

Bangor University - Undergraduate Bursaries Scheme

Terms & Conditions 2010/11

1 General Terms & Conditions

- Bursaries will only be available to full-time, undergraduate students who started their first year of higher education on or after 1 September 2007, and are registered and in attendance 14 days prior to the particular bursary payment date.
- Students in receipt of other bursary payments (e.g. NHS, Health & Social Care Council) will not be eligible for the bursaries scheme.
- Bursary payments will be administered and distributed by the Student Loans Company (SLC) on behalf of the University. Students must complete the Local Authority assessment form (PN1/PR1) to be eligible for a bursary. In addition, the student (and sponsor where applicable) must have given consent on this form, for their information to be shared with SLC.
- Where eligibility for any particular bursary has not been confirmed by the payment date, payment will be made as soon as possible following the payment date, and confirmation of eligibility.
- The final date for any bursary payment is 31 July 2011. The final date by which a student's eligibility for any particular bursary must have been assessed is 15 July 2011. After these dates any entitlement to a bursary will cease, unless there are exceptional circumstances.
- The University reserves the right to reclaim any overpayment or incorrect bursary payments.

2 Additional Terms & Conditions for Specific Bursaries

- **Bangor Bursary**
 - Sandwich students (or other placement students) not subject to a full tuition fee are not eligible for a Bangor Bursary for that year.
 - On the Local Authority assessment form (PN1/PR1), the student's sponsor must have given consent for their information to be shared with SLC, in order that a means assessment can take place.
 - The Bangor Bursary is only available to UK domiciled students.
 - Students with a household income of less than £18,370 will be eligible for the £1000 Bangor Bursary.
 - Students with a household income between £18,370 and £39,793 will be eligible for the £500 Bangor Bursary.
 - The payment date for Bangor Bursaries will be March 1 2011; the bursary will be paid in one instalment.
- **Start Up Bursaries**
 - Start Up Bursaries of £1000 will be available to students entering University from care.
 - Start Up Bursaries will be paid in the first year of study only.
 - Start Up Bursaries are only available to UK and EU domiciled students.
 - Students entering University from care will need to make the Money Support Unit in Student Services aware of this, in order that payment of the bursary can be made.

- The payment date for Start Up Bursaries will be October 29 2010; the bursary will be paid in one instalment.

- **Subject Specific Bursaries**

- Subject Specific Bursaries are **not** available to new students starting their studies in the academic year 2010/11,
- Students continuing their studies who entered the University in the academic years 2007/08, 2008/09, or 2009/10 will continue to be eligible for the subject specific bursaries in the following Academic Schools: Chemistry, Computer Science, Electronic Engineering, Law, Modern Languages.
- Eligible students following a single honours programme within the eligible Academic Schools will be awarded the £500 Subject Specific Bursary.
- Eligible students following a joint honours programme within the eligible Academic Schools will be awarded the £250 Subject Specific Bursary.
- Students will be expected to follow the programme for which they have registered, where it results in eligibility for a Subject Specific Bursary. Any attempt to deliberately mislead the University in this respect may result in disciplinary action.
- Subject Specific Bursaries are only available to UK and EU domiciled students.
- The payment date for Subject Specific Bursaries will be March 1 2011; the bursary will be paid in one instalment.

- **Welsh Medium Bursaries**

- Welsh Medium Bursaries are available to students who study all or part of their degree programme through the medium of Welsh.
- Students following their entire degree programme through the medium of Welsh will be eligible for the £500 Welsh Medium Bursary.
- Students following part of their degree programme (40 credits or more) through the medium of Welsh will be eligible for the £250 Welsh Medium Bursary.
- Credits for bilingual modules will be counted as Welsh Medium for the purpose of this bursary.
- Eligibility for Welsh Medium Bursaries will be assessed based on module registrations as at 1 November 2010 and confirmed with students' Schools
- Students will be expected to follow the modules for which they have registered, where it results in eligibility for a Welsh Medium Bursary. Any attempt to deliberately mislead the University in this respect may result in disciplinary action.
- Welsh Medium Bursaries are only available to UK and EU domiciled students.
- The payment date for Welsh Medium Bursaries will be March 1 2011; the bursary will be paid in one instalment.

3 Changes to LEA Assessment

- Reassessment prior to a particular payment date will result in the reassessment of a students' eligibility for bursaries.
- In the case of a bursary entitlement being reassessed following payment, the University will not normally reclaim any overpayment.

- Where a **final LEA** assessment was not made by the bursary payment date, payment will be made as soon as possible after this date when the final LEA assessment is received (subject to the final cut-off dates above).

4 Changes to Course or Mode of Study (incl. Repeating and Suspension)

- If a student changes to a different programme of study, their eligibility for bursaries will be reviewed.
- Students temporarily moving to a part-time mode of attendance (e.g. to redeem failed credits from a previous year), but paying a pro-rata full-time fee, may be eligible for bursaries on a pro-rata basis, at the University's discretion.
- A student will be eligible for the bursary scheme if repeating a year full-time.
- Students who have interrupted or suspended their studies will not be eligible for a bursary during the year in which their studies are suspended

5 Debtors

- A bursary will be suspended if a student has an **outstanding** debt to the University, 14 days prior to the bursary payment date. A debt is defined as any University debt (e.g. tuition fee, Hall fee) where a student pays privately, and has failed to make arrangements to pay or has broken a promise to pay an amount on an agreed date.

6 Withdrawals

- Any outstanding bursary payments will be cancelled once a student withdraws from a course or transfers to another HEI.
- Withdrawing students will not have to repay any bursary payment, as long as the student is in attendance on the date that bursary payments are made.

7 Discipline

- A bursary may be suspended pending the hearing of, or cancelled following the outcome of, any disciplinary action taken by the University.

8 Exceptional Cases & Appeals

- Where a student wishes to appeal a decision relating to bursaries or where a student feels they have exceptional circumstances, they should initially raise this with the Money Support Unit. Any exceptional cases will be dealt with on a case by case basis.

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