**Cardiff Further Education Trust Fund (CFETF) 2015: Financial assistance for HE students in Cardiff**

The CFETF will provide financial assistance to students in Cardiff who:

* Have attended Cardiff secondary schools for at least two years
* Are registered to Cardiff University, Cardiff Met, the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama or the Cardiff campus of the University of South Wales.

And who fall into the following categories:

* Estranged students – students without family support from after their 16th birthday until they left school
* Students currently seeking asylum or who have parents seeking asylum in the UK
* Students who are undertaking work placements as part of their study who are unable to meet the costs of attending such a placement

CFETF may award up to a maximum of £1,000 per student in a given academic year. The awards are given to the students whose prospects would improve most through additional funding – whether that be in their ability to remain in higher education or through work placements improving their chances of employment after completing their studies.

Applicants may apply any year they are a student in Cardiff – being awarded does not guarantee support for any subsequent year. Students needing support in future years would need to re-apply.

Applications – along with suitable supporting evidence – must be made to the Advice and Money team by **December 31st 2015**. Notification to successful applicants and awards will be made in **March 2016.**