Funding for Graduate Entry Nursing (GEN)

New home students entering from September 2019/20 (January 2020)

If you require this document in an alternative format, please contact Funding and Financial Support:
+44 (0)115 823 2071
financialsupport@nottingham.ac.uk

Please note, the information on this sheet is only relevant to students with ‘home status’ who usually live in England. Other UK students should check with their funding body for details of eligibility – see useful contacts.

**IMPORTANT** - You need to apply for ‘undergraduate’ funding rather than postgraduate.

**Funding from the Student Loans Company/Student Finance England**

**Tuition fees**
The University will charge a tuition fee of £9,250 in the 2019/20 academic year (your Year 1) and may be subject to an inflationary increase in future years, if allowed by Government.

Eligible students will be able to access a tuition fee loan from Student Finance to cover the cost of the tuition fee. This is paid to the University by the Student Loans Company.

**Living costs**
Eligible students will be able to access a means tested maintenance loan of up to £8,944 from Student Finance for each academic year - £4,168 of the loan is available without means testing. You receive a reduced amount of loan if you live with your parents while you are studying.

Apply for this funding at [gov.uk/studentfinance](http://gov.uk/studentfinance)

**Supplementary grants** – depending on your circumstances:

- **Childcare Grant** – This means-tested grant is available to students with dependent children aged 15 or under (or 17 and under for children with special educational needs) on the first day of the academic year. This allowance may pay up to 85% of actual childcare costs up to a maximum of £169.31 per week for one child and £290.27 per week for two or more children.
- **Adult Dependant Grant** – This is a means tested grant for students with an adult family member who depends on them financially; a maximum of £3,007 per year.
- **Parents Learning Allowance** – This means tested allowance, of up to £1,716, is to help with course-related costs such as books, photocopying and materials.
- **Disabled Students’ Allowance (DSA)** – Home students who have a disability may be eligible to receive funding to help with extra costs incurred while attending their course which are a result of their disability. Advice is available from the University’s Disability Support team – see University contacts on page 3.

**Funding from the NHS**

**NHS Learning Support Fund**
You may be entitled to additional funding from the NHS Learning Support Fund from the NHS;
• **Child Dependant’s Allowance** – If you meet the eligibility criteria and have eligible child dependants you can apply to the NHS Business Services Authority (NHSBSA) for this allowance, which is a non means tested, non-repayable grant of £1,000 per year;

• **Travel and accommodation costs relating to practice placements** – Eligible students will be entitled to claim travel costs incurred over and above daily travel costs to University. The costs must be related to essential practice placements. Students, with dual accommodation costs for their practice placement period, can claim £55 per night for commercial accommodation such as a hotel or bed and breakfast, and £25 per night for non-commercial accommodation, such as staying with friends or family;

• **Exceptional Support Fund** - Eligible students facing severe financial hardship, having exhausted all other available sources of funding, including the University’s Support Funds, will be able to apply for additional funding.

For more information and to apply please go to [nhsbsa.nhs.uk/student-services](http://nhsbsa.nhs.uk/student-services)

### Bursaries from the University of Nottingham

**University Core Bursary**
Graduate Entry Nursing students are eligible for the University’s Core Bursary. Awards are made based on household income, as assessed by Student Finance.

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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

For more information please see [nottingham.ac.uk/financialsupport](http://nottingham.ac.uk/financialsupport)

**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% discount may be claimed.

### Tax credits and benefits

**Lone parents, disabled students, student couples with children** – The Department for Work and Pensions will expect you to apply for all the student support you are entitled to before assessing entitlement to benefits.

**Child tax credits (CTC)** - Students with children under 16 (or under 18 in certain circumstances) can continue to claim CTC. We advise you to inform the Inland Revenue 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.
Useful contacts

**National contacts**

**Gov.UK**  
Advice and information on all aspects of student finance including eligibility, entitlements and how to apply for the Student Loan via Student Finance England.  
[gov.uk/studentfinance](gov.uk/studentfinance)

**Student Loans Company**  
Information relating to Student Loans.  
[slc.co.uk](slc.co.uk)

**NHS Business Services Authority**  
Advice on all elements of finance for NHS funded study.  
+44 (0)300 330 1345  
[nhsbsa.nhs.uk/students](nhsbsa.nhs.uk/students)

**Her Majesty’s Revenue and Customs (HMRC)**  
Information on tax credits eligibility and application procedures.  
[hmrc.gov.uk](hmrc.gov.uk)

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

**University contacts**

**School of Health Sciences**  
The University of Nottingham, B Floor, Queen’s Medical Centre, Nottingham, NG7 2HA  
shs-enquiries@nottingham.ac.uk  
[nottingham.ac.uk/nursing](nottingham.ac.uk/nursing)

**Funding & 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  
financialsupport@nottingham.ac.uk  
[nottingham.ac.uk/financialsupport](nottingham.ac.uk/financialsupport)

**Accessibility, Student Services**  
Study support, support for students with dyslexia, dyspraxia and other specific learning difficulties and disabilities.  
+44 (0)115 82 32070 or  
+44 (0)115 95 15992  
dyslexia-support@nottingham.ac.uk or disability-support@nottingham.ac.uk  
[nottingham.ac.uk/studentservices](nottingham.ac.uk/studentservices)

**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](su.nottingham.ac.uk/advice)

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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