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Student Finance Update for Academic Year 2024/25

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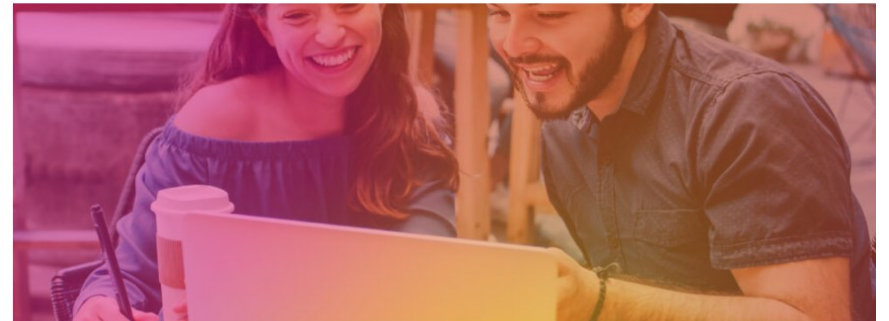
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Applications for 2024
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What Support Could You Get?

A Look To The (Near) Future

Lifelong Learning Entitlement



A New, Flexible Student Finance System

From academic year 2025/26, a new student finance system will be introduced that will increase the flexibility for learners to **study in a way that works for them:**

- This new, unified system is called the **Lifelong Learning Entitlement (LLE)**
- Under LLE, students will be able to apply for a loan worth the equivalent of **four years** of post-18 education (**£37,000 in today's tuition fees**)
- The loan can be used for a range of courses, from Degrees and Higher Technical Qualifications to modules that can 'be stacked' towards full qualifications
- **Maintenance support** will also be available to students undertaking all eligible LLE courses at Levels 4 to 6, including part-time and modular study routes
- Students will be able to manage their LLE funding, keep track of their study and stay on top of their remaining support balance through a **Personal Account**

Lifelong Learning Entitlement



INTRODUCTORY KEY MESSAGES AND INFORMATION

A lot of details are yet to be announced, but to communicate the early essential key messages about LLE, an article is available on the DfE Education Hub website:

- <https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2023/09/19/transforming-student-finance-lifelong-loan-entitlement>



What is the Lifelong Learning Entitlement?

People will be able to apply for a loan under the LLE, worth the equivalent of four years of post-18 education – that's £37,000 in today's tuition fees.

The loan can be used flexibly over people's working lives to pay for full or part-time study for a variety of courses, such as higher technical and degree levels. It can be used to pay for both short modules and full years of study, regardless of whether they're provided in colleges, universities or independent training providers.

The plans will come into effect from 2025.

How will the LLE work?

Students will be able to manage their loans in a personal account where they will be able to keep track of their studies and stay on top of how much funding they have left.

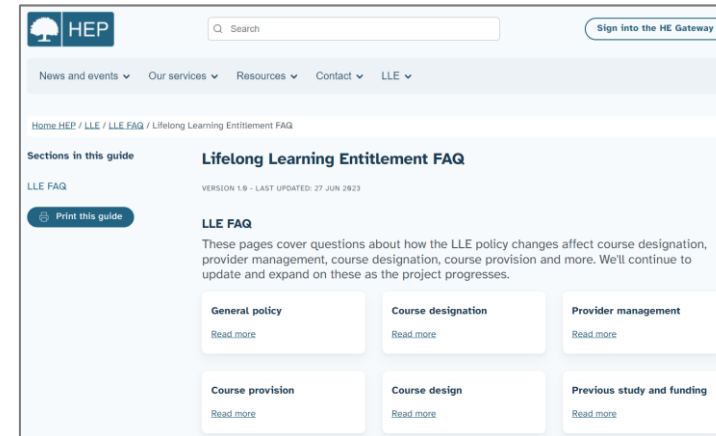
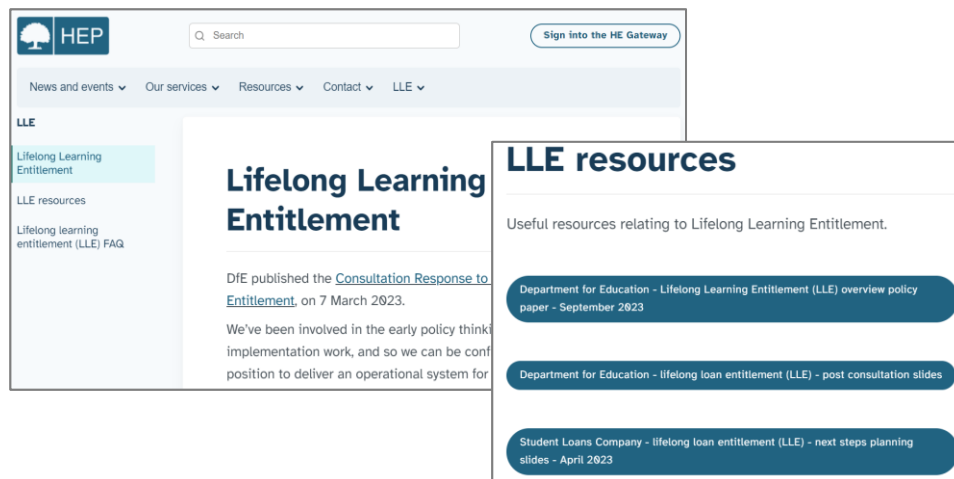
For the first time, all in-person learners – whether they are studying full-time, part-time or on modules – will be able to access maintenance funding on the same basis.

This will set flexible study and technical courses on a par with traditional full-time academic study, and open new training opportunities for people from all backgrounds.

LLE - SLC Information And Resources

Dedicated information sections have been added to the HEP Services and LP Services websites and will host the latest LLE updates and resources:

- www.heinfo.slc.co.uk/lle/lifelong-learning-entitlement
- www.lpservices.slc.co.uk/lle/lifelong-learning-entitlement
- Page content includes an LLE introduction, LLE resources and exclusive to the HEP Services website, an LLE frequently asked questions (FAQ) section





General Eligibility Update

General Eligibility - Residency

Students need to meet certain residency criteria in order to be eligible for financial support from SLC:

- **Settled status** – can live in the UK without any Home Office restriction
- **Ordinarily resident** in UK on the first day of the first academic year of their course
- Been **living in the UK for the three years immediately prior** to this date (UK 'Home' and RoW students)
- EU, EEA and Swiss nationals with EUSS Settled or Pre-Settled status may be entitled to support depending on the status awarded and their residency
- Students may also be eligible for support if they hold a status such as Refugee, Humanitarian Protection, Stateless, or Ukraine Scheme Leave
- Go to www.gov.uk/student-finance/who-qualifies for more information

General Eligibility

Individuals in protection-based categories who start or continue HE courses:

- Refugee
- Humanitarian Protection
- Calais Leave, Section 67
- Stateless Leave
- Indefinite Leave to Remain as a Bereaved Partner
- Indefinite Leave to Remain as a victim of domestic violence,
- Afghan Relocation and Assistance Policy (ARAP) and Afghan Citizen's Resettlement Scheme (ACRS), Operation Pitting
- Applicants holding a status under the Home Office Ukraine schemes.

Individuals in these categories are not required to demonstrate three years' ordinary UK residence before the start of a course to qualify for student support and home fee status

Go to www.gov.uk/student-finance/who-qualifies for more information

High level SFE support summary based on first day of first AY residency:

Residency Category	UK Residence	Ordinary Resident On
Indefinite Leave to Enter/Remain	3 Years UK	First Day of First AY
Refugee Humanitarian Protection ILR Domestic Violence ILR Bereaved Partner	N/A (Providing UK residency maintained since status awarded)	Course Start Date (As supplied by HEP)
Stateless Persons Section 67 or Calais Leave ARAP/ACRS/Pitting Leave Ukraine Scheme Leave	N/A (Providing UK residency maintained since status awarded)	Course Start Date (As supplied by HEP)
Long Residency	Under 18: 7 Years UK Over 18: Half-life/20 Years UK (To include 3 Years Ordinary Lawful UK Residency)	First Day of First AY

SETTLED AS AN EVENT

From AY 24/25, students who are granted settled status for any reason during the course, not just under the EUSS, can become eligible for funding as an event (subject to satisfying other eligibility requirements)

Students who acquire a settled status after the first day of the first academic year of their course (or course start date where applicable) will qualify for support:

- as applicable to the category they are eligible under, and
- provided they apply within the relevant regulatory deadlines for applying for support when eligible as an event

Examples of settled status:

- British citizen
- Irish citizen
- Exempt from immigration control under the Immigration Act 1971
- Indefinite leave to enter (ILE)
- Indefinite leave to remain (ILR)

What is available?

Maximum tuition fees for 2024/25 in England will be maintained at the levels that applied in 2023/24 academic year. The seventh year in succession that fees have been frozen.

Maximum tuition fee for standard **full-time courses** offered will remain at **£9,250**
Maximum tuition fee for standard **part-time courses** offered will remain at **£6,935**

Key Points to Note :

- Tuition Fee Loans are non means tested (we don't need parent's income for this bit!)
- Loans are paid directly to the university on behalf of the student
- Most of the 1.6m students every year apply for the maximum loan available
- It is the easy part of the application – just tell us which university you are going to and how much you want to borrow (usually students tick 'max')

Maintenance Loans – Which Tier?



Maximum (Maintenance) loan for living costs for new **full-time** students and eligible continuing **full time** 2016 cohort students will be increased **by forecast inflation (2.5%)** in AY 2024/25 to:

Loan Rate	2016 Cohort Full-Time Students	Entitled to Benefits	Aged Over 60 First Day of First AY
Parental Home	£8,610	£10,158	£4,327
Elsewhere	£10,227	£11,658	
London	£13,348	£14,557	
Overseas	£11,713	£13,038	

The '**eligible for benefits**' Maintenance Loan rate is available to students who fall into a specified category (full list on an application form) including if they:

- Are a lone parent responsible for a child or a lone foster parent of a child or young person aged under 20
- Have a partner who is also a full-time student and are responsible for a child or young person aged under 20 who is in full-time non-advanced education
- Are deaf and qualify for Disabled Students' Allowance
- Have a disability and qualify to receive income related Employment Support Allowance or are eligible to receive Disability/Severe Disability Premium

If unsure, students should **always ask** Jobcentre Plus/Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) for clarification on their on-going benefit entitlement

The 'eligible for benefits' Maintenance Loan rate is made up of two main elements of support:

- A **Maintenance** Element and
- A **Special Support** Element

The Special Support Element of the loan is designed to be a **contribution** towards the cost of books, travel, equipment and childcare:

- The Special Support Element will be **disregarded** by the Department for Work and Pensions as student income when calculating benefits
- Any Special Support Element funding that students are eligible to receive will be clearly marked on their Notification of Entitlement letters

Maintenance Loans – NMT, MT and Maximum



2016 cohort FT students, not eligible for benefits or aged over 60

Full Year Student*	Maximum Loan	Non-Income Assessed	Income Assessed
Parental Home	£8,610	£3,790	£4,820
Elsewhere	£10,227	£4,767	£5,460
London	£13,348	£6,647	£6,701
Overseas	£11,713	£5,662	£6,051

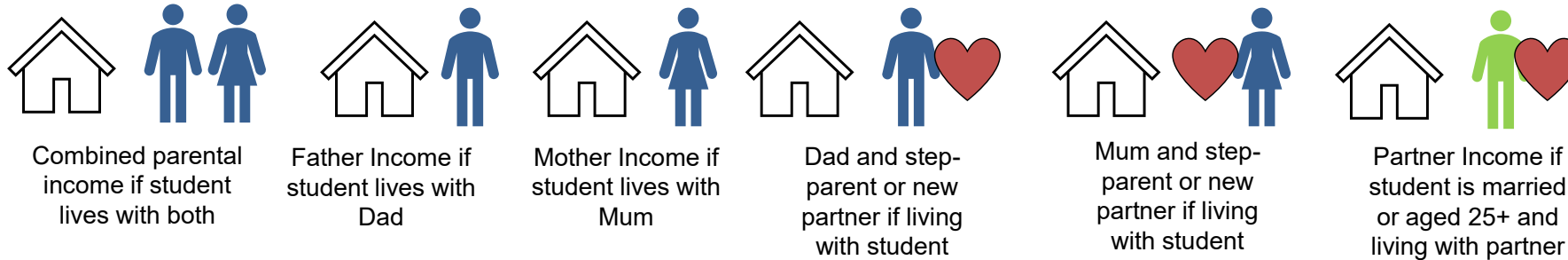
*Lower amounts available for final year students

Student Finance 2024/25

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DETAILS FROM APRIL
2022...UNLESS THERE
HAS BEEN A 15% DROP
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What Is Household Income?



Taxable Income	Non-Taxable Income
Earnings from employment	Interest and other income from ISA or PEP
Earnings from self employment	Working Tax and Child Tax Credit
Rent from letting property	Child Tax Credit
Interest from a bank or building society or local authority savings	Up to £7,500 rent a year from a lodger in only or family home (Rent-a-Room)
Private/State Pensions and Annuities	Premium Bond or National Lottery winnings
Dividends from shares, UK authorised unit trusts and investment companies	Life insurance policy lump sums (Including endowment policies)
Interest from National Savings (other than first £70 account interest) and Investments	Income from tax-free National Savings and Investments (Savings certificates)
Income from taxable benefits in kind	Capital Gain/Capital Allowance figures

Taxable Benefits	Non-Taxable Benefits
Jobseekers Allowance	Child Benefit and Child Tax Credit
Care Allowance	Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit
Incapacity Benefit – Over 28 Weeks	Income Support – Most payments
Employment Support Allowance (Contributory based only)	Employment Support Allowance (Income based only)
Retirement Pension (Inc. State Pension)	Working Tax Credit
Statutory Sick Pay	Disability Living Allowance
Bereavement Allowance or Benefit	Universal Credit
Statutory Maternity or Paternity Pay	Maternity Allowance

A Step-by-Step Guide to Applying and Supporting an application is available at www.gov.uk/slc

Maintenance Loans – Household Contribution



2016 cohort FT students, not eligible for benefits or aged over 60

Household Income	Home	Elsewhere	London
£25,000 & under	£8,610	£10,227	£13,348
£30,000	£7,887	£9,497	£12,606
£35,000	£7,163	£8,766	£11,863
£40,000	£6,440	£8,035	£11,120
£45,000	£5,716	£7,304	£10,377
£50,000	£4,993	£6,573	£9,634
£55,000	£4,269	£5,842	£8,891
£60,000	£3,790	£5,111	£8,148
£65,000	£3,790	£4,767	£7,405
£70,040 & over	£3,790	£4,767	£6,647



You can get an estimate of your loan entitlement using the calculator on:

www.gov.uk/student-finance-calculator

There will be times when students will not be financially supported by their parents or a partner. In such instances, they could be classed as an independent student when SFE work out loan entitlement:

- www.ucas.com/finance/student-finance-england/finance-independent-students

A student can be **assessed as being independent** if they:

- Are aged 25 or over before the start of the academic year
- Are married/in a civil partnership/divorced (even if under 25)*
- Have care of a child
- Have no living parents
- Are irreconcilably estranged from their parents
- They were looked after by a Local Authority (Care Leavers)
- Cannot trace their parents or it is not practical or possible to contact them
- Have supported themselves financially for at least three years**



*The income of the student's husband, wife or civil partner will be taken into account

**Prior to the start of their course

Maximum loans for new students starting postgraduate master's or doctoral degree courses in AY 2024/25 will be increased **by forecast inflation (2.5%)** in AY 2024/25 to:

Maximum Postgraduate Master's Loan

£12,471

Maximum Postgraduate Doctoral Loan

£29,390

Maximum Postgraduate Disabled Students' Allowance

£26,948

Additional Support

On 9th March 2022 [Lord Holmes](#) published his report into Disabled Students' Allowance



REPORT INTO THE DISABLED
STUDENTS' ALLOWANCE (DSA)

Lord Holmes of Richmond MBE
March 2022



- According to the latest figures, DSA was only received by 29% of those in higher education declaring a disability.
- The progression rate, measuring the number of pupils progressing from school to higher education, was 47.5% for pupils with no identified Special Education Needs (SEN). However, progression rates for pupils with SEN ranged from 20.8% for pupils receiving extra or different help in school (SEN Support) to just 8.4% for pupils with a statement of SEN or Education, Health and Care plan (EHCP)
- We do not know how many were discouraged from attending in the first place or who entered higher education but did not declare a disability.

The maximum allowance **£26,947** applies to both full-time and part-time undergraduate and postgraduate DSA recipients in 2024/25.

Disabled Students' Allowances provide help towards the additional costs a student may face as result of their disability, long-term health condition, mental-health condition or specific learning difficulty:

DSA Support:

- Is available in addition to the standard student finance package,
- Does not have to be repaid,
- Is not affected by household income,
- Looks at the specific needs of the individual student

Who Can Qualify For DSA?



Disabled students have a wide array of impairments. These may include:

specific learning differences, such as dyslexia or attention deficit hyperactivity

mental health conditions, including anxiety, anorexia or depression

social or communication impairments, such as Asperger's syndrome or another autistic spectrum disorder

long-term health conditions, including cancer, Crohn's disease or HIV

physical disabilities affecting mobility or dexterity

sensory impairments such as deafness or severe sight loss

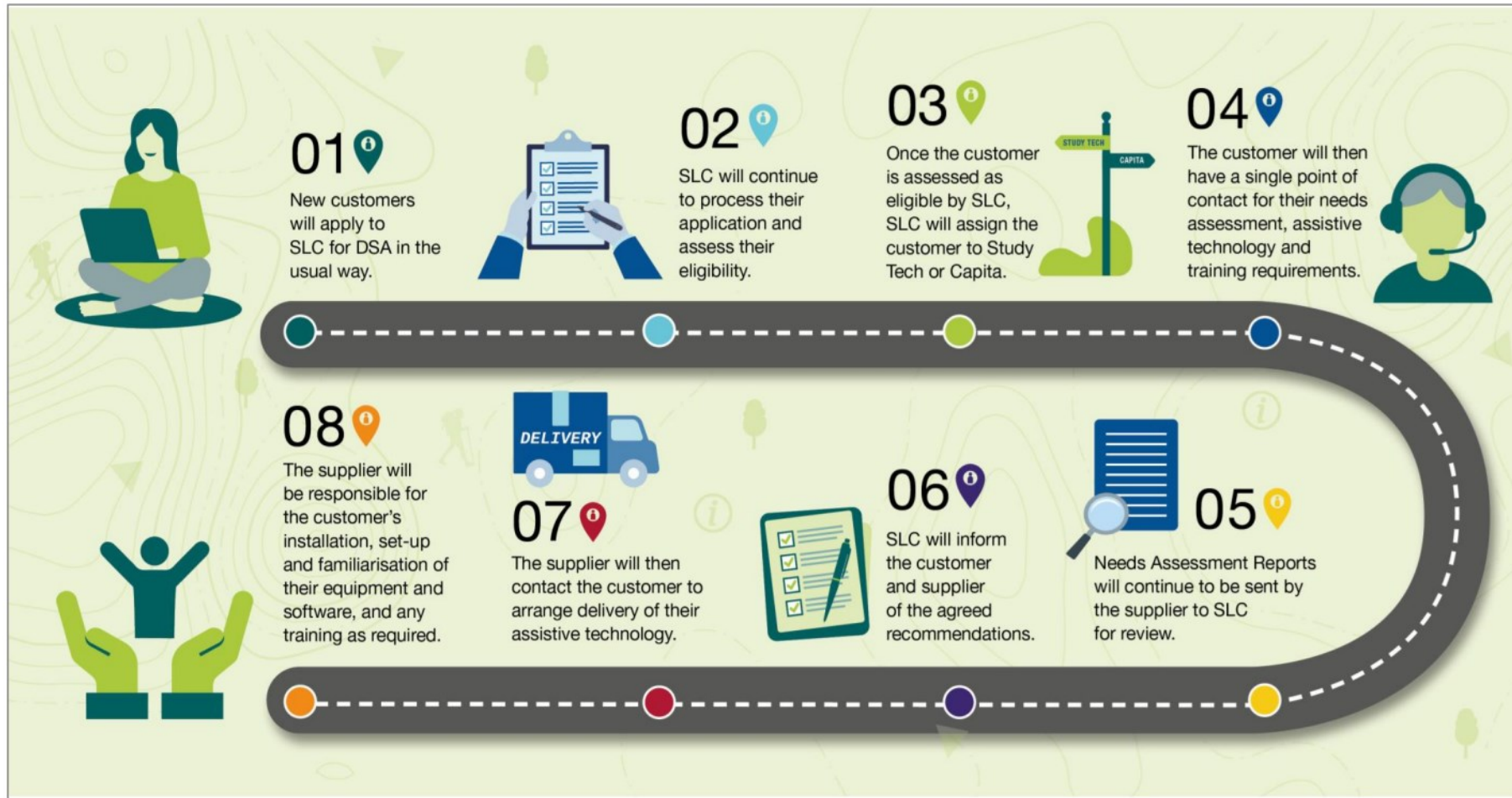
Disabled Students Allowance



New Suppliers: Study Tech and Capita

What they will supply:

Needs assessments, assistive technology and assistive technology training for students in receipt of DSA. Students will have one supplier who has ownership of their end-to-end support for the services above.



GFD AY 24/25 Income Assessments	PLA	ADG	CCG (*52 Week Rate)	
			1 Child	2+ Children
Maximum entitlement	£1,963	£3,438	£10,068.24*	£17,261.40*
Minimum payable	£50	£0.01	£0.01	£0.01
Lower income threshold for maximum grant	£14,910	£8,746	£9,727	£11,118
Upper income threshold for minimum grant	£18,835.98	£15,621.98	£19,795.23	£28,379.39



*Weekly maximum CCG amount for one child: **£193.62**

*Weekly maximum CCG amount for two or more children: **£331.95**

Additional NHS Support in England



Training Grant

£5,000 per year academic for eligible new and continuing students



Specialist subject payment

£1,000 for students studying a specialist subject.



Parental Support

New and continuing students with parental responsibility for at least one child may be entitled to up to £2,000 per academic year.



Travel and Dual Accommodation Expenses

Reimbursement of additional travel and temporary accommodation costs incurred as a result of attending a practice placement.



Exceptional Support Fund

Up to £3,000 per academic year for students who find themselves in unforeseen financial hardship.

Other Key Points

- Previous Study Exemption for 2nd degree (if NHS)
- Maximum NHS and SFE funding available
- Applications SFE usually Jan/Feb
- Applications NHS usually April
- Students eligible for the long course loan
- Students must be eligible for tuition fees and maintenance support in each AY to be able to access NHS LSF

[Visit NHS BSA / Student Services for more information](#)



Repayments

From academic year 2023/24, loan repayment policies for undergraduate students in England undertook a change.

Key facts about how repayments now work, include;

- Students won't have to make repayments until their income is **over a set threshold**, which will be **£25,000 a year** until **April 2027**
- From April 2027 the threshold is set to **rise annually** with inflation (RPI)
- If students study a full-time course, they will be due to **start repaying** from the April after completing their course or leaving/withdrawing from higher education
- A 2026 graduate who starts a job with a **salary of £28,000** a year, would expect to repay around **£17 per month** over financial year 2027-28
- If a student's **income drops below the threshold**, their repayments will stop, and any outstanding balance will be written-off **40 years** after entering repayment

Government Rationale for £25,000 Threshold:

- How much per month? (projected figures)

Gross Annual Income	Approx Monthly (2023/24) @ £25,000	Approx Monthly (2027/28) @ £25,710
£25,000	£0	£0
£28,000	£22	£17
£30,000	£37	£32
£35,000	£75	£69
£40,000	£112	£107
£45,000	£150	£144
£50,000	£187	£182



Cost of Living Consideration

Cost of Living Consideration – Guidance



A GOV.UK page has been designed to Help students consider the range of living costs, they may face and understand the funding they can access.

The information covers means testing, budgeting, sources of additional support and links to useful resources, including [Student Space](#)

Specific advice has been updated for students who are experiencing financial hardship.

www.gov.uk/guidance/cost-of-living-student-finance-support

www.gov.uk/guidance/understanding-living-costs-while-studying-at-university-or-college

The screenshot shows the GOV.UK website with the following content:
- Header: GOV.UK, Topics, Government activity, Search icon.
- Breadcrumbs: Home > Coronavirus (COVID-19) | Latest updates and guidance
- Sub-breadcrumbs: Home > Education, training and skills > Funding and finance for students > Student loans
- Section: Guidance, Understanding student living costs
- Text: Information for students about what living cost funding is available (including student finance for 2022 to 2023) for those living in England.
- Source: From: Student Loans Company, Published 18 January 2022

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- Section: Guidance, What to do if you're in financial hardship
- Text: Guidance on what to do if you're struggling financially as a result of your student finance entitlement being reduced, because you were overpaid.

What you could get as a minimum in the 2022 to 2023 academic year

Student Finance England (SFE) provide a Maintenance Loan to help you with your living costs. All eligible students qualify for a non-income assessed minimum amount

Living arrangements

Living at home

Living away from home

Living away from home

What you could get as a maximum in the 2022 to 2023 academic year

If you apply for student finance based on your [household income](#) then you may be entitled to even more Maintenance Loan to help with your living costs.

For example, full-time undergraduate students with a household income of £25,000 or less would get the maximum additional Maintenance Loan. Students with a household income above £25,000 would get a lower amount of loan based on their household income.

The tables below show some examples of what the difference is between the maximum Maintenance Loan and the amount you could get based on your [household income](#).

Let us know as soon as you can if you're in financial hardship. You should contact us on 0300 100 0607. We'll send you a 'Financial Hardship Confirmation' form to complete and upload to your online account. Your university or college can also request the form for you and should be able to help you fill it in.

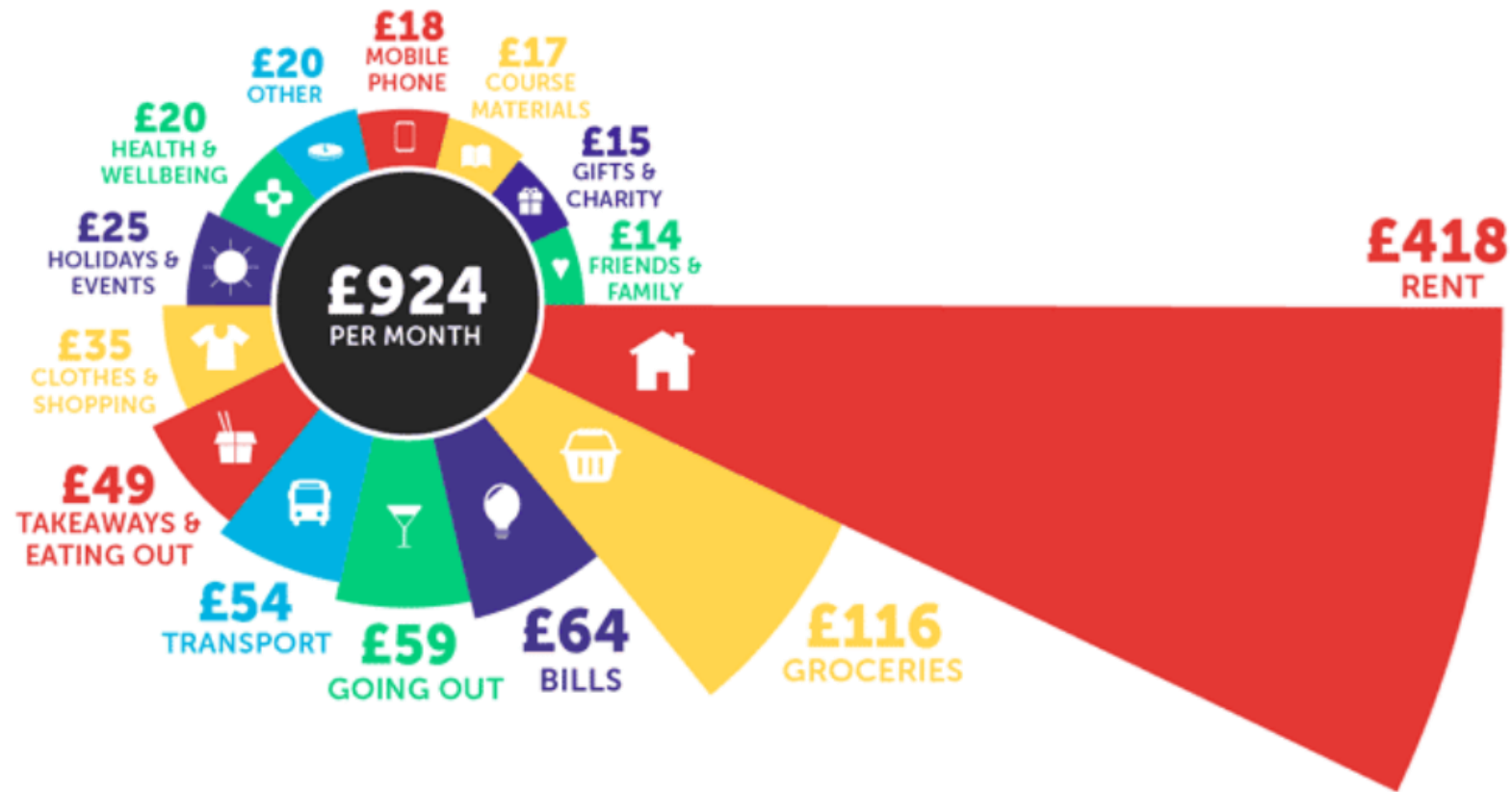
On the form you'll give us details of your income and any financial outgoings. It might be helpful to find this information before you start filling it in. You'll also need to send us some documents with the form, including bank statements for all of your bank accounts.

We look at every application on an individual basis. We know this can be a difficult time and we'll assess your application for hardship within 2-3 weeks.

Cost of Living Consideration – Student

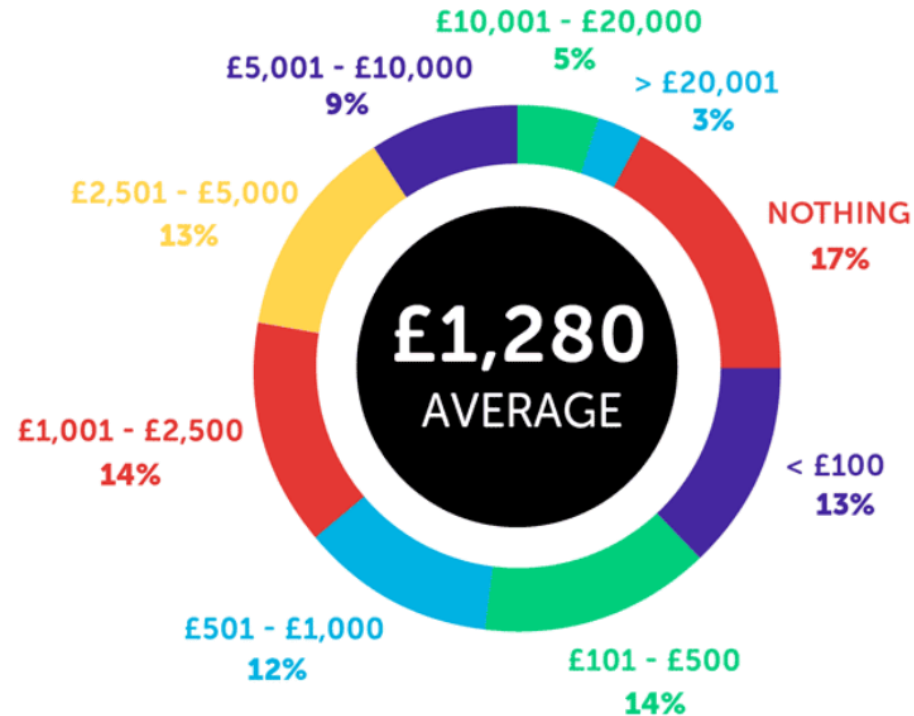


Students across the UK spend an average of **£924 each month**, but on what?



Figures from [Savethestudent.org](https://www.savethestudent.org) Student Money Survey

66% of students from the Save the Student survey indicated they had saved (an average of £1,280) to go to university, but 15% had **never** budgeted:





Useful Resources

You can access the suite of videos available on our SFE YouTube channel which you can signpost your students to. You are also able to embed these to your websites:

[Student Finance England - YouTube](#)



How and when to apply 2024 to 2025

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Can I get student finance in 2024 to 2025?

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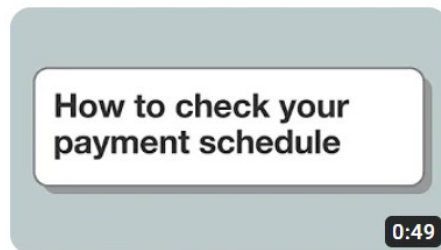
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DSA Experiences - Christopher's story

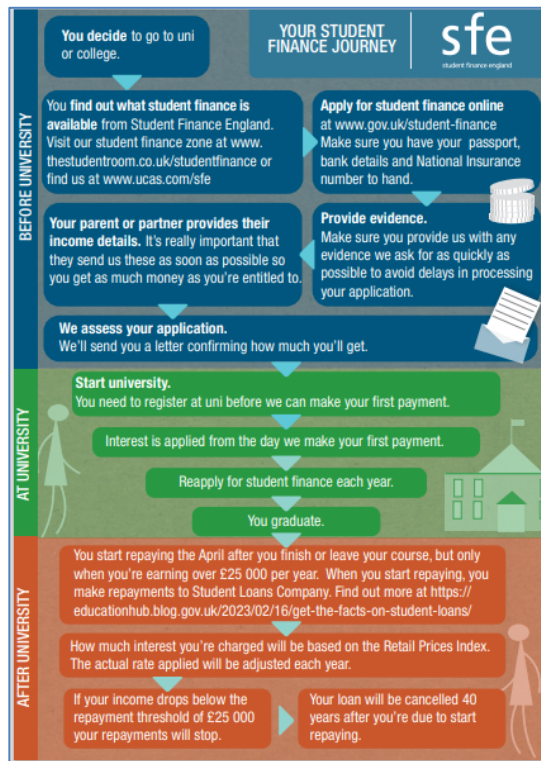
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DSA Experiences - Dan's story

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We have recently updated our resources for AY 23/24, some examples of the leaflets we have available:



YOUR STUDENT FINANCE JOURNEY **sfe**
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BEFORE UNIVERSITY

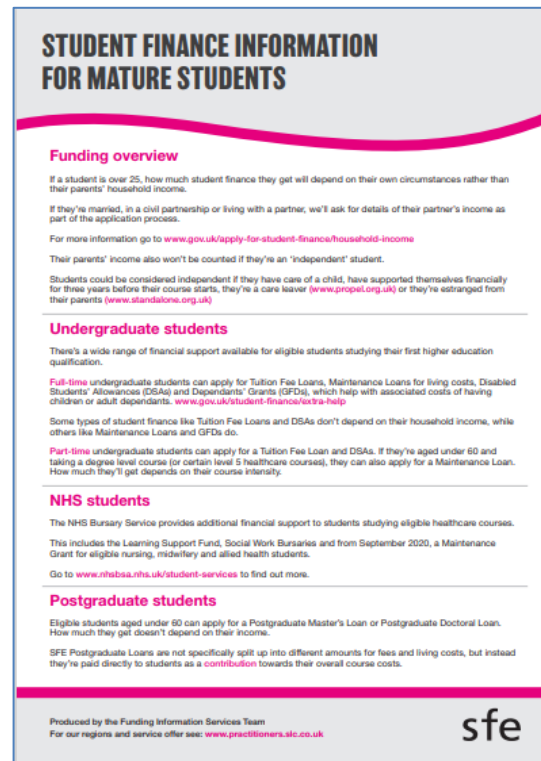
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- Apply for student finance online at www.gov.uk/student-finance. Make sure you have your passport, bank details and National Insurance number to hand.
- Your parent or partner provides their income details. It's really important that they send us these as soon as possible so you get as much money as you're entitled to.
- Provide evidence. Make sure you provide us with any evidence we ask for as quickly as possible to avoid delays in processing your application.
- We assess your application. We'll send you a letter confirming how much you'll get.

AT UNIVERSITY

- Start university. You need to register at uni before we can make your first payment.
- Interest is applied from the day we make your first payment.
- Reapply for student finance each year.
- You graduate.

AFTER UNIVERSITY

- You start repaying the April after you finish or leave your course, but only when you're earning over £25 000 per year. When you start repaying, you make repayments to Student Loans Company. Find out more at <https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2023/02/16/get-the-facts-on-student-loans/>
- How much interest you're charged will be based on the Retail Prices Index. The actual rate applied will be adjusted each year.
- If your income drops below the repayment threshold of £25 000 your repayments will stop.
- Your loan will be cancelled 40 years after you're due to start repaying.



STUDENT FINANCE INFORMATION FOR MATURE STUDENTS

Funding overview

If a student is over 25, how much student finance they get will depend on their own circumstances rather than their parents' household income.

If they're married, in a civil partnership or living with a partner, we'll ask for details of their partner's income as part of the application process.

For more information go to www.gov.uk/apply-for-student-finance/household-income

Their parents' income also won't be counted if they're an 'independent' student.

Students could be considered independent if they have care of a child, have supported themselves financially for three years before their course starts, they're a care leaver (www.propel.org.uk) or they're estranged from their parents (www.standalone.org.uk)

Undergraduate students

There's a wide range of financial support available for eligible students studying their first higher education qualification.

Full-time undergraduate students can apply for Tuition Fee Loans, Maintenance Loans for living costs, Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA) and Dependents' Grants (DGs), which help with associated costs of having children or adult dependants. www.gov.uk/student-finance/extra-help

Some types of student finance like Tuition Fee Loans and DSAs don't depend on their household income, while others like Maintenance Loans and DGs do.

Part-time undergraduate students can apply for a Tuition Fee Loan and DSAs. If they're aged under 60 and taking a degree level course (or certain level 5 healthcare courses), they can also apply for a Maintenance Loan. How much they'll get depends on their course intensity.

NHS students

The NHS Bursary Service provides additional financial support to students studying eligible healthcare courses. This includes the Learning Support Fund, Social Work Bursaries and from September 2020, a Maintenance Grant for eligible nursing, midwifery and allied health students.

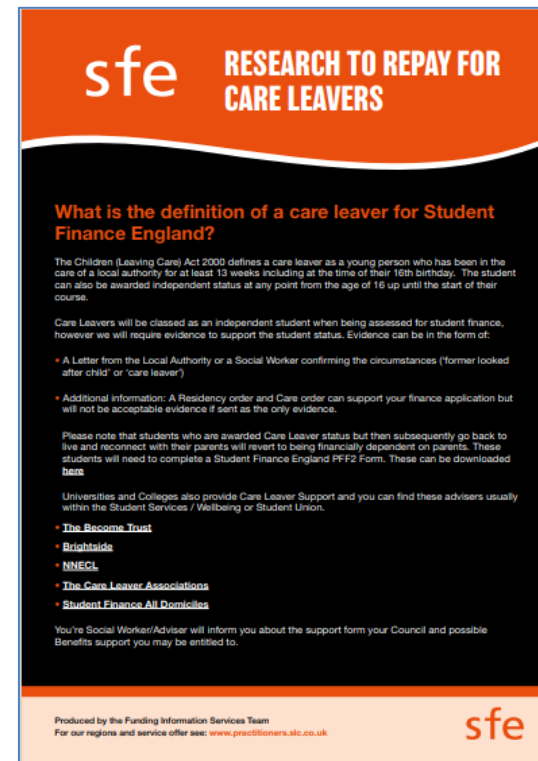

Go to www.nhs.uk/nhs.uk/student-services to find out more.

Postgraduate students

Eligible students aged under 60 can apply for a Postgraduate Master's Loan or Postgraduate Doctoral Loan. How much they get doesn't depend on their income.

SFE Postgraduate Loans are not specifically split up into different amounts for fees and living costs, but instead they're paid directly to students as a contribution towards their overall course costs.

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sfe **RESEARCH TO REPAY FOR CARE LEAVERS**

What is the definition of a care leaver for Student Finance England?

The Children (Leaving Care) Act 2000 defines a care leaver as a young person who has been in the care of a local authority for at least 13 weeks including at the time of their 16th birthday. The student can also be awarded independent status at any point from the age of 16 up until the start of their course.

Care Leavers will be classed as an independent student when being assessed for student finance, however we will require evidence to support the student status. Evidence can be in the form of:

- A Letter from the Local Authority or a Social Worker confirming the circumstances ('former looked after child' or 'care leaver')
- Additional information: A Residency order and Care order can support your finance application but will not be acceptable evidence if sent as the only evidence.

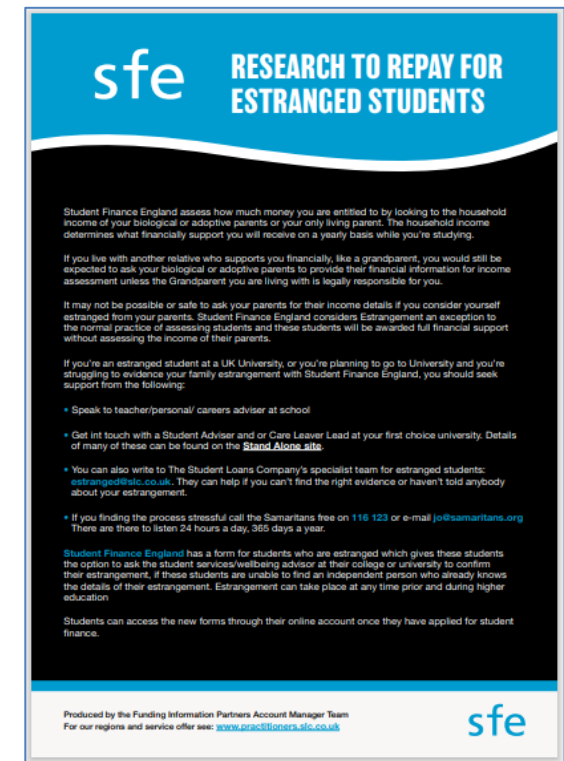

Please note that students who are awarded Care Leaver status but then subsequently go back to live and reconnect with their parents will revert to being financially dependent on parents. These students will need to complete a Student Finance England PPF2 Form. These can be downloaded [here](#)

Universities and Colleges also provide Care Leaver Support and you can find these advisers usually within the Student Services / Wellbeing or Student Union.

- The Broomfield Trust**
- Brightside**
- NNECL**
- The Care Leaver Associations**
- Student Finance All Domiciles**

You're Social Worker/Adviser will inform you about the support from your Council and possible Benefits support you may be entitled to.

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sfe **RESEARCH TO REPAY FOR ESTRANGED STUDENTS**

Student Finance England assess how much money you are entitled to by looking to the household income of your biological or adoptive parents or your only living parent. The household income determines what financial support you will receive on a yearly basis while you're studying.

If you live with another relative who supports you financially, like a grandparent, you would still be expected to ask your biological or adoptive parents to provide their financial information for income assessment unless the Grandparent you are living with is legally responsible for you.

It may not be possible or safe to ask your parents for their income details if you consider yourself estranged from your parents. Student Finance England considers Estrangement an exception to the normal practice of assessing students and these students will be awarded full financial support without assessing the income of their parents.


If you're an estranged student at a UK University, or you're planning to go to University and you're struggling to evidence your family estrangement with Student Finance England, you should seek support from the following:

- Speak to teacher/personal/ careers adviser at school
- Get in touch with a Student Adviser and or Care Leaver Lead at your first choice university. Details of many of these can be found on the [Stand Alone site](#).
- You can also write to The Student Loans Company's specialist team for estranged students: estranged@slc.co.uk. They can help if you can't find the right evidence or haven't told anybody about your estrangement.
- If you find the process stressful call the Samaritans free on 116 123 or e-mail jo@samaritans.org. There are there to listen 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Student Finance England has a form for students who are estranged which gives these students the option to ask the student services/wellbeing advisor at their college or university to confirm their estrangement. If these students are unable to find an independent person who already knows the details of their estrangement. Estrangement can take place at any time prior and during higher education

Students can access the new forms through their online account once they have applied for student finance.

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SFE Information Online

The SFE pages on the Student Room and UCAS sites provide a consistent source of the latest key messages on all aspects of student finance:

Student Finance England (SFE) provides you with student finance while you study.

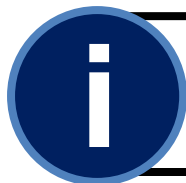
There's a range of financial help available including loans that have to be paid back, and grants that don't. Whether you're thinking about going to uni or college, you're already studying, or you're about to enter repayment, you'll find everything you need to know about student finance on our student finance zone.

- Undergraduate student finance
- EU student finance
- Postgraduate student finance
- Parents and partners

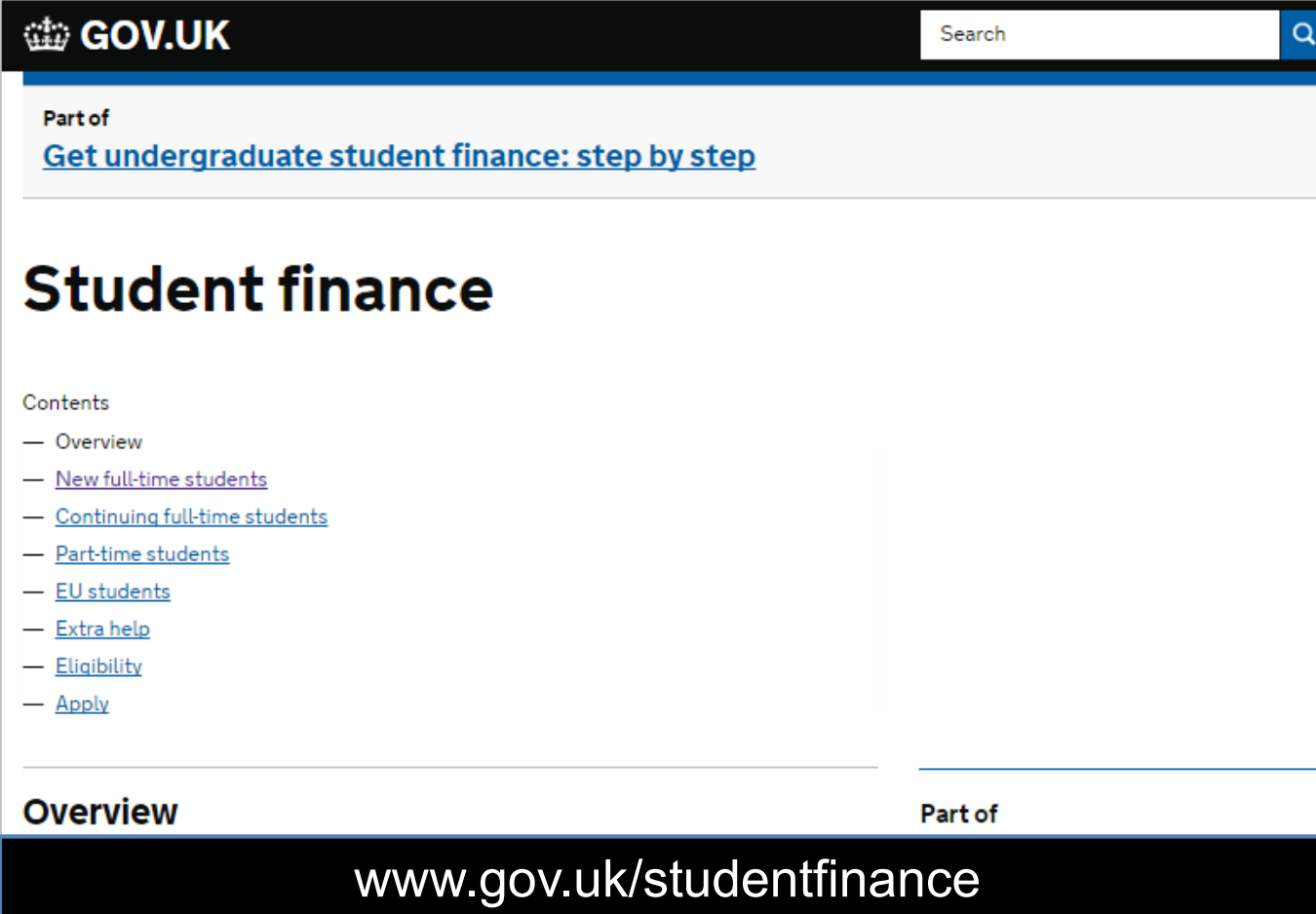
STUDENT FINANCE IN ENGLAND

Everything you need to know about student finance

- Going to uni or college in 2022 to 2023? Apply now and let us fund your future!**
Full-time undergraduate 2022 to 2023 applications are now open! It's important to apply as soon as possible so your funding is in place for starting your course.
Visit our dedicated page on Gov.uk to find out how to apply and for more information on what you can get.
Part-time and postgraduate applications will open later in 2022 - follow us on social media for updates.
• Twitter
• Facebook
• Instagram
- Undergraduate funding**
Find out what funding you could get to help with the cost of your undergraduate studies.
 - Tuition fees
 - Living costs
- Postgraduate funding**
Find out what funding you could get to help with the cost of your postgraduate studies.
 - Master's Loan
 - Doctoral Loan
- Household income details needed!**
It's important to understand what happens if your parent(s) or partner's details are missing, or are
- Disabled Students' Allowance**
Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA) are grants to help with any extra essential costs you may have as a direct
- Dependants' grants**
If you have children or an adult dependant, you may be able to get extra help.
- Other funding**
Depending what and where you choose to study, you may be eligible for additional sources of funding.



The Student Room: www.thestudentroom.co.uk/student-finance
UCAS SFE Pages: www.ucas.com/sfe

A screenshot of the GOV.UK website page for Student Finance. The page has a black header with the GOV.UK logo and a search bar. Below the header, there is a breadcrumb trail: 'Part of' followed by a link to 'Get undergraduate student finance: step by step'. The main heading is 'Student finance'. Underneath, there is a 'Contents' section with a list of links: Overview, New full-time students, Continuing full-time students, Part-time students, EU students, Extra help, Eligibility, and Apply. At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with 'Overview' on the left and 'Part of' on the right, and a black bar at the very bottom containing the URL 'www.gov.uk/studentfinance' in white text.

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www.gov.uk/studentfinance

For further Information on student finance and applications,
students and their sponsors should call us on:

Customer helpline: 0300 100 0607

Monday to Friday, 8am to 8pm

Saturday, 9am to 4pm

There are no silly questions when it comes
to student finance, so if you're unsure, ask!

Many thanks for attending.

If you want to discuss any Student Finance issues, ask questions or arrange a visit, please don't hesitate to contact me using the details below.

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