
WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2018 No. 191

The Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2018

PART 9

DISABLED STUDENT'S GRANT

Disabled student's grant

61.—(1) A disabled student's grant is a grant made available by the Welsh Ministers to an eligible student with a disability to assist with additional expenditure in respect of living costs which the student is obliged to incur in connection with the present course by reason of the student's disability.

(2) In these Regulations, “disability” is to be construed in accordance with section 6 of the Equality Act 2010.

Qualifying conditions for disabled student's grant

62.—(1) An eligible student qualifies for a disabled student's grant in respect of an academic year of the present course if—

- (a) the student has a disability, and
- (b) the student does not fall within any of the exceptions in paragraph (2).

(2) The exceptions are—

Exception 1 The eligible student is a prisoner, unless—

- (a) the present course is a part-time course, and
- (b) the eligible student enters or is released from prison in the academic year in question.

[^{F1}Exception 2 The only paragraph or paragraphs of Schedule 2 into which the eligible student falls is one or more of paragraphs 1(3), 6(1), 6A(1), [^{F2}6BA,] 6C or 6D.]

Exception 3 The present course is a full-time course and the academic year is a year in respect of which the 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 4 The eligible student is undertaking an academic year of an accelerated graduate entry course, other than the first year of the course.

[^{F3}Exception 5 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

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- (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.]

Exception 6 The eligible student is undertaking an academic year of a sandwich course during which the periods of full-time study are in aggregate less than 10 weeks (unless it is a year to which regulation 44(2) applies).

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in [reg. 62\(2\)](#) substituted (with application in accordance with [reg. 2](#) of the amending S.I.) by [The Education \(Student Finance\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Wales\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2021 \(S.I. 2021/481\)](#), [regs. 1\(2\)](#), **123**
- F2** Word in [reg. 62\(2\)](#) inserted (11.2.2022) by [The Education \(Eligibility for Student Support\) \(Amendment\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2022 \(S.I. 2022/49\)](#), [regs. 2](#), **8**
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Amount of disabled student's grant

63.—(1) The amount of disabled student's grant for which a student qualifies in respect of an academic year is the amount—

- (a) which the Welsh Ministers think appropriate, but
- (b) which does not exceed the aggregate amount of the limits applicable in respect of the Cases listed in paragraph (2).

[^{F4}(2) The Cases and limits are—

Case 1

Expenditure required on a non-medical personal helper, major items of specialist equipment and any other expenditure the eligible student incurs in connection with the course by reason of the student's disability (apart from the expenditure specified in Case 2).

Limit of [^{F5}£32,546] in respect of an academic year of a course.

Case 2

Additional expenditure incurred—

- (a) within the United Kingdom for the purpose of attending an institution, and
- (b) within or outside the United Kingdom for the purpose of attending, as part of the present course, any period of study at an overseas institution (including the University of London Institute in Paris).

Limited to the actual expenditure incurred for this purpose.]

Textual Amendments

- F4** [Reg. 63\(2\)](#) substituted (with application in accordance with [reg. 1\(2\)](#) of the amending S.I.) by [The Education \(Student Support\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2021 \(S.I. 2021/73\)](#), [regs. 1\(2\)](#), **9**
- F5** Sum in [reg. 63\(2\)](#) substituted (with application in accordance with [reg. 2](#) of the amending S.I.) by [The Education \(Student Finance\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2022 \(S.I. 2022/79\)](#), [regs. 1\(2\)](#), **47**

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