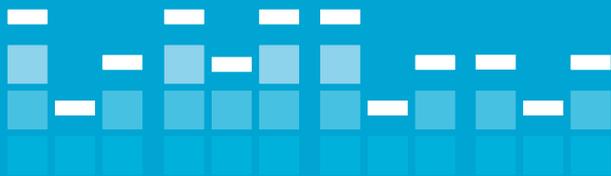


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Loans for part-time students 2016/17



Facts on finance for part-time study

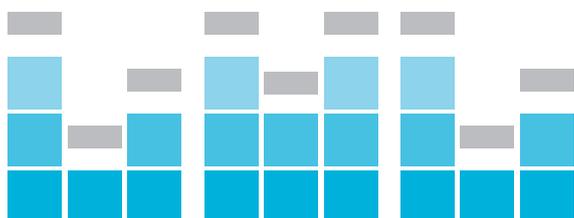
For new and continuing part-time students who started their course on or after 1 September 2014.

- 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.
- There's also extra help for students with a disability, including a mental-health condition or specific learning difficulty, or students with children or adult dependants.

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.

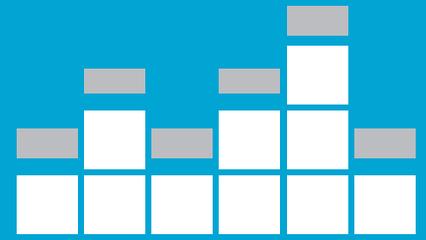


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Attach this to your notice board or fridge



HOW TO APPLY

Who does what?

-  You
-  Student Finance Wales
-  Your university or college

1 Apply online now!

If you started your course on or after 1 September 2012 you should apply online now at www.studentfinancewales.co.uk

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

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

2 We'll process your application and send you a Student Finance Entitlement letter. This will have your customer reference number on it. **Please quote** this whenever you contact us.

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

4 **Start** your course.

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

6 **We pay** your Tuition Fee Loan directly to your university or college and any grants 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 2016/17' 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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