my total time to complete the degree is 4 years, then I understand no bursary payments are made during the industry year.

If I have applied for a 4-year Masters course, I understand that there is only a guarantee that 3 years will be funded by the bursary.

If for whatever reason I am unable to complete my studies, I understand that it may be requested that I repay any outstanding bursary funds.

I understand that continuous funding of £10 000 for 3 years is dependent on my regular communication with the Bursary Programme Manager and regular contact with my industry sponsor and mentor. If I fail to comply with such communication, WCCS reserves the right to withdraw future funding.

Signed:

Full Name (Printed and in capitals):

Date:
