**Cardiff University Opportunity Award Application Form 2021/22**

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| **Section 1 – Personal Details** | |
| PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY | |
| Title (e.g. Mr, Mrs, Ms, Miss, Dr, Mx etc) |  |
| First Name |  |
| Last Name/Surname |  |
| Date of Birth |  |
| UCAS Number |  |
| Student Number (if you do not know this number then write unknown) |  |
| Contact email |  |
| Contact phone number |  |
| Correspondence address |  |
| Home address (if different to above) |  |
| Do you consider yourself to have a disability? | No Prefer not to say Yes (please give details below) |
| Nationality |  |
| Current School or College (if applicable) |  |

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| **Section 2 – Educational Details** | |
| PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY | |
| What course are you going to study at Cardiff University? |  |
| Have you received a conditional or unconditional offer? If you have a conditional offer, please specify the conditions here |  |
| If you have previously studied at a higher education level elsewhere in the UK or overseas, please circle how many years of study you have previously undertaken | 1 2 3 4 5  Have not previously studied  Other – please explain |
| **Section 3 – Eligibility for the Opportunity Award** | |
| We will use your answers in this section to help determine whether you meet the advertised eligibility criteria for the Opportunity Award in relation to your current immigration status in the UK. | |
| What was your date of arrival in the UK? | |
| Please select the category which best describes your immigration status in the UK  Tick only 1 available option   |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | I am awaiting a decision on my application for asylum claim OR I am in the appeals process | |  | My application for Refugee Status has been refused OR I am submitting a fresh claim or applying for Judicial Review | |  | I am the family member of one of the above and my application is dependent on theirs/my leave has been granted in line with theirs |   If you have selected the third option, please write what immigration category applies to your family member below: | |
| **Section 4 - Support** | |
| We would like to know if there are any additional support needs you have with regards to your personal circumstances. Any information you provide in this section will not negatively affect your application in any way. We only request this information so we can help you if you are successful. | |
| Please circle your living arrangements (more than one can apply):  Living with parents Living with other family Section 95 NASS accommodation  Living alone Living in halls of residence Section 4 NASS accommodation  Living with friends Living with partner/spouse | |
| Will your term time living arrangements be the same as described above? | |
| Yes No  If you selected no, please write your expected living arrangements during term time below: | |
| Will you require student accommodation in order to accept the Opportunity Award? | |
| Tick only 1 available option   |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | Yes, I intend to apply/have already applied for University allocated accommodation | |  | No, I will not be making an application for University allocated accommodation | | |
| Will you require any English language support at the University? If so, please provide brief details. | |
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| Do you require any additional support other than financial and language support during your time at university? (e.g. support for a disability or learning difficulty, counselling, mental health support etc) | |
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| **Section 5 – Personal Statement for the Opportunity Award** |
| Rationale for higher education |
| What are your ambitions for the future, and how would the Opportunity Award help you to achieve these ambitions? |
| Interruptions to prior education |
| How has your education been affected by your personal circumstances? Please outline the barriers you have faced in continuing your education and provide details of any steps you have taken to overcome these barriers. |
| Financial support needs |
| Please briefly outline your financial circumstances. If you have attended school/college since coming to the UK, how have you supported your studies? Do you have any plans other than this Opportunity Award for supporting yourself financially while at the University? |
| Extracurricular Activities |
| Please briefly outline any activities that you are involved in. This could be community work and/or projects/internships that are related to your studies. |

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| **Section 6 – Referee Details**  **Please note:**   * **You must provide two reference letters with your application. Failure to do so means that your application for the Opportunity Award will not be considered.** * **You must attach your reference letters along with your application. Your reference letters must be on headed paper and signed by your referee. Please see guidance notes for further details of what is required from a reference** | |
| **Referee 1 – Personal Reference** | |
| Referee full name |  |
| Referee relationship to the applicant |  |
| Name of organisation referee works for (if applicable) |  |
| Role in organisation (if applicable) |  |

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| **Referee 2 – Academic Reference** | |
| Referee full name |  |
| Referee relationship to the applicant |  |
| Name of organisation referee works for |  |
| Role in organisation |  |

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| **Section 7 – Home Office Permission** |
| For the University to be compliant with Home Office regulations it is necessary that we undertake Immigration Status Checks on students at regular points throughout the year.  To do this we need your permission to make these checks at the following points during your academic career with us:   * In the summer prior to commencing your studies * Every 3 months thereafter for the duration of the course   If you are happy for us to do this, please sign and date below.  “I give consent to Cardiff University to undertake immigration background and status checks on me with the Home Office at the above times during my studies.”  Signature:  Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  In addition, please provide:   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Full Name |  | | Passport Number |  | | Date of Birth |  | | Nationality |  | |

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| **Section 8 - Declaration** |
| All decisions by the University are taken in good faith based on the statements made in this application, your course/programme admissions application, and having considered your reference letters.  If the University discovers that you have made a false statement or have omitted significant information from your application form, we may terminate your application.  I agree to the terms and conditions as stated on the website and as provided with this application form.  Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Name (printed) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  I accept that I may be requested to participate in related publicity activity if successful.  Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Name (printed) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| **Supporting evidence checklist**  Please tick to ensure you have included all required documents:   |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | An academic reference letter | |  | A personal reference letter supporting your asylum claim details | |  | Your acknowledgement or progress letter/ NASS card from the Home Office/ Biometric Residence Permit | |  | A completed copy of our [fee assessment questionnaire](https://www.cardiff.ac.uk/public-information/students-applicants/admissions-policies/fee-status) | |
| Please email your application form and attach scanned copies of your supporting evidence to:  **Elin Osmond:** [**OsmondEA@cardiff.ac.uk**](mailto:OsmondEA@cardiff.ac.uk)  marking the subject field as: Opportunity Award Application |
| **The deadline to receive applications and all evidence is Friday 11th June 2021**  **Incomplete applications will not be considered** |