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General questions email:

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UNIVERSITY AND MONEY: **FAST FACTS**

FIGURES FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2021 - 2022

LOANS

- Students can take out a government loan for their tuition fees. This does not depend on your household income.
- For further help with living costs students can apply for a second Maintenance loan from student finance to help towards living costs, the amount awarded is based on your household income.
- Universities can charge up to £9,250 each year for tuition fees

Maintenance Loan (Means Tested) amounts from August 2021

- Living at home up to £7,987
- Living away from home outside London up to £9,488
- Living away from home in London up to £12,382
- You spend a year of a UK course living abroad up to £10,866
- These loans do not have to be repaid until the April after the student leaves university.
- Students start to repay these loans only when they are earning over £27,295
- The repayments, which will be 9% of income above £27,295, will be automatically deducted from salary.
- Outstanding loans will be written off 30 years after the student leaves university.
- Part-time undergraduates who study for at least 25% of the full time course will be able to apply for a tuition fee loan but will not be eligible for a maintenance loan or maintenance grant.

EXTRA HELP

- Many universities offer non-repayable bursaries and scholarships: check their websites to find out what is available
- Disabled students can apply for a non-repayable Disabled Student's Allowance
- Support for Care Leavers and Estranged Students

www.gov.uk/student-finance

www.thestudentroom.co.uk/student-finance

Student Finance:

Tel: 0300 100 0607

Text relay: 18001 then 0300 100 0607

Monday to Friday: 8am - 8pm / Saturday 9am - 4pm

USEFUL WEBSITES:

www.ucas.com

All applications go through UCAS
For any students researching higher education.
Contains information on courses at universities
and colleges, with links to institution websites.

www.parentadviser.co.uk

Advice for parents on career options for their
children.

www.ukcoursefinder.com

A Study Interest Questionnaire to help find the
right subject.

www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk

Comprehensive HE guide.

www.open.ac.uk

The Open University website.

www.ox.ac.uk

Oxford online prospectus.

www.cam.ac.uk

Cambridge online prospectus.

www.careersteer.org

Online careers test - asks a range of questions
about you, then produces a list of careers from
that.

www.prospects.ac.uk

Careers advice and guidance for graduates.

www.push.co.uk

Find the right university.

www.qaa.ac.uk

Reports on quality of teaching and research in
HE.

www.ucas.com/providers/good-practice

Overview of admissions tests.

www.opendays.com

HE open days.

www.gov.uk/studentfinance

Financial support for HE.

www.gov.uk/student-finance-calculator

Student Finance calculator.

www.slc.co.uk

Student Loans Company for higher education
funding.

www.thescholarshipshub.org.uk

Search for scholarships.

www.thebrightsidetrust.org

Supporting students through HE.

nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk

Access to information, careers advice and
resources.

www.cswgroup.co.uk

Careers South West website.
