

Education Act 1962

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Awards and grants by local education authorities and Minister of Education in England and Wales

1 Local education authority awards for first degree university courses and comparable courses in United Kingdom

- (1) It shall be the duty of every local education authority, subject to and in accordance with regulations made under this Act, to bestow awards on persons who—
 - (a) are ordinarily resident in the area of the authority, and
 - (b) possess the requisite educational qualifications,

in respect of their attendance at courses to which this section applies.

- (2) This section shall apply to such full-time courses at universities, colleges or other institutions in Great Britain and Northern Ireland as may for the time being be designated by or under the regulations for the purposes of this section as being first degree courses or comparable to first degree courses; and for the purposes of the preceding subsection the requisite educational qualifications, in relation to any course, shall be such as may be prescribed by or under the regulations, either generally or with respect to that course or a class of courses which includes that course.
- (3) Regulations made for the purposes of subsection (1) of this section shall prescribe the conditions and exceptions subject to which the duty imposed by that subsection is to have effect, and the descriptions of payments to be made in pursuance of awards bestowed thereunder, and, with respect to each description of payments, shall—
 - (a) prescribe the circumstances in which it is to be payable, and the amount of the payment or the scales or other provisions by reference to which that amount is to be determined, and
 - (b) indicate whether the payment is to be obligatory or is to be at the discretion of the authority bestowing the award;

and, subject to the exercise of any power conferred by the regulations to suspend or terminate awards, a local education authority by whom an award has been bestowed under subsection (1) of this section shall be under a duty, or shall have power, as the

- case may be, to make such payments as they are required or authorised to make in accordance with the regulations.
- (4) Without prejudice to the duty imposed by subsection (1) of this section, a local education authority shall have power to bestow an award on any person in respect of his attendance at a course to which this section applies, where he is not eligible for an award under subsection (1) of this section in respect of that course.
- (5) The provisions of subsection (3) of this section and of the regulations made in accordance with that subsection (except so much of those provisions as relates to the conditions and exceptions subject to which the duty imposed by subsection (1) of this section is to have effect) shall apply in relation to awards under the last preceding subsection as they apply in relation to awards under subsection (1) of this section.
- (6) Notwithstanding anything in subsection (1) of this section, that subsection. shall not have effect so as to require a local education authority—
 - (a) to bestow awards in respect of any period beginning before the first day of September, nineteen hundred and sixty-two, or
 - (b) to bestow an award on a person in respect of any course, if a scholarship, exhibition, bursary or other allowance granted to him in respect of that course is in force on that day by virtue of regulations made under paragraph (c) of section eighty-one of the Act of 1944.
- (7) The reference in subsection (1) of this section to persons who are ordinarily resident in the area of a local education authority is a reference to persons who, in accordance with the provisions of the First Schedule to this Act, are to be treated as being so resident.