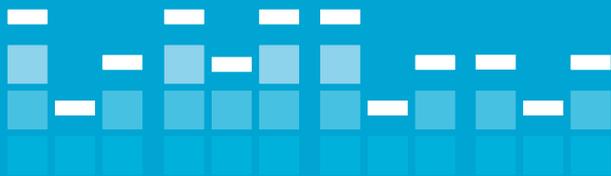


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Loans for part-time students 2017/18



Facts on finance for part-time study

For new and continuing part-time students who started their course on or after 1 September 2014.

- To qualify for a Tuition Fee Loan you must be studying at least 25% of the full-time equivalent for each year of your study, taking no more than four times the time (up to a maximum of 16 years) it would take to complete the course if you were studying full time.
- The Tuition Fee Loan isn't based on household income. The amount you can get depends on the cost of the fees charged by your university or college.
- If you're studying at a course intensity of at least 50%, you can apply for a Course Grant. Depending on your household income, you could get up to £1,155. This doesn't have to be paid back.
- You can apply up to nine months after the start of your course.
- You'll be due to start repaying your loan in the April four years after the start of your course or the April after you leave your course – whichever comes first. However, you'll only start making repayments if your income is over £21,000 a year, £1,750 a month or £404 a week.

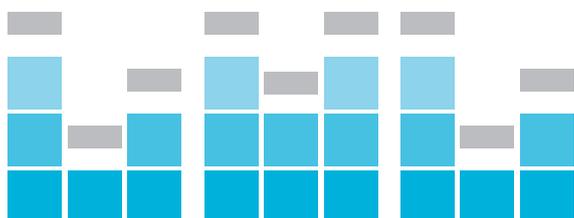
- Interest is charged from the day we make your first payment until the loan is paid in full or cancelled. The interest rate is based on the UK Retail Price Index (RPI)* and will vary depending on your circumstances. For more information, go to www.slc.co.uk/repayment
- There's also extra help for students with a disability, including a long-term health condition, mental-health condition or specific learning difficulty, or students with children or adult dependants.

*RPI is a measure of UK inflation. It measures changes to the cost of living in the UK.

Student Finance Wales is a service provided by the Student Loans Company.

We provide financial support on behalf of the Welsh Government to students from Wales entering higher education in the UK.

Most students won't have to pay any fees up front. You can apply for a Tuition Fee Loan of up to £2,625 to help towards the cost of your tuition fees if you're studying at a publicly-funded or privately-funded university or college in Wales.



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HOW TO APPLY

Who does what?

-  You
-  Student Finance Wales
-  Your university or college

Apply online

Apply online as soon as the application service opens at www.studentfinancewales.co.uk

Apply as early as possible to make sure your student finance is ready for the start of your course.

Remember to print out the declaration form, sign it and return it to us.

 We'll process your application and send you a Student Finance Entitlement letter telling you how much you can get.

 **Show** your Student Finance Entitlement letter to your university or college if they ask to see it.

 **Start** your course.

 Your university or college **confirms** to us that you have registered.

 **We pay** your Tuition Fee Loan directly to your university or college, and any grants directly into your bank account.

 **Remember** you don't need a confirmed place at university or college to apply for student finance. Just use your preferred choice of course – you can easily change this later by filling in a Change of Circumstances form available on our website.

Download 'Student finance – loans for part-time study 2017/18' from www.studentfinancewales.co.uk for more detailed information on all the financial support you can get and how to get it, including the extra help available.

For more information and guidance, go to
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