#### WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2018 No. 191

# The Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2018

## PART 6

## TUITION FEE LOANS

#### **Tuition fee loan**

**38.** A tuition fee loan is a loan made available by the Welsh Ministers to an eligible student for the payment of tuition fees in respect of an academic year.

## Qualifying conditions for tuition fee loan

**39.** An eligible student qualifies for a tuition fee loan in respect of an academic year of the present course unless one of the following exceptions applies—

#### Exception 1

Where the present course is not an accelerated graduate entry course, the academic year is an Erasmus year of a course provided by an institution in Northern Ireland.

#### Exception 2

Where the present course is not an accelerated graduate entry course, the academic year is a year in respect of which a student is eligible to apply for—

- (a) a healthcare bursary, or
- (b) a Scottish healthcare allowance,

calculated by reference to the student's income (whether or not the calculation results in a nil amount).

## Exception 3

Where the present course is a part-time course or an accelerated graduate entry course, the academic year is an Erasmus year of the course provided by an institution anywhere in the United Kingdom.

## I<sup>F1</sup>Exception 4

The present course is a distance learning course and the student ("S") is not in Wales on the first day of the first academic year of the course.

But this exception does not apply where—

- (a) S is not in Wales on the first day of the first academic year of the course because S, or a close relative of S, is serving as a member of the armed forces outside Wales, or
- (b) S is unable to be in Wales on the first day of the first academic year of the course for a reason related to coronavirus.]

#### **Textual Amendments**

F1 Words in reg. 39 substituted (with application in accordance with reg. 1(2) of the amending S.I.) by The Education (Student Support) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (No. 2) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/708), regs. 1(2), 6

#### Amount of tuition fee loan

- **40.**—(1) An amount of tuition fee loan in respect of an academic year may not exceed the lower of—
  - (a) the tuition fees payable by the eligible student in respect of that year, or
  - (b) the maximum loan amount.
  - (2) The maximum loan amount is calculated in accordance with Table 2 where—
    - (a) Column 1 specifies the academic year in relation to which the maximum loan amounts in Column 5 are payable;
    - (b) Column 2 specifies the category of student to whom the maximum loan amounts in Column 5 apply (see paragraph (3));
    - (c) Column 3 specifies the type of course provider, where—
      - (i) "ordinary provider" means a provider falling within Condition 4 of Regulation 6(1);
      - (ii) "private institution" means an institution, which is not a recognised educational institution, providing a course specified as a designated course by the Welsh Ministers under regulation 8;
    - (d) Column 4 specifies the location of the institution providing the course;
    - (e) Column 5 specifies the maximum loan amount applicable in respect of the corresponding entries in Columns 1, 2, 3 and 4.
  - (3) The categories of students set out in Column 2 are—

#### Category 1

An eligible student undertaking a designated course who does not fall within Category 2, 3, 4 [F2, 5 or 6].

### Category 2

An eligible student undertaking the final academic year of a full-time course which ordinarily requires attendance of less than 15 weeks in order to be completed.

## Category 3

An eligible student undertaking an academic year of a sandwich course provided by an institution in the United Kingdom where—

- (a) the periods of full-time study undertaken at the institution during that academic year are in aggregate less than 10 weeks, or
- (b) the periods spent undertaking the course during that academic year and any previous academic years (which are not periods of full-time study at the institution), disregarding intervening vacations, are in aggregate more than 30 weeks.

## Category 4

An eligible student undertaking an academic year of a course provided by an institution in the United Kingdom in conjunction with an institution which is outside the United Kingdom where—

- (a) the periods of full-time study undertaken at the institution in the United Kingdom during that academic year are in aggregate less than 10 weeks, or
- (b) the periods spent undertaking the course during that academic year and any previous academic years (which are not periods of full-time study at the institution in the United Kingdom), disregarding intervening vacations, are in aggregate more than 30 weeks.

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## Category 5

An eligible student undertaking an accelerated graduate entry course.

## [F4Category 6

An eligible student undertaking an Erasmus year of a full-time course provided by an institution in England, Scotland or Wales.]

Table 2

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5
Academic year	Category of student	Course provider type	Location of course provider	Maximum loan amount
Beginning on or after 1 September2018	1	Ordinary provider	Wales	£9,000 for a full-time course £2,625 for a part-time course
			Elsewhere in UK	£9250 for a full-time course £6,935 for a part-time course
		Private institution	Wales	£6,165 for a full-time course £2,625 for a part-time course
			Elsewhere in UK	£6,165 for a full-time course £4,625 for a part-time course
	2	Ordinary provider	Wales	£4,500
			Elsewhere in UK	£4,625
		Private institution	Wales and Elsewhere in UK	£3,080
	3	Ordinary provider	Wales	£1,800
			England	£1,850
			Scotland and Northern Ireland	£4,625

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5
Academic year	Category of student	Course provider type	Location of course provider	Maximum loan amount
		Private institution	Wales and England	£1,230
			Scotland and Northern Ireland	£3,080
	4	Ordinary provider	Wales	£1,350
			England F5	£1,385
			[F6Scotland and] Northern Ireland	£4,625
		Private institution	[F7Wales and England]	£920
			[F8Scotland and Northern Ireland]	£3,080
	5	Ordinary provider	Wales and Elsewhere in UK	[F9£5,785]
[F10]Beginning on or after 1 September 2018	6	Ordinary provider	Wales	£1,350
			England and Scotland	£1,385]

## **Textual Amendments**

- Words in reg. 40(3) substituted (30.7.2018) by The Education (Student Finance) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/814), regs. 1(2), 8(a)(i)
- Words in reg. 40(3) omitted (30.7.2018) by virtue of The Education (Student Finance) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/814), regs. 1(2), 8(a)(ii)
- F4 Words in reg. 40(3) inserted (30.7.2018) by The Education (Student Finance) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/814), regs. 1(2), 8(a)(iii)
- F5 Words in reg. 40 Table 2 omitted (30.7.2018) by virtue of The Education (Student Finance) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/814), regs. 1(2), **8(b)(i)**
- Words in reg. 40 Table 2 inserted (30.7.2018) by The Education (Student Finance) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/814), regs. 1(2), **8(b)(ii)**
- F7 Words in reg. 40 Table 2 substituted (with application in accordance with reg. 1(2) of the amending S.I.) by The Education (Student Finance) (Amounts) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/153), regs. 1(2), 19(a)

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- F9 Sum in reg. 40 Table 2 substituted (8.3.2019) by The Education (Student Finance) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/235), regs. 1(2), 45
- **F10** Words in reg. 40 Table 2 inserted (30.7.2018) by The Education (Student Finance) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/814), regs. 1(2), **8(b)(iii)**

## Applying for a fee loan for less than the maximum amount

**41.** An eligible student may apply under regulation 32 to borrow part of the tuition fee loan available in respect of an academic year.

## Further application for tuition fee loan up to maximum amount

- **42.** Where—
  - (a) an eligible student applies for part of the tuition fee loan under regulation 41, or
  - (b) an additional amount of tuition fee loan is made available to an eligible student following a transfer and reassessment made under Section 5 of Chapter 2 of Part 4,

the student may make a further application under regulation 32 for the remaining balance of the tuition fee loan available in respect of that academic year.

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