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PART 4

GRANTS AND LOANS FOR FEES

CHAPTER 3

FEE LOANS

General qualifying conditions for fee loans

18.—(1) An eligible student qualifies for a fee loan in connection with the student's attendance on a designated course in accordance with this Part provided that the student is not excluded from qualification by the following paragraph, regulation 6 or regulation 7.

- (2) An eligible student does not qualify for a fee loan in respect of an academic year if—
- (a) that year—
 - (i) is a bursary year;
 - (ii) an Erasmus year of a course provided by an institution in Scotland or Northern Ireland; or
 - (iii) an Erasmus year of a course provided by an institution in England or Wales where the course began before 1 September 2012; or
 - (b) the designated course is an old flexible postgraduate course for the initial training of teachers.
- (3) Paragraph (2) does not apply in relation to an accelerated graduate entry course.

Fee loans in respect of courses beginning before 1 September 2012: new system eligible students not qualifying for a fee grant

19.—(1) A new system eligible student qualifies in accordance with this regulation for a loan in respect of the fees payable by the new system eligible student in respect of, or otherwise in connection with the new system eligible student's attendance on a designated course which began before 1 September 2012.

- (2) Unless paragraph (3) applies, the amount of a fee loan in respect of an academic year of a designated course must not exceed the lesser of—
- (a) £3,465 or, where one of the circumstances in regulation 16(5) applies, £1,725; and
 - (b) the fees payable by the student in respect of, or otherwise in connection with, that year.
- (3) Where a new system eligible student qualifies for a fee loan under this regulation in respect of a designated course provided by an institution in Northern Ireland, the amount of fee loan in respect of an academic year of the designated course must not exceed the lesser of—
- (a) £3,805 or, where one of the circumstances in regulation 16(5) applies, £1,895; and

(b) the fees payable by the student in respect of, or otherwise in connection with, that year.

(4) Where a new system eligible student has applied for a fee loan of less than the maximum amount available in relation to an academic year, the new system eligible student may apply to borrow an additional amount which when added to the amount already applied for does not exceed the relevant maximum applicable in the new system eligible student's case.

(5) This regulation does not apply in relation to a student if the student qualifies for a fee grant and the course is a qualifying designated course.

(6) This regulation does not apply to a new system eligible student who is a 2012 cohort student.

(7) This regulation does not apply to a new system eligible student who is a 2012 accelerated graduate entry student.

Fee loans in respect of courses beginning before 1 September 2012: new system eligible students qualifying for a fee grant

20.—(1) A new system eligible student who qualifies for a fee grant may apply under this regulation for a fee loan in respect of the new system eligible student's attendance on the qualifying designated course.

(2) The maximum amount of fee loan available under this regulation is the lesser of—

- (a) £1,380 or, where any of the circumstances in regulation 16(5) apply, £680; and
- (b) the remainder of the fees payable by the new system eligible student less an amount equal to the fee grant in respect of or otherwise in connection with that year.

(3) Where the new system eligible student has applied for a fee loan of less than the maximum amount available in relation to an academic year, the new system eligible student may apply to borrow an additional amount which, when added to the amount already applied for, does not exceed that maximum.

New fee loan in respect of courses beginning on or after 1 September 2012

21.—(1) A new system eligible student who is a 2012 cohort student qualifies in accordance with this regulation for a new fee loan in respect of, or otherwise in connection with, the 2012 cohort student's attendance on a designated course provided by a publicly funded institution.

(2) A new fee loan is not available in respect of an academic year if that year is—

- (a) a bursary year;
- (b) an Erasmus year of a course provided by an institution in Scotland or Northern Ireland; or
- (c) an Erasmus year of a course provided by an institution in England or Wales where the course began before 1 September 2012.

(3) The maximum amount of new fee loan available under this regulation to a 2012 cohort student in respect of an academic year of a designated course where none of the circumstances in regulations 16(5), 17(7), 17(8) or 17(9) applies is the lesser of—

- (a) £3,810; and
- (b) the fees payable by the student in respect of, or otherwise in connection with, that year.

(4) The maximum amount of new fee loan available under this regulation to a 2012 cohort student in respect of an academic year of a designated course where one of the circumstances in regulation 16(5) or regulation 17(7) applies is the lesser of—

- (a) £1,895; and
- (b) the fees payable by the student in respect of, or otherwise in connection with, that year.

(5) The maximum amount of new fee loan available under this regulation to a 2012 cohort student in respect of an academic year of a designated course where regulation 17(8) applies is the lesser of—

- (a) £900; and
- (b) the fees payable by the student in respect of, or otherwise in connection with, that year.

(6) The maximum amount of new fee loan available under this regulation to a 2012 cohort student in respect of an academic year of a designated course where regulation 17(9) applies is the lesser of—

- (a) £675; and
- (b) the fees payable by the student in respect of, or otherwise in connection with, that year.

(7) Where a 2012 cohort student has applied for a new fee loan of less than the maximum amount available in relation to an academic year, the 2012 cohort student may apply to borrow an additional amount which, when added to the amount already applied for, does not exceed that maximum.

(8) This regulation does not apply to a 2012 cohort student who qualifies for a new private institution fee loan.

New private institution fee loan

22.—(1) A new system eligible student who is a 2012 cohort student qualifies in accordance with this regulation for a new private institution fee loan in respect of, or otherwise in connection with, the 2012 cohort student's attendance on a designated course provided by a private institution.

(2) A new private institution fee loan is not available in respect of an academic year if that year is—

- (a) a bursary year;
- (b) an Erasmus year of a course provided by an institution in Scotland or Northern Ireland; or
- (c) an Erasmus year of a course provided by an institution in England or Wales where the course began before 1 September 2012.

(3) The maximum amount of new private institution fee loan available under this regulation to a 2012 cohort student in respect of an academic year of a designated course provided by a private institution where none of the circumstances in regulations 16(5), 17(7), 17(8) or 17(9) applies is the lesser of—

- (a) £6,000; and
- (b) the fees payable by the student in respect of, or otherwise in connection with, that year.

(4) The maximum amount of new private institution fee loan available under this regulation to a 2012 cohort student in respect of an academic year of a designated course provided by a private institution where one of the circumstances in regulation 16(5) or regulation 17(7) applies is the lesser of—

- (a) £3,000; and
- (b) the fees payable by the student in respect of, or otherwise in connection with, that year.

(5) The maximum amount of new private institution fee loan available under this regulation to a 2012 cohort student in respect of an academic year of a designated course provided by a private institution where regulation 17(8) applies is the lesser of—

- (a) £1,200; and
- (b) the fees payable by the student in respect of, or otherwise in connection with, that year.

(6) The maximum amount of new private institution fee loan available under this regulation to a 2012 cohort student in respect of an academic year of a designated course provided by a private institution where regulation 17(9) applies is the lesser of—

- (a) £900; and

(b) the fees payable by the student in respect of, or otherwise in connection with, that year.

(7) Where a new system eligible student has applied for a new private institution fee loan of less than the maximum amount available in relation to an academic year, the new system eligible student may apply to borrow an additional amount which, when added to the amount already applied for, does not exceed that maximum.

Accelerated graduate entry fee loan

23.—(1) A 2012 accelerated graduate entry student qualifies in accordance with this regulation for an accelerated graduate entry fee loan in respect of, or otherwise in connection with, the 2012 accelerated graduate entry student's attendance on a designated course which is an accelerated graduate entry course.

(2) An accelerated graduate entry fee loan is not available in respect of an academic year which is an Erasmus year.

(3) The amount of an accelerated graduate entry fee loan in respect of an academic year of a designated course which is an accelerated graduate entry course must not exceed the lesser of—

(a) £5,535; or

(b) the amount by which the fees payable by the 2012 accelerated graduate entry student exceed £3,465.

(4) Where a 2012 accelerated graduate entry student has applied for an accelerated graduate entry fee loan of less than the maximum amount available in relation to an academic year, the 2012 accelerated graduate entry student may apply to borrow an additional amount which, when added to the amount already applied for, does not exceed that maximum.