Funding for Secondary Initial Teacher Training
Including PGCE and School Direct (non-salaried)

This factsheet contains information for Home students entering in September 2016

If you require this document in an alternative format, please contact Financial Support:
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e: financialsupport@nottingham.ac.uk

Please note, the information on this sheet is only relevant to students with “Home status” and who usually live in England. Other UK and international students should check eligibility details with The National College for Teaching & Leadership. Other UK nationals should also check with Student Finance Wales, Northern Ireland, or Student Awards Agency for Scotland (SAAS) for details of eligibility for funding for tuition fees and living costs.

**Tuition fees**

The tuition fee for full-time Home students on the PGCE and School Direct (non-salaried) courses is £9,000 for the 2016/17 academic year. You can apply for a Tuition Fee Loan from Student Finance England to cover this cost in full.

**Living costs**

**ITT Bursary from The National College for Teaching & Leadership, part of the Department for Education** – Students may be entitled to a tax free ITT Bursary, the amount you receive depends on your previous qualification(s) and the subject you specialise in. The 2016/17 bursaries are as follows:

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<th>ITT subject area</th>
<th>Trainee with-First/PhD</th>
<th>2:1/Masters</th>
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<th>Other*</th>
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* Trainee teachers in maths and physics, with a relevant degree and at least a B at A level in maths or physics (or equivalent) will be eligible for a bursary of £9,000, if not entitled to a higher bursary based on degree class.

The University’s School of Education will arrange payment of the ITT Bursary directly into your bank account. Bursaries up to and including £12,000 will be paid in ten equal monthly instalments, October...
to July. The £15,000 and above bursaries will be part paid as monthly instalments, with two enhanced payments in February and July or in the final month of your course.

Prospective students are sent an enrolment pack in July before the course starts; this will contain a bank details form which needs to be completed with your bank account number, sort code and bank address in order for your ITT Bursary to be paid.

**Maths, Chemistry, Physics and Computing Scholarships from the DfE**
The Department for Education (DfE) also offers scholarships worth £25,000 to trainee teachers in Maths, Chemistry, and Computing and £30,000 for Physics.

Further details are available on the DfE’s Get Into Teaching website
[www.education.gov.uk/get-into-teaching](http://www.education.gov.uk/get-into-teaching)

Successful Scholarship applicants will receive the Scholarship instead of an ITT Bursary. Unsuccessful Scholarship applicants will still be eligible for an ITT Bursary as described on the previous page.

**Student Loans Company support for living costs**

**Student Loan for living costs** – the maximum loan for 2016/17 is £8,200 (£6,904 if you are living with your parents). A percentage of the loan £3,821 (£3,039 if you are living with your parents) is awarded regardless of household income; the remainder is means tested.

**Maintenance or Special Support Grant** – From 2016/17 maintenance grants are no longer offered as part of the student funding package. If you are a student who is entitled to benefits, while you are studying, you could be offered an increased loan of up to £9,347

PGCE and School Direct (tuition fee) students, who meet the eligibility criteria, can also apply for additional allowances, such as the Childcare Grant, Parents Learning Allowance and Adult Dependants’ Grant. For further information on the support available through the Government visit [www.gov.uk/studentfinance](http://www.gov.uk/studentfinance) or call 0300 100 0607.

**Disabled Students’ Allowance (DSA)** – Home students who have a disability may be eligible to receive funding to help with extra costs incurred whilst attending their course which are a result of their disability. Advice is available from the University’s Disability Support team, and on their website – see Useful Contacts.

You apply for student loans, grants and additional allowances at: [www.gov.uk/studentfinance](http://www.gov.uk/studentfinance)

**Please note:** Students studying courses through the SCITT Programme (where the school attended, rather than the University, is the main course provider) are not eligible for additional financial support from the University of Nottingham as detailed overleaf. The School is also the contact point for any Student Finance related query, not the University.
Bursaries from The University of Nottingham

University Core Bursary
PGCE and School Direct (tuition fee) students may be eligible for the University’s Core Bursary. Awards are made based on household income, as assessed by Student Finance AND the amount of ITT Bursary or Scholarship received.

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<th>Income bands (household income + ITT Bursary)</th>
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Nottingham Potential Bursary
The Potential Bursary offers £1,000 per year for students who meet at least one of the following eligibility criteria:

- Students with adult or child dependents AND with a household income, as assessed by Student Finance, of £35,000 or below
- Students who have been in local authority care for at least three months AND are aged under 25 at the start of the course

Credits and Benefits

Benefits, Universal Credit and Council Tax
If you are a lone parent, disabled student or a student couple with children, The Department for Work and Pensions will expect you to apply for all the student financial support you are entitled to, before assessing you for tax credits and benefits.

Child Tax Credits (CTC) – Students with children under 16 (or under 18 in certain circumstances) can currently continue to claim CTC. We advise you to inform the Inland Revenue that you are going into full-time education. Maximum CTC will entitle you to free school meals for children, as well as help with NHS costs, such as prescriptions.

Universal Credit has started to replace six existing benefits with a single monthly payment for those out of work or on a low income. Universal Credit will eventually replace:

- Housing Benefit
- Income-based Jobseeker’s Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Income Support
- Working Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit

Universal Credit was introduced on 29 April 2013 in selected areas of Greater Manchester and Cheshire. It will be gradually rolled out to the rest of the UK and is expected to be completed by 2017. For more information go to: [www.gov.uk/universalcredit](http://www.gov.uk/universalcredit)

Council Tax – Full-time students are exempt from Council Tax. Students should inform their local council of their student status. Where this leaves one eligible person in a household a 25% Council Tax discount may be claimed. For more information please go to the University’s Student Services Centre web pages and select ‘Documents and letters’ [www.nottingham.ac.uk/ssc](http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/ssc).

Please contact the Student Advice Centre for more details on benefits and your entitlement – see Useful Contacts.
Useful contacts

National contacts

The National College for Teaching & Leadership, part of the Department for Education
Advice on ITT Bursaries and ways into teaching
t: +44 (0)800 389 2500
w: www.education.gov.uk/get-into-teaching

Gov.UK
Advice and information on all aspects of student finance including eligibility, entitlements and how to apply for funding through Student Finance.
w: www.gov.uk/studentfinance

Student Loans Company
Information relating to Student Loans.
w: www.slc.co.uk

Her Majesty’s Revenue and Customs (HMRC)
Information on tax credits eligibility and application procedures.
w: www.hmrc.gov.uk

National Union of Students (NUS)
Advice and guidance on all aspects of student life.
w: www.nus.org.uk

University contacts

School of Education
The University of Nottingham, Jubilee Campus, Wollaton Road, Nottingham, NG8 1BB
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w: www.nottingham.ac.uk/education

Financial Support, Student Services Centre
Advice on all aspects of student finance including Student Loans, Government grants, University scholarships, bursaries and support funds.
t: +44 (0)115 823 2071
e: financialsupport@nottingham.ac.uk
w: www.nottingham.ac.uk/financialsupport

Academic Support and Disability Support, Student Services Centre
Study support, support for students with dyslexia, dyspraxia and other specific learning difficulties and disabilities.
t: +44 (0)115 823 2070 or +44 (0)115 951 3710
e: dyslexia-support@nottingham.ac.uk or disability-support@nottingham.ac.uk
w: www.nottingham.ac.uk/studentservices

University of Nottingham Students’ Union
Student Advice Centre
A confidential service available to all University of Nottingham students, giving advice and information on a range of matters, such as housing, money and academic issues.
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e: SUAdvice@nottingham.ac.uk
w: www.su.nottingham.ac.uk/helpadvice

All information was correct at the time of writing and is based on data from the Department for Education, Gov.UK, The University of Nottingham and the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills.

We make every effort to ensure the accuracy of the information we provide however it can only give general guidance. We would always advise you to contact the relevant funding bodies referenced in relation to your specific circumstances.

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