

Stand Alone
34B York Way
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Dear StandAlone

Re: StandAlone Pledge for Estranged Students at King's College London

We are writing this letter as a commitment from King's College London to the StandAlone pledge and our support for students who are estranged and studying without the support of their family. King's College London understands the varying needs and difficulties these students face and has an established and holistic support package to enable them to succeed throughout the student life cycle. This is detailed on our specialist webpages: <http://www.kcl.ac.uk/estranged>
Our support package includes:

- A specialist Widening Participation Officer who provides bespoke guidance for estranged students considering applying to university
- A Specialist Student Advisor who provides expert advice and guidance and is the first point of contact for students studying at the university
- Contextual special admissions consideration for all undergraduate courses and across all widening participation programmes
- Care Leaver and Estranged Student Bursary for £1,000 per year of study
- Subsidised year-round accommodation where estranged students are prioritised
- UNITE Scholarship accommodation opportunity for care leavers and estranged students
- Support with a guarantor scheme and potential funding opportunities for living outside King's Residences

We recognise that identifying estranged students is complex and intend to raise awareness across the university. This includes:

- Awareness raising and training opportunities for personal tutors and academic staff
- Clearer disclosure and referral processes for staff and students looking for support

King's College London is fully committed to supporting this group of students and this initiative and we are looking forward to working closely with StandAlone.

Yours Sincerely,



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