



## **BURSARY SCHEME (2017 – 2018)**

Devon Gardens Trust offers a limited number of bursaries of up to a maximum of £800 each to help students normally resident in the County who wish to register on a course at a recognised educational establishment which contains a significant component compatible with the Aims and Objectives of the Trust. Details of these can be obtained on request, but essentially involve studies or research connected with parks, gardens or designed landscapes. The course must be accredited by a body such as the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS), City and Guilds, BTEC (EdExcel), International Accreditation and Recognition Council (IARC) and the Open Distance Learning Quality Council (ODLQC).

The bursaries are intended to assist prospective students who would not be able to afford to accept a place on the chosen course.

Applications are welcomed from either full-time or part-time students, and studies may be undertaken anywhere within the United Kingdom. Applications for support for overseas studies will only be considered in exceptional circumstances.

Bursaries given by the Trust are primarily intended to provide help with course fees, but other uses may be permitted with the agreement of the Trust. Typical uses that may be approved include the purchase of equipment needed to follow the course and travelling expenses to allow attendance at special events (but not to travel to/from the course). Accommodation and other living expenses will not be supported. Reports on the use of the bursary will be required by the Trust.

Applications may be submitted using the appropriate form. The closing date for 2017-18 applications is **midnight on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2017** and interviews will be held in Exeter in late August 2017 (dates to be confirmed). Applicants will be expected to be able to justify their need to apply for a bursary.

**The bursary may be paid in full, in part, or in instalments as determined by the Trust direct to the educational establishment named in the application.**

The decision of the Trust is final. Applications received after the closing date will not be considered. Priority will be given to applicants who have not previously received a bursary from the Devon Gardens Trust.

Informal enquiries may be made by email to [education@devongardenstrust.org.uk](mailto:education@devongardenstrust.org.uk).