

Diagnostic Assessment Cost Support Fund Guidance Notes

Am I eligible for financial help for the costs of my diagnostic assessment?

Home fee status students who are undertaking an undergraduate* course may be eligible for financial help with the cost of a diagnostic assessment necessary in relation to Specific Learning Difficulties. Help may be available if your circumstances mean that you will find it difficult to pay for such an assessment.

*including Graduate Entry Medicine, PGCE, Graduate Entry Nursing.

Students whose household income has been assessed by student finance or NHS bursaries as £35,000 or less may be eligible for help towards the cost of a diagnostic assessment. Please indicate this on the form. If you have been assessed by student finance no evidence is required. If you have been assessed by NHS bursaries please upload your letter of entitlement for the 2023/24 academic year.

Home fee status students who don't meet this criteria, but who are in financial hardship, can submit an application to the Student Hardship Fund. Please mention that you need to pay for a diagnostic assessment in the supporting statement, and the cost will be taken into consideration in the assessment.

<https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/student-services/support/financial-support/support-funds/index.aspx>

When is the closing date for the Diagnostic Assessment Cost support fund and when will I know if I've been made an award?

Course end date May - Aug 2024: application deadline Friday 15 December 2023

Course end date Sep – Dec 2024: application deadline Thursday 28 March 2024

Course end date Jan 2025 onwards: Friday 21 June 2024

You will receive an online acknowledgement of submission. If you do not receive an acknowledgement, please contact the Funding & Financial Support Team prior to the application deadline. We cannot deal with queries relating to lost applications received after this deadline.

Applications will be assessed from 2nd October 2023. Students should expect to hear the outcome within 3 weeks of this date, or within 3 weeks of application if applied for after the start of the academic year.

How to appeal

If you are unhappy with the outcome of your application you should initially contact the Funding and Financial Support team to discuss your concerns (see contact details below).

If after an explanation of the assessment you believe there has been an error or procedural inconsistency and you wish to appeal you can follow our appeals process as detailed on our webpage - [nottingham.ac.uk/student-services/support/financial-support/Appeals.aspx](https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/student-services/support/financial-support/Appeals.aspx)

Additional financial help

If you've got a question or concern about money or student finance you can raise a query in the Student Enquiry Centre or contact us at 0115 74 86500 - Option 4 .

Students facing financial difficulties may be eligible to apply for further help through The Student Hardship Fund. An online application form and further details can be found on our website at [nottingham.ac.uk/studentservices/financialsupport/index.aspx](https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/studentservices/financialsupport/index.aspx) .

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<https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/edi/equality-diversity-and-inclusion.aspx>

If you have any questions about your application in relation to EDI issues then please contact the Funding and Financial Support team.