



Funding information for UG students who withdraw from University

If you require this document in an alternative format, please contact Financial Support:
+44 (0)115 823 2071
Student Enquiry Centre: <https://student-enquiries.nottingham.ac.uk>

This factsheet provides financial information for UK 'home' undergraduate students.

Once you submit a withdrawal request to Student Services, your student record will be updated, and a notification will be sent to Student Finance. It can take a few weeks for these notifications to be processed.

As soon as you withdraw from the University, irrespective of the reason for withdrawal, you are no longer entitled to any student funding. Student Finance will use your last date of engagement to recalculate your entitlement. If you have received an overpayment, they will contact you and request that you make arrangements to pay the funds back.

What about tuition fees?

If you withdraw part way through the year then you may still have to pay part or full tuition fee. Your eligibility for the fee loan will depend on your last date of engagement.

- At Nottingham you will not be charged any fee if you are a **NEW** student (a new student, not new to your course) and withdraw within the first three weeks of the academic year. **Continuing** students become liable for 25% of the fee on Term 1, day 1.
- If you withdraw from your course during the academic year there are key points where you become liable for a percentage of the fee, and if eligible, you will be able to have a tuition fee loan to cover the appropriate fee:
 - Term 1, day 1 (or see new students above) – 25% of the fee
 - Term 2, day 1 – 50% of the fee
 - Term 3, day 1 – 100% of the fee

(See www.nottingham.ac.uk/fees for full fee tables.)

If you return to higher education at a later date, even if you only attended University for one day before withdrawing, your time before withdrawal would still be counted as a year of study by student finance for your eligibility calculation. For more information about previous study rules and the gift year, please see the 'previous study' factsheet.

Eligibility for Benefits

Once you have withdrawn from University, you may immediately become eligible for benefits, including job seekers allowance or universal credit.

For more information, please see the gov.uk website: -
gov.uk/jobseekers-allowance



Already signed a housing contract?

If you have signed a contract for a room/house then you are legally bound to pay rent as agreed. If you are successful in finding work, or have sufficient family financial support, then this may not be a problem.

If you know that you are going to struggle to pay the rent try to find a replacement tenant as soon as possible. If you can, talk to your housemates and explain what is happening; they may know of someone who would be happy to move in.

Visit the Student Union's Advice team, Portland Building or telephone +44 (0)115 84 68730 for advice.

Do I need to pay council tax?

Once you are no longer a student, you will become liable for council tax. If you live alone or with other students you may be eligible to apply for a discount. You should contact your local council for more information.

Will this impact on my eligibility for funding for future years of study?

Every eligible student is entitled to funding for the length of their course plus one year to use for a period of repeat study. This extra year is sometimes referred to as a 'Gift Year'.

All years of study, even if self-funded, are deducted from this entitlement. Any part-year attendance is counted as a full year within the entitlement calculation so, if you interrupt your studies a few days after the start of the academic year, you will still have used one year of your funding entitlement. This is also true for first year students who interrupt within the first 3 weeks of their course.

If you have already used the gift year funding, due to interruption or previous study on a different course, you may have to self-fund part or all of a new course.

If self-funding you would not be eligible for the Tuition Fee Loan but you would be eligible to apply for the Maintenance Loan (which can still be means-tested), DSA support and supplementary grants such as Parents Learning Allowance, Adult Dependant Grant and Childcare Grant (if applicable).

If you have a means-tested assessment carried out by Student Finance you may also be eligible to apply for the University Core Bursary (if studying at the University of Nottingham).

If you have already used your gift year of funding, you may be able to apply for additional funded years due to 'compelling personal reasons' (e.g. if you interrupted or withdrew due to health reasons.) For more information please see our 'Compelling Personal Reasons' factsheet.

If you are studying on a NHS funded course your entitlement to funding will not be the same as if you were funded by Student Finance. Please contact the NHS Bursaries team for clarification on +44 (0)300 330 1345



Useful contacts

National contacts

Student Finance England
gov.uk/studentfinance
44 (0)300 100 0607

Student Finance Wales
studentfinancewales.co.uk
+44 (0)300 200 4050

Student Finance NI
studentfinancenl.co.uk
+44 (0)300 100 0077

Student Awards Agency for Scotland
saas.gov.uk
+44 (0)300 555 0505

Student Loans Company
Information relating to Student Loans.
slc.co.uk

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

University contacts

Funding and Financial Support, Student Services
Advice on all aspects of student finance including Student Loans, Government grants, University scholarships, bursaries and support funds.
+44 (0)115 82 32071
Student Enquiry Centre: <https://student-enquiries.nottingham.ac.uk>
nottingham.ac.uk/financialsupport

Disability Support Services, Student Services
Study support for students with dyslexia, dyspraxia, other specific learning differences, disabilities or long term medical conditions
+44 (0)115 82 32070
disability-support-services@nottingham.ac.uk
nottingham.ac.uk/student-services

The University of Nottingham Students' Union 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.
+44 (0)115 84 68730
SUAdvice@nottingham.ac.uk
su.nottingham.ac.uk/advice

Student Administration
Student Service Centres
+44 (0)115 748 6500
nottingham.ac.uk/student-services

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

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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