

Vogue College of Fashion

Student Finance Fund Policy

1. Purpose

The Student Finance Fund is a modest resource intended to provide financial assistance to students experiencing unexpected financial difficulties that impact their ability to continue their studies at Vogue College of Fashion. The fund is intended to support students facing genuine hardship due to unforeseen circumstances to successfully complete their BA or MA.

Any payment awarded is non-repayable and available to students who can demonstrate they are in financial need. Applications will be considered on a case-by-case basis, and the fund will be shared among those who need it most.

2. Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for financial assistance, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be currently enrolled in a full-time BA or MA at Vogue College of Fashion, London.
- Have experienced an unexpected financial crisis (e.g., loss of income, medical emergency, family crisis, unforeseen essential expenditure or other significant hardship) that puts you at risk of withdrawing from your programme.
- Demonstrate that all other available financial resources have been explored (e.g., government funding, student loans, part-time work, family support).
- Have taken all support available to them via Student Finance England (SFE) (or equivalent), or the Student Loans Company (SLC) where applicable.
- Have taken all other support they may be entitled to, including welfare benefits and tax credits.
- Show that across the academic year they have/will have, sufficient financial resources for their tuition, living expenses and any other course related costs.
- Not be in arrears of tuition.
- Provide supporting evidence of financial hardship (e.g., bank statements, medical reports, eviction notices, or other relevant documentation).
- Students may apply for a maximum of £500.
- Students may make one application a year. In extreme circumstances a second application may be considered if you did not receive the maximum amount for the first application. No more than the maximum of £500 can be awarded within a 12-month period.

3. Application Process

Eligible students must submit an application that includes:

- A completed Student Finance Fund application form.
- Please check you meet the criteria and eligibility above.
- Complete the application form and provide a supporting statement outlining:
 - What the current unexpected, short-term financial or digital hardship difficulties are
 - What caused the unexpected situation and when;

- What steps have been taken to improve the current situation;
- What support is being requested (if financial, include the total amount being requested);
- How the requested support will be used.
- Check you have provided all the necessary information;
- Submit the application.

Applications should be submitted to the Registrar via the form [here](#).

4. Assessment & Decision Making

Applications will be reviewed by the Financial Assistance Committee, which will assess eligibility based on the following factors:

- Urgency and severity of the financial need.
- Previous financial assistance received.
- Efforts made to seek alternative financial support.

Applications from students studying on a sponsored student visa will be considered on a case-by-case basis and in liaison with the Visa Compliance Office to ensure adherence to UKVI regulations.

Decisions will be communicated to applicants within a specified timeframe, typically within 10 working days. The committee's decision is final, but students may seek guidance from Student Support if their application is unsuccessful.

5. Financial Assistance Provided

The Student Finance Fund may provide:

- One-time emergency payments of up to £500 to cover essential expenses (e.g., rent, food, medical costs, utilities, or academic-related expenses).

6. Confidentiality & Data Protection

All applications will be handled confidentially and in compliance with data protection laws. Information provided will only be used for the assessment of financial need.

7. Contact Information

For further guidance, students can contact the Registrar via email dhyland@voguecollege.com