

SAAS

Student
Awards
Agency
Scotland

Funding your future



SAAS Funding – Parent / Carer Information

The Student Awards Agency Scotland
is here to help you to find the right
information, support and funding



www.saas.gov.uk

- ✓ Informing Choices
- ✓ Funding Futures
- ✓ Supporting Success

Students will have a range of costs whilst studying. They can apply to SAAS for help towards these, including tuition fees.



What’s available?

Colleges and universities charge tuition fees for courses. Students apply to SAAS for these if they’re studying an undergraduate or PGDE course. SAAS pay fees directly to their college or university. Fees paid are non-repayable if they study in Scotland, but they must submit an application every year. If they’re studying elsewhere in the UK they can apply to us for a Tuition Fee Loan of up to £9,250.

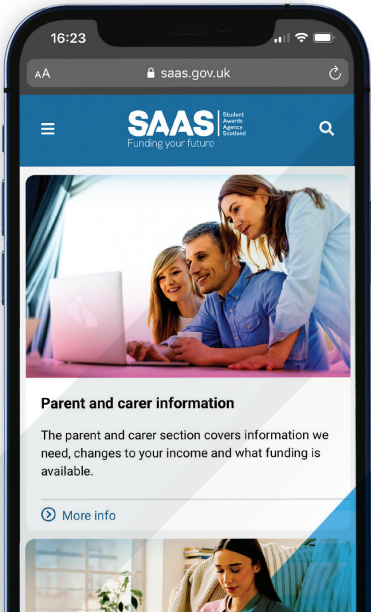
Students can apply for a bursary (non-repayable) and loan to support them with general living costs whilst they study. We will assess the funding based on their gross (before tax) household income.

Household income	Bursary	Loan	Total
£0 to £20,999	£2,000	£7,000	£9,000
£21,000 to £23,999	£1,125	£7,000	£8,125
£24,000 to £33,999	£500	£7,000	£7,500
£34,000 and above	£0	£6,000	£6,000

Other available funding

There are other types of funding available based on personal circumstances including grants for students who have a disability or impairment, student carers and care experienced students.

Visit www.saas.gov.uk for more information and to view our full eligibility criteria.



Key Facts

Students can apply to us at www.saas.gov.uk from **April**, as soon as they know the course they want to study. They don't need to wait for exam results. If they do not get on the course they want, they can change/cancel their application through their SAAS Account.

They will submit their completed application at www.saas.gov.uk and send any supporting evidence via our SAAS Document Uploader.

They must apply as early as possible and before **30 June** so their funding is in place for the start of their course (they'll need time to gather all supporting evidence).

- We will assess their entitlement and issue an award notice which shows how much funding they will receive.
- You should send us your income details and any evidence we ask for as soon as possible via our SAAS Document Uploader, so we can ensure the student receives their full entitlement.

They'll only receive the minimum amount of funding until you provide your details.



Applying for a Student Loan

Students must apply for their student loan via SAAS.

The Student Loans Company (SLC) will process the payments and payment schedule.



They won't have to start repaying the loan until the April after they graduate or leave their course.

They will be expected to pay 9% of any income they earn over £27,660 per year. This means if they earn £28,660 a year, they will repay £7.50 a month.

More information about student loan interest rates and repayments can be found at www.gov.uk



Products are available in community languages and alternative formats on request.

Helpful resources for students



Gender Based Violence (GBV support)

Information and support on sexual harassment and gender based violence.

<https://endgbv.uk/>

SAMARITANS

Samaritans

Provides advice in complete confidence to experienced advisors by calls or email.

www.samaritans.org



Breathing Space

A confidential helpline for people when they are feeling low, stressed or anxious.

www.breathingspace.scot



Scottish Association for Mental Health (SAMH)

Supports those who experience poor mental health, homelessness, and addictions.

www.samh.org.uk

MOODJUICE Moodjuice

Provides information to students, parents and carers on self-help resources.

www.moodjuice.scot.nhs.uk



Provides a wide range of mental health services for everyone.

www.penumbra.org.uk

LLTTF®
www.lltff.com

living life to the full

Providing online access to cognitive behavioural therapy (CBT) based resources for low mood and stress.

www.lltff.com

EmilyTest

Tackling Gender Based Violence in Education

Working to improve gender based violence prevention, intervention and support in FE and HE education.

www.emilytest.co.uk

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