

## MOLLY O'CALLAGHAN COMMUNITYSCHOLARSHIP 2025

Name:	
Address:	
Date of Birth:	
Email Address:	
Phone Number:	
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If you are a member of Palmerstown Credit Union, what is your member number?	

Scholarship provides €1,000 every year for four years.

Whether studying, Fashion or Film, Acting or Accountancy, History or Horticulture you can apply for this award

### All you need to do is:

- 1 Complete the front section of this form with your details
- 2 Answer the 10 questions in no more than 100 words
- 3 If your application is successful, you will be contacted for an interview

The deadline for submission of applications is **5.00pm on the 22<sup>nd</sup> August, 2025** Applications should be submitted via email to [membernotice@palmerstowncu.ie](mailto:membernotice@palmerstowncu.ie) Please add the subject line '**Scholarship 2025**'





## Seán Canning, 2015 Recipient

My involvement with Palmerstown Credit Union began in 2015 when I became the second recipient of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Level Scholarship. What I had expected to be just straight-forward cash in my pocket exploded rapidly into something much more. Benefitting from financial support, work experience, committee experience and a network of fellow scholars – there is good reason that I am still involved in the Credit Union, even after graduating from Trinity!

## Eleanor Thornton, 2018 Recipient

The last three years have been everything and more, I have worked part-time in Palmerstown Credit Union for two years now where I've gained invaluable experience and knowledge and I've met the most amazing people all while receiving financial support throughout my undergraduate degree. I truly believe 'everything happens for a reason' and would you believe I am heading out into the working world in September and I will be working for a company who audits Credit Unions and I will be completing my Chartered of Accountant Exams with them.



## Lauren Sliney, 2019 Recipient

Being a credit union scholarship recipient allowed my college start to be a stress free experience, giving room for me to enjoy the 'college student life' without having to worry financially. With the aid of Palmerston Credit Union I've been able to study my dream career in Zoology.

## Abby Byrne, 2020 Recipient

The Molly O'Callaghan Scholarship has allowed me to follow my dreams in Trinity College studying Biomedical Science with no stress of finances, a wonderful support group, and great connections for the future. I have learned so much since being welcomed into the youth committee and I will cherish these skills throughout my career!



## Aisling Corcoran, 2021 Recipient

Receiving the Molly O'Callaghan Scholarship has provided me with invaluable opportunities and financial support to aid me in my undergraduate degree. This scholarship from the Palmerstown Credit Union has helped me to achieve my dream which is studying Law in Trinity College.

## Brónagh Cleary, 2021 Recipient

Receiving the Molly O'Callaghan Scholarship has been nothing short of an amazing experience. It has allowed me to start college, an experience which can be quite daunting, with confidence and reassurance. I have been able to throw myself into every opportunity that has come my way so far, knowing I have the support of the credit union behind me. It also has allowed me to be part of something bigger than myself, contributing to active change in our local community.



## Jessie Kelly, 2022 Recipient

Receiving the Molly O'Callaghan Scholarship has pushed and supported me in following my passions by studying Game Design in TUDublin. The scholarship has allowed me to enjoy college and have all the equipment I need without worrying financially while also offering amazing opportunities to connect with and be a part of the local community.



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**Q1.) What is your favourite school subject? Why?**

**Q2.) Are you involved in any activities, clubs, or sports at school or in your local community? What attracts you to be part of it?**

**Q3.) Which of your achievements are you most proud of?**

**Q4.) Who has been a role model for you in life? Why?**



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**Q5.) What does a great school environment look like to you? What changes or improvements would you bring to second level education in Ireland?**

**Q6.) What would you like to study after the Leaving Certificate?**

**Q7.) Why are you interested in this course?**

**Q8.) What are the points for this course? Are there any subject requirements?**



**Q9.) Where do you see yourself in five years?**

**Q10.) How would this scholarship benefit you in your studies?**

## Rules of the award

- Recipients of the scholarship are also expected to provide evidence of their progression into the next academic year of their course. Failure to progress will result in the suspension of the scholarship until the recipient has successfully passed into the next year of their course.
- A recipient who defers her/his scholarship for one academic year will need to obtain the prior approval of Palmerstown Credit Union.
- A recipient who, during her/his studies wishes to change course or faculty will be entitled to receive the grant for the duration of the original course only.

**All applicants should be aware that by accepting the 3<sup>rd</sup> Level Scholarship, the recipient is agreeing to:**

- Become a member of the Palmerstown Credit Union Youth Committee for the duration of their course.
- Attend at least six meetings per year beginning in October when the recipient has received the Bursary.
- Attend at least 3 voluntary events held by Palmerstown Credit Union per year, e.g. The School's Quiz, Art Competition, PobaFactor or other such event.
- Contribute to the best of their ability on Youth Committee matters.
- Participate in delivery of the Money Smart modules.
- Recipients should be advised that failure to comply with the above conditions may result in the suspension or loss of their scholarship.

## MOCK RESULTS

**Applicants may submit their mock results to be included in their application for the scholarship. Please make note that this is not a mandatory requirement and if applicants submit their results, they must sign the consent below:**

Name -  
Date -

Signature