

Student Finance and Budgeting

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WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT UNIVERSITY FUNDING?





ONLY RICH STUDENTS CAN GO TO UNIVERSITY?

There are **no** upfront costs.
A university can only charge the maximum £9250 a year if they offer increased financial support to students who need it (bursaries and scholarships).

EVERY STUDENT IS ENTITLED TO A TUITION FEE LOAN TO COVER THE COSTS OF THEIR COURSE



Yes, all students can receive a loan from the government to cover the cost of their fees, up to £9250 a year, paid directly to their University or College. This is called a Tuition Fee Loan.

AS A STUDENT YOU ARE TOLD HOW TO SPEND YOUR MONEY?



The maintenance loan is paid in three instalments, at the start of each term, directly into the student's bank account. It is to help with food, accommodation and living costs.

HAVING A STUDENT LOAN WILL AFFECT YOUR CREDIT AND LOAN APPLICATIONS IN THE FUTURE



Student loans are unsecured lending from the government and are very different to credit cards or commercial loans. They don't go on credit files and don't show up on credit checks.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO PAY BACK YOUR STUDENT LOAN IF YOU DIE



Although it is not recommended!

A student loan is the student's responsibility and cannot be passed onto anyone else. Any outstanding loan will be written off 30 years after it first became eligible for repayment

KEY MESSAGES

- Financial help is available for all students
- A student loan is written off after 30 years
- There are **no** upfront costs
- The student loan does not affect credit scores



WHAT HELP IS AVAILABLE?

✓ Tuition Fee Loan ✓ Maintenance Loan ✓ Bursaries and Scholarships ✓ (Some) professional body bursaries ✓ Other grants may also be available



TUITION FEES



- ✓ Universities and colleges can charge new full-time students up to £9,250 per year for tuition fees
- ✓ <u>NOTE</u>: Eligible students will not have to pay any tuition fees up front
- The Tuition Fee Loan does not depend on household income
- The Student Loan Company pay the Tuition Fee Loan directly to the university
 - ✓ The loan is repayable, but only when the student's income is over £25,000 a year

MAINTENANCE LOAN

- ✓ More money is now available for students now than has ever been available under the previous system
- ✓ The Maintenance loan is repayable and all eligible students are entitled to receive some funding
- ✓ The loan is wiped after 30 years
- ✓ It is based entirely on what is earned, not what is owed. In other words it's a no win, no fee system
- Most people won't pay back any more under the new system



HOW MUCH CAN I BORROW? For 2018 starters:

Based on living away from Home, outside London

Household income	Loan amount (per year)	Parental contribution to equal max loan (per year)
£25,000	£8,700	Nothing
£40,000	£6,828	£1,872
£62,215+	£4,054 (not means- tested)	£4,646

WHAT ABOUT THE INTEREST?

✓ The interest charged will vary during study and depending on earnings after graduation.

During study until repayment	Interest rate: Retail Price Index (RPI + 3%)
Earnings below £25,000	Interest rate: Set at RPI only
Earning between £25,000 – £45,000	Interest rate: RPI + up to 3% (dependent on income)
Earnings above £45,000	Interest rate: RPI + 3%

Note: students can make extra voluntary payments at any time

REPAYMENT OF LOANS

- ✓ Repayment starts once you've finished your course (from the April after graduation)
- Automatic deductions you don't have to worry!
 What you pay depends on what you earn
 If you earn nothing, you pay nothing
 You pay back 9% of anything you earn over £25,000



WHAT BURSARIES & SCHOLARSHIPS DO WE OFFER?

York Bursary 2017/18 for UK and EU students			
Residual household income	Year 1	Year 2	
Less than £16,000	£2,000	£1,600	
£16,001 to £25,000	£1,750	£1,500	
£25,001 to £35,000	£1,500	£1,500	
Or			
Foundation Year Bursary	Residual household income	Fee waiver	
Year 0 only	£25,000 or less	£5,600	
	£25,001 or more	£3,000	
After Year 0, York Bursary 2017/18 applies if residual household income is £35,000 or less			

WHAT BURSARIES & SCHOLARSHIPS DO WE OFFER?

Care Leaver and Foyer Bursary	Award	
Year 1	£3,000: student chooses form of payment on application for the bursary	
Subsequent years	£2,500	
 ✓ Final year students also receive £1,000 in the third term to assist with graduation and interview costs ✓ During a sandwich course, placement or year abroad, a student receives £1,250 		

 ✓ In addition, universities may offer awards funded by alumni and private donors. The funding can become available at any time - check websites for the latest information: www.york.ac.uk/undergraduate-bursaries

ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

UK students might get extra money on top of a student loan if they are:

✓ on a low income
✓ are disabled
✓ have dependents (whether an adult or a child)

If a student encounters unexpected financial difficulties, most universities will consider a request for hardship and emergency funding

HOW AND WHEN TO APPLY?

- Apply in the Spring before the September the course starts
- Set up a student finance online account and complete the online application: www.gov.uk/studentfinance
- No need to wait for a confirmed offer from a university, but if details change then inform them as soon as possible
- Ensure that any required evidence is sent straight away to support :
- ✓ Valid UK passport number (for student identity)
- National Insurance numbers (Student and Parents' for income details)
- Apply EARLY to ensure money is available at the start of the course
- Reapply for every year of the course

WHAT DO STUDENTS HAVE TO PAY FOR?

- ✓ Tuition Fees
- ✓ Accommodation
- ✓ Food
- ✓ Bills
- ✓ Travel
- ✓ Books and other course costs
- ✓ Clothes
 - ✓ Social life







ACCOMMODATION

- The biggest expenditure
- Our accommodation for undergraduate students varies from £106- £198 per week
- E.g: Economy, shared bathroom, self catered is £106 per week (40 wk let length)

Budget: # Accommodation: # #

£8,000 £4,240 -£1,000 = £3,240

Remaining:

£4,760

YOUR HOME AT YORK COLLEGES AND ACCOMMODATION



OUR GUARANTEE

Whether we're your **firm or insurance choice**, you're guaranteed a room offer if you apply by Monday 31 July

KEY FACTS

PRICES PER WEEK

Self-catered: £106–£153 Catered: £145–£179

(2017/18 prices)

INCLUDED IN THE PRICE

- Heating, electricity and water
- Contents insurance
- Wifi and 100Mbs wired internet with no download limit

ECONOMY (DERWENT COLLEGE)

Available in **Derwent**, **James**, **Halifax** and **Vanbrugh**

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STANDARD ROOM (ALCUIN COLLEGE)

Available in **Alcuin**, **Derwent**, **Goodricke**, **Halifax**, **James** and **Vanbrugh**

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PREMIUM ROOM (CONSTANTINE COLLEGE)

Available in **Constantine** and **Langwith**





CATERED OR SELF-CATERED?

OUR CATERED PACKAGES

- Available in **Derwent**, **James** or **Vanbrugh**
- Include breakfast and an evening meal in your college's dining hall, Monday to Friday during term time
- Or buy a Meals In Advance card for use in any dining hall



ENSUITE OR SHARED BATHROOM?



- Just under half of our rooms include an **ensuite** bathroom
- Shared bathrooms are cleaned regularly and only used by one student at a time!

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

 Inform the university of room or location requirements for health, welfare or mobility reasons

Back to budgeting...

FOOD

Anywhere
 between £10 - £50
 per week
 depending on the
 individual

Budget: $\pounds 8,000$ Accommodation: $\pounds 3,240$ Food: $\pounds 1,440$

Remaining:

£3,620



Use own brands



Live within a budget



Use local markets



Buy in bulk and save (and freeze!)

SOCIAL LIFE

- Freshers' week
- Tame or wild
- There is always new things to see and do

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700 - £2,000

Remaining: £1,-

£1,420 -£2,920

TRAVEL

- Visits to friends?
- Visits home?
- Railcard?



<u>Budget:</u>	£8,000
Accommodation:	£3,240
Food:	£1,440
Freshers' week:	£200
Social Life:	£500 - £2,00
Travel:	£200

Remaining:

£1,220-£2,720 \cap

DAY TO DAY LIVING



Phone bill



Laundry



Cleaning



Utilities



Study costs

 Accommodation:
 £3,240

 Food:
 £1,230

 Freshers' week:
 £200

 Social Life:
 £500 - £2000

 Travel:
 £200

 Day to day living:
 £500

Remaining:

£720



Some of the 'other' things students can buy! But, let's face it, they really don't need...

Remaining: £720-£2,220













PART TIME JOB?

Some students have part-time jobs to help fund their studies



- ✓ NUS suggest no more than 16 hours of work per week
- ✓ Depends on course timetable
- ✓ If moving away from home look to transfer current job where possible
- Holiday work students are usually on holiday for around 22 weeks a year

FAMILY CONTRIBUTION

Parents or other family members may be willing/able to provide some funding to help whilst at university but it is NOT essential.



Savings

Any money saved before you start of the course is a bonus – every little bit helps!

TOP BUDGETING TIPS

- ✓ Shop at discount supermarkets!
- ✓ 'Downshift' brand challenge!
- ✓ Shop and cook with housemates
- Take advantage of student discounts get a student railcard
- ✓ Find a good student bank account with more overdraft room at 0% interest
- ✓ Use the library / buy books from Amazon
- ✓ Avoid credit card or store cards



Thank you for listening

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