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The Education (Student Support) Regulations 2009

PART 5

GRANTS FOR LIVING AND OTHER COSTS

CHAPTER 7

SPECIAL SUPPORT GRANTS FOR CURRENT SYSTEM STUDENTS

Qualifying conditions for the special support grant

60.—(1) A current system student qualifies in accordance with this regulation for a special support grant in connection with the student's attendance on a designated course to defray the costs of books, equipment, travel or childcare incurred for the purpose of attending that course.

(2) A current system student qualifies for a special support grant if the student—

- (a) falls within a prescribed category of person for the purposes of section 124(1)(e) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992(1); or
- (b) is treated as being liable to make payments in respect of a dwelling prescribed by regulations made under section 130(2) of that Act(2).

(3) If a current system student does not qualify for a fee loan in respect of an academic year of the designated course, the student cannot qualify for a special support grant for that year unless the reason that the student does not qualify for a fee loan is that—

- (a) the year is an Erasmus year; or
- (b) the designated course is an old flexible postgraduate course for the initial training of teachers.

(1) 1992 c.4 inserted by the Jobseekers Act 1995 (c.18), Schedule 2 paragraph 30 (5). The relevant regulation is regulation 4ZA of the Income Support (General) Regulations 1987 (S.I. 1987/1967). Regulation 4ZA was inserted by S.I. 1996/206, amended by S.I. 2000/1981, S.I. 2006/2144, S.I.2008/1826 and S.I.2009/583; there are other amending instruments but none is relevant.

(2) There are amendments to section 130 which are not relevant to these Regulations. The relevant regulation is regulation 56 of the Housing Benefit Regulations 2006 (S.I. 2006/213, as amended by S.I. 2006/718, S.I.2008/1042, S.I.2008/1082 and 2009/583).