



Funding for Secondary Initial Teacher Training Including PGCE and School Direct (non-salaried)

This factsheet contains information for Home students entering in September 2021

If you require this document in an alternative format, please contact Funding and Financial Support:
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Please note, the information on this sheet is relevant only to students with "Home status" who usually live in England. Other UK and international students should check eligibility details with The National College for Teaching & Leadership. Other UK nationals should also check with Student Finance Wales, Northern Ireland, or Student Awards Agency for Scotland (SAAS), as applicable, for details of eligibility for funding for tuition fees and living costs.

Living costs – ITT Bursaries

Bursaries and scholarships are available to trainees on a tuition fee-based teacher training course in England that leads to the award of qualified teacher status. Awards are dependent on the trainees highest relevant academic award and the ITT subject.

Bursaries are available to trainees with a first, 2:1, 2:2, Master's or PhD.

Trainees in chemistry, computing, maths and physics are able to apply for a teacher training scholarship with the appropriate professional body. A scholarship is awarded in place of a bursary.

The table below shows the bursaries or scholarships which may be available, depending on your specialism:

	Bursary	Scholarship
Chemistry	£24,000	£26,000
Computing	£24,000	£26,000
Maths	£24,000	£26,000
Physics	£24,000	£26,000
Classics	£10,000	-
Languages	£10,000	-
Biology	£7,000	-

For more full criteria and more information please see getintoteaching.education.gov.uk or www.gov.uk/teacher-training-funding



The University's School of Education will arrange payment of the ITT Bursary or scholarship directly into your bank account. Bursaries or scholarships up to and including £26,000 will be paid in ten equal monthly instalments, October to July.

You will need to make sure your UK bank account is registered with the University in the MyNottingham portal and that a bank account is enrolled in "Direct Deposit", to be able to receive payment of the bursary, more information about how to do this can be found here:

nottingham.ac.uk/CurrentStudents/Documents/Student-Services/Adding-a-Bank-Account.pdf

Student Loans Company support for living costs

Student Loan for living costs – the maximum loan for 2021/22 is £9,488 (£7,987 if you are living with your parents). A percentage of the loan £4,422 (£3,516 if you are living with your parents) is awarded regardless of household income; the remainder is means tested.

Additional maintenance loan – If you are a student who is entitled to benefits, while you are studying, you could be offered an increased loan of up to £10,815

PGCE and School Direct (tuition fee) students, who meet the eligibility criteria, can also apply for additional allowances, such as the **Childcare Grant**, **Parents Learning Allowance** and **Adult Dependants' Grant**. For further information on the support available through the Government visit gov.uk/studentfinance or call +44 (0)300 100 0607.

Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA) – Home students who have a disability may be eligible to receive funding to help with extra costs incurred whilst attending their course which are a result of their disability. Advice is available from the University's Disability Support team, and on their website – see Useful Contacts.

You apply for student loans, grants and additional allowances at:

gov.uk/studentfinance

Tuition fees

The tuition fee for full-time Home students on the PGCE and School Direct (non-salaried) courses is likely to be £9,250 for the 2021/22 academic year. You can apply for a Tuition Fee Loan from Student Finance England to cover this cost in full.

Please note *Students studying courses through the **SCITT Programme** (where the School/Academy (eg EMTTP or Torch) is the main course provider, rather than the University) should apply for funding from Student Finance using the School/Academy as the institution they are studying at. They will also be the contact point for any Student Finance query.*

Salaried School Direct and SCITT students (or students on any similar course where the University of Nottingham is not the main training provider) are not eligible for additional financial support from the University of Nottingham.



Bursaries from The University of Nottingham

University Core Bursary

PGCE students may be eligible for the University's Core Bursary. Awards are made based on household income, as assessed by Student Finance. (We do not include the amount of ITT Bursary or Scholarship received).

Income bands (household income)	Award level
Up to £35,000	£1,000

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

Credits and Benefits

Benefits, Universal Credit and Council Tax

If you are a lone parent, disabled student or a student couple with children, The Department for Work and Pensions will expect you to apply for all the student financial support you are entitled to, before assessing you for benefits.

Universal Credit has replaced six existing benefits with a single monthly payment for those out of work or on a low income. Universal Credit will eventually replace:

- Housing Benefit
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Income Support
- Working Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit

For more information go to: gov.uk/universalcredit

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% Council Tax discount may be claimed. For more information please go to the University's Student Services Centre web pages and select 'Documents and letters': nottingham.ac.uk/ssc

Please contact the Student Union's Advice Centre for more details on benefits and your entitlement – see Useful Contacts.



Useful contacts

National contacts

Department for Education

Advice on ITT Bursaries and ways into teaching

t: +44 (0)800 38 92500

w: education.gov.uk/get-into-teaching

Gov.UK

Advice and information on all aspects of student finance including eligibility, entitlements and how to apply for funding through Student Finance.

w: gov.uk/studentfinance

Student Loans Company

Information relating to Student Loans.

w: slc.co.uk

Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs (HMRC)

Information on tax credits eligibility and application procedures.

w: hmrc.gov.uk

National Union of Students (NUS)

Advice and guidance on all aspects of student life.

w: nus.org.uk

University contacts

School of Education

The University of Nottingham, Jubilee Campus, Wollaton Road, Nottingham, NG8 1BB

t: +44 (0)115 95 15559

w: nottingham.ac.uk/education

Funding & Financial Support, Student Services

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

t: +44 (0)115 82 32071

e: financialsupport@nottingham.ac.uk

w: nottingham.ac.uk/financialsupport

Disability Support Services, Student Services

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

t: +44 (0)115 82 32070 **or**

+44 (0)115 74 86500

e: disability-support-services@nottingham.ac.uk

w: nottingham.ac.uk/student-services

University of Nottingham Students' Union Student 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.

t: +44 (0)115 84 68730

e: SUAdvice@nottingham.ac.uk

w: su.nottingham.ac.uk/helpadvice

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

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.