

STUDENT SUPPORT INFORMATION NOTE

**STUDENT FINANCE ARRANGEMENTS for
UNDERGRADUATES FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2017/18.**

TO:

HIGHER EDUCATION PRACTITIONERS
IN ENGLAND

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Dear colleague

The Higher Education Student Finance Package for 2017/18.

This information note sets out the higher education student finance package for the 2017/18 academic year for undergraduate students in England which was announced by the Government on 21 July 2016.

This also covers support for graduate medics, students starting second undergraduate degrees in STEM subjects on a part-time basis and support for postgraduate students applying for Disabled Students' Allowances.

The main components of the package of support for 2017/18 are highlighted below and in the attached Annex.

Changes to the HE student finance package for 2017/18 – summary:

New full-time students and full-time students starting their courses from 1 August 2016 onwards who are continuing their courses in 2017/18:

Full time fees and fee loans:

- Maximum fees for full-time courses, sandwich courses and full-time distance learning courses will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £9,250 where publicly funded providers with an OFFA access agreement have also achieved a Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF) rating of Meets Expectations in Year One (2016/17).

- Maximum fees for full-time courses, sandwich courses and full-time distance learning courses will be maintained at 2016/17 levels in 2017/18 (£9,000) where publicly funded providers with an OFFA access agreement have not achieved Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF) rating of Meets Expectations in Year One (2016/17).
- Maximum fee loans for full-time courses, sandwich courses and full-time distance learning courses will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £9,250 in 2017/18.

Living Costs support for students attending their full-time courses:

- The maximum loan for living costs will be increased in 2017/18 by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £8,430 a year for students living away from home and studying outside London.
- A corresponding 2.8% increase will be made to maximum loans for living costs in 2017/18 for students living away from home and studying in London or overseas and students living in the parental home.

Living Costs support for students entitled to benefits who are attending their full-time courses:

- The maximum loans for living costs for students who are eligible for benefits will be increased in 2017/18 by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £9,609 a year for students living away from home and studying outside London.
- A corresponding 2.8% increase will be made to maximum loans for living costs in 2017/18 for students living away from home and studying in London or overseas and students living in the parental home.

Students aged 60 or over at the start of their course who are attending their full-time courses.

- The maximum loan for living costs for students aged 60 on the first day of the first academic year of their course will be increased in 2017/18 by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £3,566.

Full-time Students who started their courses on or after 1 September 2012 and before 1 August 2016 who are continuing their courses in 2017/18:

Full time fees and fee loans:

- Maximum fees for full-time courses, sandwich courses and full-time distance learning courses will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £9,250 where publicly funded providers with an OFFA access agreement have also achieved a Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF) rating of Meets Expectations in Year One.
- Maximum fees for full-time courses, sandwich courses and full-time distance learning courses will be maintained at 2016/17 levels in 2017/18 (£9,000) where publicly funded providers with an OFFA

access agreement have not achieved a Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF) rating of Meets Expectations in Year One.

- Maximum fee loans for full-time courses, sandwich courses and full-time distance learning courses will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £9,250 in 2017/18.

Living costs support for full-time students attending their courses:

- Maximum Maintenance Grants and Special Support Grants will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) in 2017/18.
- Maximum loans for living costs will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) in 2017/18.

Part-time Students:

- Maximum fees for part-time courses starting on or after 1 September 2012 will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £6,935 where publicly funded providers with an OFFA access agreement have also achieved a Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF) rating of Meets Expectations in Year One.
- Maximum fees for part-time courses starting on or after 1 September 2012 will be maintained at 2016/17 levels in 2017/18 (£6,750) where publicly funded providers with an OFFA access agreement have not achieved a Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF) rating of Meets Expectations in Year One.
- Maximum fee loans for part-time courses starting on or after 1 September 2012 will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £6,935 in 2017/18.
- Maximum Fee Grants and Course Grants for part-time courses (and full-time distance learning courses) that started before September 2012 will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) in 2017/18.

Targeted Grants:

- Maximum grants for full-time students attending courses with dependants (Childcare Grant, Adult Dependants' Grant, Parents' Learning Allowance), will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) in 2017/18.
- Maximum Disabled Students' Allowance for full-time, part-time and postgraduate students will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) in 2017/18.

Changes to the HE student finance package for 2017/18 – detail:

Fees and Fee Loans - New and Continuing Full-time Students in 2017/18.

1) Full-time fees and fee loans:

New students and eligible continuing students starting to attend full-time courses on or after 1 September 2012:

- For publicly funded providers that have **not** achieved a Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF) rating of Meets Expectations in Year One (2016/17), maximum fees for full-time courses will be maintained at £6,000, or at £9,000 where a provider has met conditions on widening participation set by the Office for Fair Access (OFFA) for 2017/18.
- For publicly funded providers that have achieved a TEF rating of Meets Expectations in Year One, maximum fees for full-time courses will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £6,165, or to £9,250 where a provider has met conditions on widening participation set by OFFA.
- Maximum fee loans for full-time courses at publicly funded providers, will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £9,250.
- Maximum fee loans for full-time courses at private providers that have **not** achieved a TEF rating of Meets Expectations in Year One will be maintained at £6,000.
- Maximum fee loans for full-time courses at private providers that have achieved a TEF rating of Meets Expectations in Year One will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £6,165.

Continuing students who started attending full-time courses before 1 September 2012:

- Maximum fees for full-time courses will be maintained at £3,465.
- Maximum fee loans for full-time courses will also be maintained at £3,465.

2) Fees and fee loans for students undertaking Erasmus study and work placement years abroad and non-Erasmus years of study abroad.

New students and continuing students starting to attend full-time courses on or after 1 September 2012 at providers that have not achieved a TEF rating of Meets Expectations in Year One:

- Maximum fees for Erasmus study or work placement years and non-Erasmus overseas years of study will be maintained in 2017/18 at £900 or at £1,350 where a publicly funded provider has met conditions on widening participation set by OFFA. These figures are 15% of the relevant maximum fee caps for students who started their courses on or after 1 September 2012.

New students and continuing students starting to attend full-time courses on or after 1 September 2012 at providers that have achieved a TEF rating of Meets Expectations in Year One:

- Maximum fees for Erasmus study or work placement years and non-Erasmus overseas years of study will be increased to £920 or to £1,385 where a publicly funded provider has met conditions on widening participation set by OFFA. These figures are 15% of the relevant maximum fee caps for students who started their courses on or after 1 September 2012.

Fee loans for Erasmus Years:

- Maximum fee loans for Erasmus study or work placement years and non-Erasmus overseas years of study at providers will be increased to £1,385 (or for non-Erasmus overseas years where a designated course is provided by a private provider, £920).

Continuing students who started attending full-time courses before 1 September 2012:

- Students who started their courses before 1 September 2012 who are undertaking an Erasmus study or work placement year in 2017/18 will not be charged fees for that year.
- Maximum fees and fee loans for non-Erasmus overseas years of study will remain at £1,725 in 2017/18 for students who started their courses before 1 September 2012.

3) Fees for students undertaking Sandwich work placement years.

New students and continuing students starting to attend full-time courses on or after 1 September 2012 at providers that have not achieved a TEF rating of Meets Expectations in Year One:

- The maximum fees for Sandwich work placement years will be maintained in 2017/18 at £1,200 or £1,800 where an institution has met conditions on widening participation set by OFFA. These figures are 20% of the maximum fee caps for students who started their courses on or after 1 September 2012.

New students and continuing students starting to attend full-time courses on or after 1 September 2012 at providers that have achieved a TEF rating of Meets Expectations in Year One:

- The maximum fees for Sandwich work placement years will be increased in 2017/18 to £1,230 or to £1,850 where a provider has met conditions on widening participation set by OFFA. These figures are 20% of the maximum fee caps for students who started their courses on or after 1 September 2012.

Fee loans for Sandwich work placement years:

- Maximum fee loans for Sandwich work placement years in 2017/18 will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £1,850 in 2017/18 (or where a designated course is provided by a private provider, to £1,230).

Living Costs Support – New Full-time Students starting their courses in 2017/18.

1) Loans for living costs for new full-time students and continuing full-time students who start attending their full-time courses on or after 1 August 2016. (other than students who qualify for benefits):

- The maximum loan for living costs in 2017/18 for students living away from home and studying outside London will be increased to £8,430, a 2.8% increase (forecast inflation) on the maximum loan for living costs in 2016/17 .
- The maximum loan for living costs for students living away from home and studying in London will be increased to £11,002, a 2.8% increase (forecast inflation) on the maximum loan for living costs available in 2016/17.
- The maximum loan for living costs for students living at home will be increased to £7,097, a 2.8% increase on the maximum loan for living costs available in 2016/17.
- The maximum loan for living costs for students studying overseas as part of their UK course will be increased to £9,654, a 2.8% increase on the maximum loan for living costs package available in 2016/17.

2) Loans for living costs for new full-time students and continuing full-time students who start attending their full-time courses on or after 1 August 2016, who qualify for benefits:

- The maximum loan for living costs in 2017/18 for students living away from home and studying outside London who qualify for benefits will be increased to £9,609, a 2.8% increase (forecast inflation) on the maximum loan for living costs available in 2016/17.
- The maximum loan for living costs in 2017/18 for students living away from home and studying in London who qualify for benefits will be increased to £11,998, a 2.8% increase on the maximum loan for living costs available in 2016/17.
- The maximum loan for living costs for students living at home who qualify for benefits will be increased to £8,372, a 2.8% increase on the maximum loan for living costs available in 2016/17.
- The maximum loan for living costs for students studying overseas as part of their UK course who qualify for benefits will be increased to £10,746, a 2.8% increase on the maximum loan for living costs available in 2016/17.

3) *Loans for living costs for new students and continuing students who start attending full-time courses on or after 1 August 2016 who are aged 60 or over at the start of their course.*

- The maximum loan for living costs in 2017/18 for all full-time students aged 60 or over will be £3,566, a 2.8% increase (forecast inflation) on the maximum loan for living costs available in 2016/17.

Living costs support in 2017/18 – Full-time Students who started attending their full-time courses before 1 August 2016.

1) *Maintenance Grants and Special Support Grant – continuing students who started attending full-time courses on or after 1 September 2012 and before 1 August 2016.*

- The maximum Maintenance Grant in 2017/18 will be increased to £3,482, a 2.8% increase on the maximum grant available in 2016/17.
- The maximum Special Support Grant in 2017/18, which is paid to certain groups of students eligible for benefits in place of the Maintenance Grant, will also be increased to £3,482, a 2.8% increase on the maximum grant available in 2017/18.
- Income thresholds for the maximum grants will be maintained at 2016/17 levels in 2017/18.

2) *Maintenance Grants and Special Support Grant - continuing students who started attending full-time courses before 1 September 2012.*

- The maximum Maintenance Grant in 2017/18 will be increased to £3,197, a 2.8% increase on the maximum grant available in 2016/17.
- The maximum Special Support Grant in 2017/18, which is paid to certain groups of students eligible for benefits, will also be increased to £3,197, a 2.8% increase on the maximum grant available in 2016/17.
- The income thresholds for the maximum grants will be maintained at 2016/17 levels in 2017/18.

3) *Loans for living costs- continuing students who started attending full-time courses on or after 1 September 2012 and before 1 August 2016.*

- The maximum loan for living costs for students living away from home and studying outside London will be increased to £6,043 in 2016/17, an increase of 2.8% (forecast inflation) on the maximum loan for living costs available in 2016/17.
- The maximum loan for living costs for students living away from home and studying in London will be increased to £8,432 in 2017/18, an increase of 2.8% on the maximum loan for living costs available in 2016/17.

- The maximum loan for living costs for students living at home will be increased to £4,806 in 2017/18, an increase of 2.8% on the maximum loan for living costs available in 2016/17.
- The maximum loan for living costs for students living overseas as part of their studies will be increased to £7,180, an increase of 2.8% on the maximum loan for living costs available in 2016/17.
- Income thresholds for maximum loans will be maintained at 2016/17 levels in 2017/18.

4) Loans for living costs - continuing students who started attending full-time courses before 1 September 2012.

- The maximum loan for living costs for students living away from home and studying outside London will be increased to £5,440 in 2017/18, an increase of 2.8% on the maximum loan for living costs available in 2016/17.
- The maximum loan for living costs for students living away from home and studying in London will be increased to £7,611 in 2017/18, an increase of 2.8% on the maximum loan for living costs available in 2016/17.
- The maximum loan for living costs for students living at home will be increased to £4,217 in 2017/18, an increase of 2.8% on the maximum loan for living costs available in 2016/17.
- The maximum loan for living costs for students living overseas as part of their studies will be increased to £6,475 in 2017/18, an increase of 2.8% on the maximum loan for living costs available in 2016/17.
- Income thresholds for maximum loans will be maintained at 2016/17 levels in 2017/18.

Other Living Costs Support – new and continuing students attending full-time courses.

1) Long Courses Loan.

Maximum Long Courses loans (loans for living costs) for full time courses that are longer than 30 weeks and 3 days during the academic year for new and continuing students will be increased by around 2.8% in 2017/18.

- The maximum long courses loan for students living away from home and studying in London will be increased to £116 per week in 2017/18.
- The maximum long courses loan for students living away from home and studying outside London will be increased to £90 per week in 2017/18.
- The maximum long courses loan for students living at home will be increased to £59 per week in 2017/18.
- The maximum long courses loan for students living overseas as part of their studies will be increased to £125 per week in 2017/18.

2) *Reduced rate loans for living costs for new and continuing students undertaking Sandwich work placement years and continuing students undertaking NHS bursary years in 2017/18.*

- The maximum reduced rate loan for living costs for students undertaking a Sandwich work placement year and living away from home and studying in London will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £3,585 in 2017/18.
- The maximum reduced rate loan for living costs for students undertaking a Sandwich work placement and living away from home and studying outside London, or overseas will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £2,553 in 2017/18.
- The maximum reduced rate loan for living costs for students undertaking a Sandwich work placement and living at home will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £1,915 in 2017/18.

Reduced rate loans for continuing students undertaking NHS bursary years in 2017/18 will be maintained at 2016/17 levels.

- The maximum reduced rate loan for living costs for students undertaking a NHS bursary year and living away from home and studying in London will be maintained at £3,263 in 2017/18.
- The maximum reduced rate loan for living costs for students undertaking a NHS bursary year and living away from home and studying outside London, or overseas will be maintained at £2,324 in 2017/18.
- The maximum reduced rate loan for living costs for students undertaking a NHS bursary year and living at home will be maintained at £1,744 in 2017/18.

Other help for full-time students attending their courses in 2017/18.

1) *Grants for Disabled Students.*

- Maximum Disabled Students Allowances (DSAs) will be increased by 2.8% in 2017/18.
- The non-medical helper allowance will be increased to £21,305; the specialist equipment allowance to £5,358; the allowance for other disability related expenditure to £1,790.

2) *Grants for Students with Dependants.*

- The maximum Adult Dependants' Grant will be increased by 2.8% in 2017/18 to £2,834.

- The maximum Childcare Grant will be increased by 2.8% in 2017/18 to: up to £159.59 per week for one child and to £273.60 for two or more children.
- The maximum Parents' Learning Allowance will be increased by 2.8% in 2017/18 to £1,617.
- Maximum income thresholds, where applicable, will be maintained at 2016/17 levels in 2017/18.

Full-time Distance Learning Support Package in 2017/18.

Student undertaking full-time distance learning courses do not qualify for Maintenance Grants, loans for living costs or Dependants Grants.

1) Full-time distance learning fees and fee loans:

New students and eligible continuing students starting to attend full-time courses on or after 1 September 2012:

- For publicly funded providers that have not achieved a TEF rating of Meets Expectations in Year One, maximum fees for full-time distance learning courses will be maintained at £6,000, or at £9,000 where a provider has met conditions on widening participation set by the Office for Fair Access (OFFA)
- For publicly funded providers that have achieved a TEF rating of Meets Expectations in Year One, maximum fees for full-time distance learning courses will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £6,165, or to £9,250 where a provider has met conditions on widening participation set by OFFA.
- Maximum fee loans for full-time distance learning courses at publicly funded providers will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £9,250.
- Maximum fee loans for full-time distance learning courses at private providers that have not achieved a TEF rating of Meets Expectations in Year One will be maintained at £6,000 in 2017/18.
- Maximum fee loans for full-time distance learning courses at private providers that have achieved a TEF rating of Meets Expectations in Year One will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £6,165.

Continuing students who started full-time distance learning courses before 1 September 2012:

- Maximum Fee Grants and Course Grants will be increased by 2.8% in 2017/18. Maximum Fee Grants will be increased to £1,321 and maximum Course Grants will be increased to £288.
- Thresholds for grants will be maintained at 2016/17 levels in 2017/18.

2) Other help:

- Maximum Disabled Students Allowances (DSAs) will be increased by 2.8% in 2017/18.
- The non-medical helper allowance will be increased to £21,305; the specialist equipment allowance to £5,358; the allowance for other disability related expenditure to £1,790.

Part-time Support Package in 2017/18.

1) Part-time fee and fee loans/grants

New students and eligible continuing students starting part-time courses on or after 1 September 2012 (whether they are attending their course or undertaking them by distance learning):

- For publicly funded providers that have **not** achieved a TEF rating of Meets Expectations in Year One, maximum fees for part-time courses will be maintained at £4,500, or at £6,750 where a provider has met conditions on widening participation set by the Office for Fair Access (OFFA).
- For publicly funded providers that have achieved a TEF rating of Meets Expectations in Year One, maximum fees for part-time courses will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £4,625, or to £6,935 where a provider has met conditions on widening participation set by OFFA.
- Maximum fee loans for part-time courses at publicly funded providers will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £6,935.
- Maximum fee loans for part-time full-time courses at private providers that have **not** achieved a TEF rating of Meets Expectations in Year One will be maintained at £4,500.
- Maximum fee loans for part-time courses at private providers that have achieved a TEF rating of Meets Expectations in Year One will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £4,625.

Continuing students who started part-time courses before 1 September 2012 (whether they are attending their course or undertaking them by distance learning):

- Maximum Fee Grants and Course Grants will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) in 2017/18. Maximum fee grants will be increased to £879, £1,054 or £1,321 depending on the intensity of study on the course. Maximum course grants will be increased to £288.
- Thresholds for part-time grants will be maintained at 2016/17 levels in 2017/18.

2) Other help:

- Maximum Disabled Students Allowances (DSAs) will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) in 2017/18.
- The DSA non-medical helper allowance will be increased to £15,978; the specialist equipment allowance to £5,358; the allowance for other disability related expenditure to £1,342.

Postgraduate Support Package in 2017/18.

For new students and continuing students in 2017/18:

- Maximum Disabled Students Allowances (DSAs) will be increased by forecast inflation (2.8%) to £10,652 in 2017/18.

Enquiries:

If you have any queries about the Student Support Regulations, please contact, in the first instance, the Student Finance England Practitioner Support Team – telephone 0300 100 0618; email SSIN_queries@slc.co.uk

ANNEX

Student Finance Arrangements for 2017/18 Academic Year.

Support Package/ Tuition Fees	Changes for 2017/18 support package	Mode of Study	Support Package / Fees for students subject to the pre 2012 student finance arrangements.	Support package / Fees for students subject to the 2012 student finance arrangements.	Support package / Fees for students subject to the 2016 student finance arrangements in 2017/18.
			<p><i>These are most students who started their courses in 2009/10, 2010/11, 2011/12 and August 2012 who are continuing their courses in 2017/18.</i></p>	<p><i>These are eligible students who started their courses on or after 1 September 2012 but before 1st August 2016 who are continuing their courses in 2017/18.</i></p> <p><i>It includes students undertaking 'end on' courses in 2017/18.</i></p>	<p><i>These are eligible students who started their courses from 1st August 2016 onwards.</i></p>
Fees – <i>TEF Rating does <u>not</u> Meet Expectations in Year One.</i>	Maintained at 2016/17 levels	Full-time	Fees and fee loans up to £3,465.	Fees up to £6,000 or up to £9,000 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.	Fees up to £6,000 or up to £9,000 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.
Fees – <i>TEF Rating of Meets Expectatio</i>	Increased by 2.8%	Full-time	Not applicable.	Fees up to £6,165 or up to £9,250 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.	Fees up to £6,165 or up to £9,250 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.

<i>ns in Year One.</i>					
Fee Loans.	Increased by 2.8%	Full-time	Not applicable.	Fee loans up to £9,250.	Fee loans up to £9,250
Fees for Erasmus study and work placement years. <i>-TEF Rating does not Meet Expectations in Year One.</i>	Maintained at 15% cap students starting their courses on or after 1 September 2012.	Full-time	No charge to student. Students not eligible for loans.	Fees up to £900 or up to £1,350 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.	Fees up to £900 or up to £1,350 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.
Fees for Erasmus study and work placement years <i>-TEF Rating of Meets Expectations in Year One.</i>	15% cap students starting their courses on or after 1 September 2012.	Full-time	Not applicable.	Fees up to £920 or up to £1,385 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.	Fees up to £920 or up to £1,385 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.
Fee Loans	15% cap	Full-time	Not applicable	Fee loans up to £1,385	Fee loans up to £1,385

for Erasmus study and work placement years	students starting their courses on or after 1 September 2012.				
Fees for non - Erasmus overseas study years – <i>TEF Rating does not Meet Expectations in Year One.</i>	Maintained at 15% cap for students starting their courses on or after 1 September 2012.	Full-time	Fees up to £1,725.	Fees up to £900 or up to £1,350 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.	Fees up to £900 or up to £1,350 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.
Fees for non - Erasmus overseas study years – <i>TEF Rating of Meets Expectations in Year One.</i>	15% cap for students starting their courses on or after 1 September 2012.	Full-time	Not applicable.	Fees up to £920 or up to £1,385 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.	Fees up to £920 or up to £1,385 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.

Fee loans for non - Erasmus overseas study years	15% cap for students starting their courses on or after 1 September 2012.	Full-time	Fee loans up to £1,725	Fee loans up to £1,385	Fee loans up to £1,385
Fees for sandwich course work placement years –TEF Rating does <u>not</u> Meet Expectations in Year One.	Maintained at 20% cap for students starting their courses on or after 1 September 2012	Sandwich	Fees up to £1,725	Fees up to £1,200 or up to £1,800 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.	Fees up to £1,200 or up to £1,800 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.
Fees for sandwich course work placement years –TEF Rating of Meets	20% cap for students starting their courses on or after 1 September 2012	Sandwich	Not applicable.	Fees up to £1,230 or up to £1,850 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.	Fees up to £1,230 or up to £1,850 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.

<i>Expectations in Year One.</i>					
Fee loans for sandwich course work placement years	20% cap for students starting their courses on or after 1 September 2012	Sandwich	Fee loans up to £1,725	Fee loans up to £1,850	Fee loans up to £1,850
Maintenance Grant / Special Support Grant.	Increased by 2.8%	Full-time	Income assessed Maintenance Grant or Special Support Grant of up to £3,197.	Income assessed Maintenance Grant or Special Support Grant of up to £3,482.	Not applicable.
Loans for living costs.	Increased by 2.8%.	Full-time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - up to £5,440 for students living away from home and studying outside London - up to £7,611 for students living away from home and studying in London - up to £4,217 for students living at Home. - up to £6,475 for students studying overseas as part of their 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - up to £6,043 for students living away from home and studying outside London - up to £8,432 for students living away from home and studying in London - up to £4,806 for students living at Home. - up to £7,180 for students studying overseas as part of their UK course. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - up to £8,430 for students living away from home and studying outside London - up to £11,002 for students living away from home and studying in London - up to £7,097 for students living at Home. - up to £9,654 for students studying overseas as part of their UK course.

			UK course 28% of the Loan will be subject to means-testing.	35% of the Loan will be subject to means-testing.	
Loans for living costs.	Increased by 2.8%.	Full-time students eligible for benefits.	Not applicable.	Not applicable.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - up to £9,609 for students living away from home and studying outside London - up to £11,998 for students living away from home and studying in London - up to £8,372 for students living at Home. - up to £10,746 for students studying overseas as part of their UK course.
Loans for living costs	Increased by 2.8%.	Full-time students aged 60 or over at start of course.	Not applicable	Not applicable.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - up to £3,566
Adult Dependants' Grant, Childcare Grant, Parents' Learning Allowance.	Increased by 2.8%.	Full-time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adult Dependants Grant - up to £2,834 - Childcare Grant – 85% of actual cost up to a maximum of £159.59 per week for one child, and £273.60 per week for two or more children. - Parents Learning Allowance – up to £1,617 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adult Dependants Grant - up to £2,834 - Childcare Grant – 85% of actual cost up to a maximum of £159.59 per week for one child, and £273.60 per week for two or more children. - Parents Learning Allowance – up to £1,617 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adult Dependants Grant - up to £2,834 - Childcare Grant – 85% of actual cost up to a maximum of £159.59 per week for one child, and £273.60 per week for two or more children. - Parents Learning Allowance – up to £1,617

Fee grants and course grants.	Increased by 2.8%	Full-time distance learning.	Means-tested Fee Grant of up to £1,321 and Course Grant of up to £288.	Not applicable.	Not applicable.
Fees - <i>-TEF Rating does <u>not</u> Meet Expectations in Year One.</i>	Maintained at 2016/17 levels.	Full-time distance learning.	Fees up to £3,465.	Fees up to £6,000 or up to £9,000 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.	Fees up to £6,000 or up to £9,000 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.
Fees - <i>-TEF Rating of Meets Expectations in Year One.</i>	Increased by 2.8%.	Full-time distance learning.	Not applicable.	Fees up to £6,165 or up to £9,250 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.	Fees up to £6,165 or up to £9,250 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.
Fee Loans	Increased by 2.8%.	Full-time distance learning.	Fee loans are not available for full-time distance learning courses starting before 1	Fee loans up to £9,250	Fee loans up to £9,250

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Fee grants and course grants.	Increased by 2.8%.	Part-time	Means-tested fee grants of up to £879 (50 -59% intensity), £1,054 (60 - 74% intensity) or £1,321 (75%+ intensity) depending on the intensity of study on the course. Course grant of up to £288.	Not applicable.	Not applicable
Fees – <i>TEF Rating does <u>not</u> Meet Expectations in Year One.</i>	Maintained at 2016/17 levels.	Part-time	Fees for part-time courses that started before September 2012 will remain unregulated.	Fees for tuition of up to £4,500 or up to £6,750 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.	Fees for tuition of up to £4,500 or up to £6,750 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.
Fees – <i>TEF Rating of Meets Expectations in Year One.</i>	Increased by 2.8%.	Part-time	Not applicable.	Fees for tuition of up to £4,625 or up to £6,935 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.	Fees for tuition of up to £4,625 or up to £6,935 where OFFA has approved a HEI access plan.
Fee loans	Increased by 2.8%.	Part-time	Fee loans are not available for part-time courses starting before 1 September 2012.	Fee loans up to £6,935	Fee loans up to £6,935

<p>Disabled Students' Allowances.</p>	<p>Increased by 2.8%</p>	<p>Full time, part time, full time distance learning, postgraduate.</p>	<p><i>Full-time and full-time distance learning:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - up to £21,305 (non-medical helper) - up to £5,358 (specialist equipment) - up to £1,790 (other disability related expenditure). <p><i>Part-time:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - up to £15,978 (non-medical helper) - up to £5,358 (specialist equipment) - up to £1,342 (other disability related expenditure). <p><i>Postgraduate:</i></p> <p>-up to £10,652</p>	<p><i>Full-time and full-time distance learning:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - up to £21,305 (non-medical helper) - up to £5,358 (specialist equipment) - up to £1,790 (other disability related expenditure). <p><i>Part-time:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - up to £15,978 (non-medical helper) - up to £5,358 (specialist equipment) - up to £1,342 (other disability related expenditure). <p><i>Postgraduate:</i></p> <p>-up to £10,652</p>	<p><i>Full-time and full-time distance learning:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - up to £21,305 (non-medical helper) - up to £5,358 (specialist equipment) - up to £1,790 (other disability related expenditure). <p><i>Part-time:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - up to £15,978 (non-medical helper) - up to £5,358 (specialist equipment) - up to £1,342 (other disability related expenditure). <p><i>Postgraduate:</i></p> <p>-up to £10,652</p>
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