**We encourage all applicants to read the questions carefully and provide as much detail as possible.**

**The planned application questions for a £250 YFS application are below. Please note that these may be subject to change, so applicants should ensure they read the application form clearly when it goes live.**

£250 Application Questions

The following questions relate to your aspirations as a York Futures Scholar. We are looking for a clear description of why you are applying for the York Futures Scholarship, including the difference it will make to you and how your plans for using the money will support your professional development and/or long-term career ambitions.

Applications should relate to activities which show ambition above and beyond the scope of your core academic study.

Please note that students can only apply for one level of funding per application cycle, and no alternative offers will be made. If you are not sure which level of funding to apply for, please contact [york-futures-scholarship@york.ac.uk](mailto:york-futures-scholarship@york.ac.uk) **before** submitting your application.

1. **Why have you applied for a York Futures Scholarship and how will the financial support make a difference to your ability to access this opportunity (or opportunities)? (Max 150 words)**

* You should explain the impact that the financial support will have on you and your ability to access the opportunity/opportunities you are applying for funding to support.
* You may want to consider if you have faced barriers in accessing opportunities for professional development.

1. **Please provide details of the activity (or activities) which the York Futures Scholarship would enable you to undertake. (Max 200 words)**

* You should include a clear description of what activity/activities you will spend the funding on. What will you do as a result of this funding?
* We do not require exact costs, but we want to see that you have considered how you will spend the full £250 and that this is realistic.
* Make it clear whether the money will support practical costs associated with an activity such as transport, or whether it will go towards the direct cost of the activity itself.

1. **How will taking part in this activity (or activities) support your personal and/or professional development? (Max 150 words)**

* You should explain the desired outcome of completing the activity/activities which you plan to use York Futures Scholarship to support.
* You should reflect on the skills, experience or knowledge that this activity or activities will give you - what are the expected outcomes?
* You should consider how completing this activity or activities might benefit your employability skills.

1. **If you are not awarded the York Futures Scholarship for £250, how would this impact the activity (or activities) you are applying for funding to support? (Max 150 words)**

* You should reflect on whether you would still be able to complete the activity/activities now or in the future.
* You should consider what your back up plan would be if unsuccessful.