

Dear Stand Alone

Thank you for contacting the University of Suffolk about the challenges facing Estranged Students in accessing higher education (HE). The University of Suffolk would be delighted to take the pledge to enable these students to access and succeed in HE at Suffolk.

The University of Suffolk is a community impact university, established to raise aspiration in Suffolk and the region and to widen participation of under-represented groups in HE. We have an excellent track record in admitting students from a wide range of backgrounds, and providing high quality education and support in order for our students to reach their academic potential. We recognise that Estranged Students face challenges not experienced by other students, and are committed to increasing the support available to them.

Estranged Students at the University of Suffolk would normally be eligible for the University of Suffolk Bursary, payable across all three years of study; and are included as a target group within our access and participation plans. We are increasing the support we provide for students experiencing mental ill health, and are pleased to be able to direct our students towards full year accommodation options. However, we recognise that there is more to do and will look forward to the research and training that will be available from Stand Alone in the coming year.

Yours faithfully



Professor Helen Langton  
**Vice-Chancellor and CEO**