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Funding for undergraduates who already have a degree



If you already hold a degree at the same level as the course you wish to study you may not be able to receive loans and grants from Student Finance. Only those students studying for a professional qualification such as Medicine, Dentistry, Architecture and some allied health profession courses will receive some assistance from Student Finance for their second degree.

This information has been compiled to help you understand the funding situation and offer you some leads to alternative funding sources.

Support for Medics (A100) and Dentists (A200)

In years 1-4 you will be entitled to a means-tested Maintenance Loan for but not a Tuition Fee Loan for your fees. You will also be assessed for a University Bursary.

From year 5 onwards your tuition fees will be paid by the NHS, you will be eligible for a means-tested NHS bursary, a non means-tested grant of £1,000 and a reduced rate non means-tested maintenance loan from Student Finance. You will not be assessed for a University bursary.

More information can be found at: www.gov.uk/student-finance
www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/students



Support for Architects BA (K100, KK13 and HK21) and MArch

You will be entitled to a means-tested Maintenance Loan at the same rate as if you were studying your first degree. However you will not be entitled to a Tuition Fee Loan and must therefore pay the tuition fees yourself or find an alternative sponsor.

You will be assessed for a University Bursary.

Support for allied health profession courses

You will be entitled to a Tuition Fee Loan and Maintenance Loan on some allied health profession courses. Check the University's website or prospectus for further details.

Support for other undergraduate courses

You will not be entitled to a Maintenance Loan from Student Finance or a Tuition Fee Loan. You must therefore pay your tuition fees and living costs yourself or find an alternative sponsor. You may still be entitled to supplementary grants such as the Parents' Learning Allowance, Childcare Grant, Disabled Students' Allowance and Adult Dependents' Grant. You will also not be assessed for a University bursary.



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We have identified some sources of external funding and listed the criteria for selection. The level of funding tends to include small awards, is usually competitive and is not guaranteed. You will need to apply to each fund individually.

Name and Criteria	Contact Details
Sir Richard Stapley Educational Trust Supports students of medicine and veterinary science, and postgraduate students in all fields of study.	http://www.stapleytrust.org/wp/about
The Sidney Perry Foundation Undergraduate students who are in hardship, normally considers students under 35 years of age.	www.the-sidney-perry-foundation.co.uk
The BMA Medical Education Trust Students studying Medicine as a second degree who are not eligible to apply for Government bursaries.	www.bma.org.uk/about-us/who-we-are/bma-charities info.bmacharities@bma.org.uk
The Sir Samuel Osborn Deed of Gift Grants ranging from £250 - £1,000 for former employees and/or residents of Sheffield.	http://www.sycf.org.uk/apply/individuals/sir-samuel-osborns-deed-gift-relief-fund/

This is not a comprehensive list of Charities and funding providers,

To find out about other Hardship/Trust Funds try searching using www.studentcashpoint.co.uk & having a look at www.money4medstudents.org; also the Educational Grant Directory is available at your local library.

You may also want to investigate funding and support from charities and trusts from www.postgraduate-funding.com/gateway. Please email financialhelp@sheffield.ac.uk if you require the PIN number for guest access.