

FEES & LOANS – The Basic Facts

WHAT WILL I HAVE TO PAY?

1. Tuition Fee Loan

- All eligible students can take out a loan for the amount charged by the institution (NI institutions £4,710 per year, remainder of the UK max £9,250 per year);
- Fees are paid directly to your institution by Student FinanceNI;
- No income assessment involved;
- Pay back only when you are earning more than £22,015 per year.

2. Maintenance Loan

- Max £6,780 if living away from parents' home and studying in London;
- Max £4,840 if living away from parents' home and studying outside London;
- Max £3,750 if attending university in Northern Ireland;
- Maintenance loan is means-tested.



MAINTENANCE GRANT & SPECIAL SUPPORT GRANT

How Much Can I Expect to Receive?

The amount you can get depends on your income and that of your parents or partner. The amount available is the same for both grants.

TOTAL ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME	AMOUNT AVAILABLE
£19,203 or less	Full grant - £3,475
Between £19,204 and £41,065	Partial grant
Over £41,065	No grant

Key Facts:

- These grants are to help with your living costs;
- You do not need to pay them back;
- You can get either the Maintenance Grant or the Special Support Grant, not both.

STUDYING IN THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND

- No Tuition Fees. Flat rate charge of €3000 (student contribution fee) paid to institution for you by local SFni office;
- If required to pay €3000 on enrolment day, ensure PN1 application is returned to local SFni office to enable this fee to be refunded by your institution;
- Eligible for a means tested bursary of up to £2000 where income less than £23,605 and maintenance loan;
- Transfer or repeat students will be charged full tuition fees (not payable by SFni).
- Comprehensive information can be found on www.nidirect.gov.uk/studentfinance