



NHS funding for current students (16/17 and earlier)

What is the NHS Bursary?

For eligible courses, the NHS will pay an annual income assessed bursary directly to you to help with day-to-day living costs and expenses.

The bursary will consist of:

- A non-means tested grant of £1000 (pro-rata for part time students) for those who started their course on or after 1st September 2012
- A means tested bursary based on your parent's household income
- Extra week's allowance of your means tested bursary if your course runs for more than 30 weeks and 3 days
- Dependants' allowance if you have children, spouse, civil partner or partner who are wholly financially dependent on you
- Parent Learning Allowance
- Childcare Allowance
- Practice placement costs

You will also be able to apply for additional loan support from Student Finance.

How is the Bursary paid?

The bursary will be paid in 12 equal instalments except for your last year where it will be paid over the number of months you have remaining in study.

It is worth remembering that if you are living in halls, rent instalments are due termly so you will need to budget in order to pay your accommodation fees promptly.

Disabled Students' Allowances

If you have a disability which means you require more assistance or equipment to help with your course, you may be able to apply for Disabled Students' Allowance. Please contact [enabling services](#) for more information.

Who can apply?

To be eligible to apply for financial support from the NHS, you must be enrolled on an NHS funded full or part-time course which leads to a professional registration.



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You must also meet residency requirements.

You may be entitled to an NHS bursary even if you have previously had statutory funding for higher education. You may also be eligible if you have previously been in receipt of an NHS bursary and wish to change professions.

Further information on personal eligibility can be found [here](#).

NHS funding for medical students

Gaining admission to the BM5 programme means you are entitled to receive student loans from Student Finance England for maintenance and tuition fees in the first four years.

From year five onwards, tuition fees will be paid by the NHS Student Bursary Scheme and you will be eligible to apply for a means-tested NHS bursary to cover maintenance costs and a reduced maintenance loan from Student Finance England.

Students starting from September 2012 will also have access to a non-means tested grant of £1,000 as part of their NHS Bursary award.

These funding arrangements will continue to apply if you are starting your studies between September 2016 and 1 August 2017.

Full time BM4 students will have to fund £3,465 of tuition fees in the first year. In the subsequent years of the course, the NHS Bursary scheme will pay £3,465 towards tuition fees. You can apply to Student Finance to pay the remaining amount in all years. In the first year, you can apply to Student Finance for a means-tested maintenance loan. From year 2 onwards, you may be eligible to apply for a reduced rate maintenance loan from Student Finance and an NHS means tested bursary.

Further information on medicine funding can be found [here](#).

Further guidance

For further guidance on NHS funding contact the Advice Centre.

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You can also visit us in Building 40, Highfield campus. Our opening hours are Monday–Friday 09.00–17.00.

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