



HIGHER EDUCATION OFS FUNDING TO SUPPORT CONTINUED ENGAGEMENT

FULL AND PART-TIME STUDENTS

MARCH 2023

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Introduction

- 1.1 This fund is in addition to the support provided through New College Durham HE hardship fund and is in place to ensure that any Higher Education Student suffering financial difficulty can continue with their study.
- 1.2 Students can apply for both HE Hardship and OfS funding.
- 1.3 The fund is available in recognition of additional support that students may require to enable them to continue with their studies.
- 1.4 This fund would make a contribution of costs to those eligible students where identified additional support is required to ensure continuation of studies.
- 1.5 Applications for support can be made by students on part-time and full-time HE courses who are studying at least 50 per cent (60 credits) of a full-time equivalent course. Any students whose disability (including physical and mental health) prevents them from studying at least 50 per cent of a full-time course may be eligible for a payment from the Fund provided they are studying for at least 25 per cent (30 credits) of a full-time equivalent course at undergraduate level.
 - Postgraduate (PGCE, MA)
 - First degree, such as BA, BSc, or Bed
 - Diploma of Higher Education (DipHE)
 - Higher National Diploma (HND)
 - Higher National Certificate (HNC)
 - Certificate of Higher Education
 - Foundation Degree
- 1.6 The support detailed in these terms and conditions is subject to the College receiving funding from the OfS and is time limited until March 2023.
- 1.7 The budget for support to students is finite. To be eligible for support Students must complete an application form fully and give a thorough explanation as to why they are applying for support.
- 1.8 The College will ensure that the limited funds available are distributed effectively and efficiently to those students with the greatest financial need and will be based on household income.
- 1.9 Terms and conditions set out by the OfS are supplementary to the College terms and conditions.

2. Applications

- 2.1 Only students who are enrolled as of the 27th February 2023 are eligible to apply.
- 2.2 Applications will only be considered from Monday 27th February until Friday 24th March 2023. No late applications will be processed.
- 2.3 Application forms should be completed fully with a thorough justification as to why you are applying for this funding. Only fully completed application forms will be considered, if a form is returned incomplete

Access Fund will contact this student further, if the form is still not completed or no further information is received the application will not be processed further.

2.4 LSC students to return completed applications to

New College Durham Students to return completed applications to
access.fund@newdur.ac.uk

2.5 Where a student is subject to disciplinary sanctions, consideration will be made regarding continued eligibility to receive the support from this fund.

2.5 In order to support applications, it may on occasions be necessary to seek further support from the course tutor.

3. Payments

3.1 All payments will be made directly to the student via BACS transfer.

3.2 The College is unable to make retrospective payments.

3.3 The fund is finite, and the available funds will be distributed according to the number of applicants who meet the above criteria.

3.4 Students are only eligible to apply for funding if they have attendance of **85%** or more and are up to date with all work, you agree that you meet these thresholds by signing and submitting this form.

3.5 All decisions will be made by Friday 31st March. Payments will be made to those eligible students on Friday 21st April. All payments will be direct to the student via BACS transfer (please ensure that you give correct bank details when completing this form).