



Funding for a period of study or work abroad

Undergraduate courses only

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 who are taking a period of study or work abroad that forms a compulsory part of their course. Other UK nationals should 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.

Tuition fee and fee loan 2019/20*

	2016 starters	2017 or 2018 starters
Study abroad for a full academic year including Erasmus Year	£1,350	£1,385
Abroad for one Semester only	£6,300	£6,480
Work placement abroad (not part of Erasmus scheme)	£1,350	£1,385

*Refer to nottingham.ac.uk/fees for up to date fees

Applying for the tuition fee loan from Student Finance (SF)

When completing your application for your tuition fee loan we recommend that you do the following. If you require the maximum fee loan please tick the appropriate box, and also tick to allow the University to change the fee and fee loan amount.

We are only able to advise one tuition fee amount per course, per year to SF, so it is possible that the fee that appears to you during the funding application process is higher than you are expecting to pay. As long as you tick the boxes (as advised above) the University will be able to advise the correct fee once it has been confirmed that you have gone abroad. Please note, if you are going abroad for Semester 2 only, this means the University will not advise the amended fee to SF until February/March time.

Maintenance loan

The maintenance loan rates are slightly higher when you study abroad, unless you are on a work placement abroad that is not part of the Erasmus scheme.

	Maximum loan – means tested	Non means tested loan
Erasmus study or work abroad	£10,242	£4,951
Study abroad – Exchange	£10,242	£4,951
Work placement abroad (not part of Erasmus scheme)	£2,709 (reduced rate loan)	£2,709 (reduced rate loan)



Erasmus scheme

If you are taking part in the Erasmus scheme you are eligible to apply for the full funding package and be means-tested (if relevant) for your maintenance support from Student Finance. You may also receive an Erasmus Grant.

If you are on a work placement, the fact that you are taking part in the Erasmus scheme overrides the fact that you are working. Therefore you can be assessed for the full package of financial support rather than the reduced rate maintenance loan.

Telling Student Finance that you are going abroad

When completing your funding application for the relevant year it is important you tell Student Finance (SF) that you will be abroad. You do this by indicating where you will be in each term. If you are studying abroad for Semester 1 please indicate that you will be abroad in Term 1, but back at University in Terms 2 and 3.

If you are studying abroad in Semester 2 you should advise studying at University in Term 1, and studying abroad in Terms 2 and 3. This is because Semester 2 starts at the end of January so you will spend the majority of Term 2 and Term 3 abroad.

If you submit your application and subsequently make a decision to study abroad, you should be able to access a change of circumstance form via your online SF account. Please let us know if you have any difficulties accessing this document – see Useful Contacts.

If you are working abroad as part of the Erasmus scheme but SF have assessed your funding as if you are taking a placement abroad (reduced rate loan only) please let us know, as we may be able to help resolve the problem – see Useful Contacts.

All students who tell SF that they will be studying abroad for the full year, or Semester 1, will be paid the first instalment of their maintenance loan 25 working days early (usually late-August) as long as the funding application has been fully processed.

Exchange students - If the University abroad starts term earlier than August you may be able to receive the first instalment of your maintenance funding even earlier. The University will advise SF of your individual term dates, usually around the end of June. Please note that receiving an early first instalment does not mean future instalments will be paid early

For Erasmus students the University standard term dates will continue to apply.

Bursaries from the University of Nottingham

You are still entitled to receive the University Core Bursary while you are on a year or semester abroad. However, you will need to request an assessment of your household income even if you are only going to receive the reduced rate loan. This is to ensure that your household income is under the relevant threshold for an award. Please ensure that if you are eligible for the Core Bursary you advise your bank details via the appropriate channel. For more information please go to nottingham.ac.uk/financialsupport

You will also receive any Potential Bursary you continue to be eligible for. For other Scholarships please check with the awarding team to see if payments will continue while you are abroad.



Useful contacts

National contacts

Gov.UK

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

[gov.uk/student-finance](https://www.gov.uk/student-finance)

Student Loans Company

Information relating to Student Loans.

[slc.co.uk](https://www.slc.co.uk)

National Union of Students (NUS)

Advice and guidance on all aspects of student life.

[nus.org.uk](https://www.nus.org.uk)

University contacts

Study Abroad Team - Exchange students

Office of Global Engagement,
Yang Fujia Building,
Jubilee Campus.

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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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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.

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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.