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STUDENT FINANCE: WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW?

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The Money Charity is a national financial capability charity providing financial education, information and advice to young people and adults throughout the UK.

We provide financial education workshops to 11-19 year olds across most of the country. So far we have reached over 200,000 students. We also produce an annual Student Money Manual; an essential guide of student finance and managing money whilst at University. Our workplace and communities team also deliver to adults across the UK, taking an essentials approach to providing information on financial guidance.

We believe that everyone should have the skills, knowledge, attitudes and behaviours to make the most of their money and set them up for life.

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Objectives:

1. **Student Finance Package:** Tuition Fee Loan, Maintenance Loan and how to apply
2. **University Costs:** What to budget for and where to compare location costs
3. **Loan Repayment:** How much is owed and when does it need to be paid?
4. **Bank Accounts:** Are they all the same?
5. **Supporting** your young person

TRUE OR FALSE?

The amount of money you get depends on how much your parents (or guardians) earn

You have to start repaying your loans from the December after graduating

There are no bursaries and grants available outside of Student Finance

Student Finance Package

1. Tuition Fee Loan
2. Maintenance Loan
3. Maintenance Grant *



What are the differences between these?

Tuition Fee Loan

- Not 'means tested' and is paid directly to your chosen university
- [How much](#) could my child be eligible for? Do these amounts differ?
- *TIPS:* Must re-apply for this during each year of study

Tuition fees by region for courses starting in 2019				
Student's home region	Studying in England	Studying in Scotland	Studying in Wales	Studying in Northern Ireland
England	Up to £9,250	Up to £9,250	Up to £9,000	Up to £9,250
Scotland	Up to £9,250	No fee	Up to £9,000	Up to £9,250
Wales	Up to £9,250	Up to £9,250	Up to £9,000	Up to £9,250
Northern Ireland	Up to £9,250	Up to £9,250	Up to £9,000	Up to £4,160
EU	Up to £9,250	No fee	Up to £9,000	Up to £4,160
Other international	Variable	Variable	Variable	Variable

- Information on student fees and loans [£££](#)

Maintenance Loan

Household Income	Living at home	Away from home (outside London)	Away from home (London)
<£25,000	£7,529	£8,944	£11,672
£30,000	£6,859	£8,303	£11,020
£35,000	£6,260	£7,661	£10,367
£40,000	£5,626	£7,019	£9,714
£45,000	£4,991	£6,377	£9,062
£50,000	£4,357	£5,735	£8,409
£55,000	£3,722	£5,093	£7,756
£60,000	£3,414	£4,452	£7,103
£62,212+	£3,414	£4,168	£5,812

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WHICH OF THESE WON'T THEY PAY FOR?

Accommodation

Text Books

Food

Travel

Graduation ceremony costs

- Budgeting – how much will they need?
 - Online tools available
 1. [Budget Builder](#)
 2. [Student Budget Calculator](#)
- Savings

University costs

THE LONDONER

Deepak: 1st year,
London South Bank
Lives: in uni halls

Rent	£520
Bills	£0
Food	£90
Socialising	£30
Travel	£40
Study costs	£10
Clothes	£10
Mobile phone	£10

TOTAL £710

All-inclusive rent can be easier to manage than paying bills separately, as you'll only have one fixed monthly cost to worry about.

What is the biggest cost each month?
Where could savings be made?

Some costs will vary year on year.

THE NORTHERNER

Sinéad: 2nd year, Leeds Uni

Lives: rented accommodation

Rent	£350
Bills	£15
Food	£120
Socialising	£50
Travel	£30
Study costs	£0
Clothes	£30
Mobile phone	£0

TOTAL £595

City living means lots of ways to let off steam. Unless you've got a magic money pot you'll need to budget your cash ... then stick to it.

University costs

“Don’t be afraid to buy own brand supermarket food - it’s just as good and way cheaper!”
Yvonne, City University

“Bulk cook meals to freeze instead of buying readymeals, which are such a waste of money!”
Mary, Nottingham Trent

“ Avoid little convenience style supermarkets: their prices are always way higher than in bigger stores.” Ab, UCL

“Buy text books early in the year because sometimes the cost goes up as they become more in demand.” Sarah, City University

Re-payments

- Do all loans need to be repaid?
- Who do we repay?
- When do loans get repaid??
- Is it repaid in a one off sum or monthly?
- How long does it get repaid for?

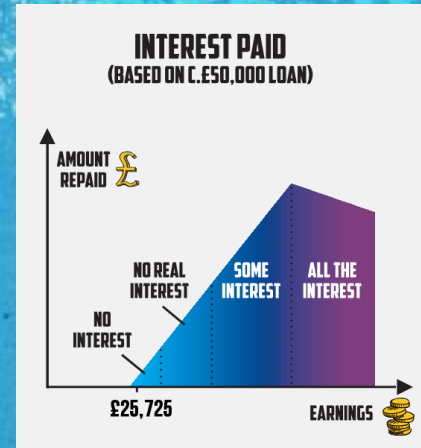
Student Loans Company

Income each year before tax	Monthly salary	Approximate monthly repayment
£25,000	£2,083	£0
£27,000	£2,250	£9
£30,000	£2,500	£32
£33,000	£2,750	£54
£35,000	£2,916	£69
£40,000	£3,333	£107

Student Loans and Interest

Income Contingent Repayment Loans for post - 2012 - (Plan 2) loans

(From 1 September 2017 until 31 August 2018 one or more interest rates may apply to you)



Your Circumstances	Interest Rate
Whilst studying and until the April after leaving the course	RPI+, plus 3% (6.3%)
From 6 April after leaving the course until the loan is repaid in full	Variable rate dependent upon income. RPI (3.3%) where income is £25,725 or less, rising on a sliding scale up to RPI +3% (6.3%) where income is £46,305 or more
If you don't respond to SLC's requests for information or evidence	RPI plus 3% (6.3%) will be applied to your loan, whatever your income, until SLC have all the information they need

Bank Accounts

Undergraduate Accounts:

- 0% overdraft
- Overdrafts
- Credit checks
- Shop around
- Switch (undergraduate – graduate accounts)

Check credit rating at:

clearscore.com or noodle.com

Student loans **won't affect credit score rating

Not having an up to date address on the electoral roll **will

Supporting your young person

The Money Charity: <https://themoneycharity.org.uk/student-moneymanual/>

The Money Charity: <https://budgetbuilder.themoneycharity.org.uk/>

UCAS: <https://www.ucas.com/>

Save the Student: <https://www.savethestudent.org/>

GOV: <https://www.gov.uk/browse/education>

The Money Saving Expert: <https://www.moneysavingexpert.com/>

The Complete University Guide (Parental support):

<https://www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk/preparing-to-go/advice-for-parents/>

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Q&A

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