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

Home fee status students who are undertaking an undergraduate or postgraduate 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.

Undergraduates/Graduate Entry Medicine Students/PGCE students/Graduate Entry Nursing Students (NB students in this category should answer questions on the form as ‘Undergraduate’.)

Undergraduate students whose household income has been assessed by student finance or NHS bursaries as £35000 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 this academic year.

Postgraduates

To be eligible for consideration Postgraduate students and Part time undergraduate students (2017 or earlier start) must meet the following criteria:

- Single students—where we assess income as £2,200 per calendar month or less, and with savings of less than £3000.

- Students who live with a partner—where we assess income as £2,350 per calendar month or less, and with savings of less than £3000.

Completing the application form

Applicants should complete the online form and provide the following supporting evidence:

- Latest 2 months bank statements for all accounts in your name and (if applicable) your partner’s name
- evidence of any funding relevant to your course (e.g. student loan, scholarship etc)
- evidence of any income for you and your partner (if applicable) e.g. wage slips for the last 2 months
- evidence of any benefits e.g. universal credit, tax credits, etc.

Supporting documentation

It is essential that all necessary supporting documentation is sent with your application form. Applications that do not have supporting documents are incomplete and cannot be processed.

All applicants must send the following, where applicable:-

- Most recent 2 months bank statements for all accounts (including savings) in your name and your partner’s name (if applicable). Statements should show a running balance and account holder’s name.
- Evidence of income received for you and your partner (if applicable) e.g. student finance
notification letter, benefits information, latest 2 months wage slips (we do not need evidence of stipend if paid from the University.)

**When is the closing date and when will I know if I’ve been made an award?**

Course end date May - Aug 2022: application deadline Friday 17 December 2021  
Course end date Sep – Dec 2022: application deadline Friday 8 April 2022  
Course end date Jan 2023 onwards: Friday 17 June 2022

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 1st October. 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/studentservices/support/financialsupport/Appeals.aspx

Funding & Financial Support  
financialsupport@nottingham.ac.uk  
0115 823 2071

**Additional financial help**

If you’ve got a question or concern about money or student finance why not call the team on 0115 823 2071 or contact us at financialsupport@nottingham.ac.uk

Home students facing financial difficulties can 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.

**Equality, Diversity and Inclusion.**

The University of Nottingham is committed to Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) for our student and staff community. For more information please see our Equality, Diversity and Inclusion web
If you have any questions about your application in relation to EDI issues then please contact the Funding and Financial Support team.

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