



The Felix Thornley Cobbold Trust Entry Scholarship Application Information 2026/27

Who can apply?

The Felix Thornley Cobbold Trust Entry Scholarship is open to students with an offer to commence full-time study at Harper Adams University in 2026-27 with the following criteria:

- A student from **Suffolk** (or the adjoining counties of **Norfolk**, **Cambridgeshire** and **Essex**) or has lived there for a minimum of 3 years excluding time in further or higher education;
- Studying:
 - BSc/BSc (Hons) Agriculture and all Agriculture routes
 - BSc/BSc (Hons) Agribusiness Management
 - BEng/BEng (Hons) Agricultural Engineering
 - BSc/BSc (Hons) Rural Enterprise and Land Management

Note: Applicants from disadvantaged backgrounds may be given priority.

Background

The overall objective of the Felix Thornley Cobbold Agricultural Trust is to advance and improve agriculture, in particular, to educate farmers and young persons in agricultural methods, developments and techniques.

Opportunities

If awarded, the successful recipient will receive an award of up to **£3,000 per academic year** towards tuition fees (in Years 1, 2 and 4). This payment will be made directly to the University and will be deducted from individual course fees.

Based upon the application there may be the potential for an additional **£1,000 per annum** to be awarded for personal expenditure for essential items (eg. Laptop, sports equipment, winter clothing) if the applicant is from a disadvantaged background. This payment will be made directly to the recipient.

Payment is conditional on the scholar remaining registered as a full-time student at Harper Adams University. They must pass all modules of study during the continuation of the scholarship and submit a letter of thanks for the sponsor to the Development Trust prior to the receipt of each payment.

This is a competitive award which will be evaluated on the merit of the submitted application, academic achievements to date and possibly an interview. The Development Trust embraces diversity and promotes equality of opportunity and access to higher education. The Trust has been successful in supporting a wide range of students. It strongly encourages applications from students of all backgrounds. Where there are



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two applicants of equal merit, preference will be given to applicants who are from backgrounds that are underrepresented in UK higher education.

The decision of the Scholarship Panel is **FINAL** and they reserve the right to withdraw their award at any time should they feel this action is required.

Application Process

Your application must include the following four documents, which should be saved in PDF format, named

1. Consent Form, 2. Statement of application 3. CV and 4. Finance and emailed to DevelopmentTrust@harper-adams.ac.uk by 12 noon on **Tuesday 15 September 2026**.

Email subject: **Felix Thornley Cobbold Trust Entry Scholarship**

- 1. Consent Form** – this must be completed and signed to show that you have read and understood the Privacy & Data Protection Notice below.
- 2. Statement of application** - Applicants are required to complete a statement of up to 500 words, detailing the difference and impact that a scholarship would have on their time at Harper Adams.
- 3. CV** – no more than 2 pages
- 4. Financial Information Form**

The Trust shall discuss with Harper Adams University and agree the candidate selected and decide whether a personal grant is justified.

Application Deadline: 12 Noon Tuesday 15 September 2026



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Privacy and Data Protection Notice

How your personal information will be used:

As part of your application, Harper Adams University will process your personal data as it is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest (the provision of educational scholarship programmes) or in the exercise of official authority vested in Harper Adams University as data controller.

Personal information that you supply to Harper Adams University may be used for the following purposes:

- To administer your studies and record academic achievements
- To assess and process your scholarship application
- To publicise your scholarship
- To administer communication between you and your sponsor(s)
- To assist in pastoral, welfare, or additional needs services
- To administer the financial aspects of your scholarship
- To monitor equalities procedures and compliance
- To manage quality and effectiveness of provision including external audits
- For careers advice and alumni relations including fundraising

We may share your information with other departments in the University to carry out the purposes listed above. We will also share your personal data with the scholarship provider/sponsor; in this case for the purposes listed above.

Your personal information may be shared with third parties with your consent, where disclosure without your consent is required or permitted by law or where the University instructs or works with a third party for the purposes listed above. Your information will not be shared externally for marketing purposes.

The University may use automated profiling of personal information for the purposes of improving services, enriching your experience with the University or signposting events and activities that may be of interest.

Your personal information will be retained by the University for the period specified in the **Records Retention Guidelines**. You have the right to access your personal information (in a format that is usable to you for other purposes), correct inaccurate or incomplete information or request that your personal data be deleted or processing restricted.

For further information about how your data is used by the University, please view the **Data Protection Policy** and Layered Notice. The complaints procedure for Data Protection and Freedom of Information can also be found on the **University website** or contact the Data Protection Officer on dpo@harper-adams.ac.uk. The complaints procedure also sets out your right to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner.