#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2009 No. 1555

# The Education (Student Support) Regulations 2009

## PART 5

## GRANTS FOR LIVING AND OTHER COSTS

#### CHAPTER 2

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

### General qualifying conditions for grants for living and other costs

- **38.**—(1) An eligible student qualifies for a grant under this Part provided that the student—
  - (a) is not excluded from qualification by any of the following paragraphs; and
  - (b) satisfies the qualifying conditions for the particular grant for which the student is applying.
- (2) An eligible student does not qualify for a grant under this Part if the only paragraph in Part 2 of Schedule 1 into which the student falls is paragraph 9.
  - (3) An eligible student does not qualify for a grant under this Part in respect of
    - (a) an academic year which is a bursary year;
    - (b) an academic year of a course for the initial training of teachers which—
      - (i) began before 1st September 2010; or
      - (ii) begins on or after 1st September 2010 where the student transfers to the current course pursuant to regulation 8 from a course for the initial training of teachers beginning before 1st September 2010,
      - during which the periods of full-time attendance, including attendance for the purpose of teaching practice, are in aggregate less than 6 weeks; or
    - (c) a flexible postgraduate course for the initial training of teachers which is of less than one academic year's duration.
  - (4) Paragraph (3)(b) does not apply for the purposes of the disabled students' allowance.
- (5) An eligible student does not qualify for a grant under this Part in respect of any academic year of a sandwich course where the periods of full-time study are in aggregate less than 10 weeks unless the periods of work experience constitute unpaid service.
  - (6) For the purposes of paragraph (5), "unpaid service" means—
    - (a) unpaid service in a hospital or in a public health service laboratory or with a primary care trust in the United Kingdom;
    - (b) unpaid service with a local authority in the United Kingdom acting in the exercise of its functions relating to the care of children and young persons, health or welfare or with a voluntary organisation providing facilities or carrying out activities of a like nature in the United Kingdom;
    - (c) unpaid service in the prison or probation and aftercare service in the United Kingdom;

- (d) unpaid research in an institution in the United Kingdom or, in the case of a student attending an overseas institution as part of the student's course, in an overseas institution; or
- (e) unpaid service with—
  - (i) a Strategic Health Authority established pursuant to section 13 of the National Health Service Act 2006(1) or a Special Health Authority established pursuant to section 28 of that Act;
  - (ii) a Local Health Board established pursuant to section 11 of the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006(2) or a Special Health Authority established pursuant to section 22 of that Act;
  - (iii) a Health Board or a Special Health Board constituted under section 2 of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978(3); or
  - (iv) a Health and Social Services Board established under Article 16 of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(4).
- (7) Subject to paragraph (8), where one of the events listed in regulation 18(a), (b), (c), (e), (f), (g) or (h) occurs in the course of an academic year, a student may qualify for a particular grant in accordance with this Part in respect of all or part of that academic year but a student does not qualify for such a grant in respect of any academic year beginning before the academic year in which the relevant event occurred.
- (8) Where the state of which the student is a national accedes to the European Community the student may qualify for a grant under this Part only if the student has been ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom and Islands throughout the three-year period immediately preceding the first day of the first academic year of the course.
- (9) Subject to paragraph (10), an eligible student does not qualify for a grant under this Part if the student is a prisoner.
  - (10) Paragraph (9) does not apply in respect of disabled students' allowance.

#### Students who are treated as in attendance

- **39.**—(1) A student to whom this regulation applies is treated as being in attendance on the designated course for the purpose of qualifying for the following grants—
  - (a) disabled students' allowance;
  - (b) grant for dependants;
  - (c) maintenance grant or special support grant;
  - (d) higher education grant.
  - (2) This regulation applies to—
    - (a) a compressed degree student;
    - (b) a disabled student who-
      - (i) is not a compressed degree student; and
      - (ii) is undertaking a designated course in the United Kingdom but is not in attendance because the student is unable to attend for a reason which relates to the student's disability.

<sup>(1) 2006</sup> c.41.

<sup>(2) 2006</sup> c.42.

<sup>(3) 1978</sup> c.29 to which there have been amendments not relevant to these regulations.

<sup>(4)</sup> S.I. 1972/1265 (N.I. 14), to which there have been amendments not relevant to these regulations.

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