# Parent Consent Form - students under the age of 18

# Complete and return to summer.university@tees.ac.uk

This form should be completed by the parent (for the purposes of this form, the term 'parent' refers to parent or legal guardian) of an Applicant to Teesside University ("the University") who will be under the age of 18 at the time they commence their studies.

Please note that this form only needs to be completed when the Applicant has confirmed that they will be studying at the University, and has met the necessary conditions of the offer.

The specific expectations that the University has of UK-based parents, UK Guardians and Guardianship Agencies will cease on the student's 18th birthday, as will the specific support for students under the age of 18. Please refer to the University's 'Admissions of Students under 18 years of age Policy'

If you have any queries about this form, or would like to convey additional information to the University, please email: summer.university@tees.ac.uk

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Please read all information carefully before completing.

\*Required

Applicant Details
Applicant's first/given name *
Applicant's surname/family name *
Applicant's personal email address
Name of course(s) applied for *
Applicant's date of birth *
Parent Details Your first/given name *
Your surname/family name *

our relationship to the Applicant *
our full postal address *
our postcode (if applicable)
our telephone number *
our email address *

## CONSENT - Please read carefully

If the above named Applicant takes up a place to study at Teesside University, as their parent I confirm that I understand and agree to the following statements:

### 1. Parental Responsibility

The University does not assume any parental responsibility in relation to students, including those under the age of 18. The University is an adult environment and courses are designed for students who are aged 18 or over. By returning this form, you confirm that you understand and accept this is the environment in which your child will be studying.

#### 2. Contracts

As a general rule under UK law, a minor is unable to enter into a contract. However, current legal advice states that this does not apply to the provision of education, and therefore, a student over the age of 16 and under the age of 18 will be able to register personally with the University in the same way as an adult student. Should any future occasion arise which the student needs to enter into any contract with the University which may not be legally binding due to age, the University may request that a parent act as a guarantor for that particular contract.

#### 3. Disclosure of Information

The GDPR and Data Protection Act 2018 prohibits the University from disclosing information about a student's progress, whether academic or personal, to parents or other third parties without the student's express consent. This applies to students of all ages including those under the age of 18.

4. Further requirement for parents who reside outside of the UK: Appointment of a UK Guardian Students under the age of 18 must demonstrate that they have guardianship in the UK. If a parent resides outside of the UK they must appoint a UK Guardian who can be contacted in case of an emergency. The UK Guardian must be able to speak English, live in the UK, have a UK postal

address and a UK telephone number. The UK Guardian cannot be a registered student or a member of staff at the University (unless directly related). The UK Guardian can either be an individual known to the family or the service can be hired from a Guardianship Agency.

5. Expectations of UK-based parent or UK Guardian:

To be the named contact in case of an emergency

To provide ongoing support to the student

To contact the University if you have concerns about the student

6. The role of UK Guardian, and the specific expectations The University has of UK-based parents of students under the age of 18, will cease on the student's 18th birthday.

By ticking this box I confirm that I am the parent of the Applicant named above and that all the information I have provided is correct and true. If any of the information I have provided is found to be false I accept that the registration of the Applicant could be terminated. \*