



Previous Study

If you require this document in an alternative format, please contact the Funding and Financial Support team:

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Student Enquiry Centre: <https://student-enquiries.nottingham.ac.uk>

This factsheet is intended for English, Home, Undergraduate students who have already completed some study at degree level before starting a new undergraduate degree, but who haven't completed a qualification. If you already have a degree, please refer to the 'ELQ' factsheet.

Courses funded via Student Finance England (SFE)

Every eligible student is entitled to funding for the length of their course plus 1 year to use for any repeat study. This extra year is sometimes referred to as the 'Gift Year'.

Any previous study, even if it was self-funded, is removed from this entitlement and any part-year attendance is counted as a full year within the calculation. For example, if you completed year 1 of a course but then interrupted or suspended your studies a few weeks into your second year, you would be deemed to have had 2 years of previous study.

A calculation is used to determine funding eligibility, as follows :

$$\text{(Duration of Course) + 1 - (Previous Study) = Entitlement}$$

So, if you have completed 2 years of a degree before starting a new 3 year undergraduate degree your entitlement to funding would be calculated as follows:

$$3 + 1 - 2 = 2 \text{ years remaining entitlement}$$

SFE will allocate the funding to the final years of the course (in this case years 2 and 3). In the other year/s (year 1 in this example) you would not be eligible for a tuition fee loan. You would still be eligible to apply for a Maintenance Loan, including the means-tested element, DSA support and supplementary grants such as Parents Learning Allowance, Adult Dependents Grant and Childcare Grant (where relevant).

If you have a means-tested assessment carried out you may also be eligible to receive the University Core Bursary.

If you have to repeat study due to 'Compelling Personal Reasons' or 'CPR' (e.g. ill health, disability) you may be able to apply to SFE to be funded for more than your standard entitlement by requesting additional years' funding due to CPR. For more information, please refer to our CPR factsheet.



Courses previously funded by the NHS

BSc Midwifery; BSc Nursing; Master of Nutrition (Dietetics); BSc Physiotherapy

If you have already studied for an undergraduate degree that was funded via SFE, but you now wish to study for one of the above, you will still be eligible to apply for a tuition fee loan and maintenance loan, plus any supplementary grants you are entitled to; eg childcare grant

Students who previously received NHS funding but withdrew from the course

You will not be eligible to receive funding from the NHS when you commence your new course but you may be eligible to apply for funding through SFE.

Students resuming on their original NHS course (following interruption)

Funding can continue subject to the maximum funding available for the course, including any extension or repeat funding. If you require additional funding above the standard timeframe you must receive approval from the university and the LETB before further funding will be considered. Once approval is obtained a new application may need to be completed on BOSS.

Reduced Rate Student Loan

Students who are eligible for a means-tested NHS bursary will continue to be eligible for a Reduced Rate Student Loan from Student Finance.

More information on the changes to previously NHS funded courses can be found here:

[gov.uk/government/publications/nhs-bursary-reform/nhs-bursary-reform](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/nhs-bursary-reform/nhs-bursary-reform)



Useful contacts

National contacts

Gov.UK

Advice and information on all aspects of student finance including eligibility, entitlements and how to apply for Student Loans

gov.uk/studentfinance

Student Loans Company

Information relating to Student Loans including repayment

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

Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs (HMRC)

Information on tax credits eligibility and application procedures.

hmrc.gov.uk

National Union of Students (NUS)

Advice and guidance on all aspects of student life.

nus.org.uk

University contacts

Admissions Office

44 (0)115 951 4749

nottingham.ac.uk/admissions

Funding & Financial Support, Student Services

Advice on all aspects of student finance including Student Loans, Government grants, University scholarships, bursaries and support funds.

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Disability Support Services

Study support, support for students with dyslexia, dyspraxia and other specific learning difficulties and disabilities.

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The University of Nottingham Students' Union Advice Centre

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