SLC extends student finance deadline for full-time, returning students in England and Wales

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Student finance deadline extended to 30 June for full-time, returning students in England and Wales



As Universities and colleges are now starting to confirm their teaching arrangements for the forthcoming academic year in response to Covid-19, SLC is extending the deadline for full-time returning students to apply for finance, from 12th June (Wales) and from 19th June (England) to 30th June.

Derek Ross, Executive Director of Operations at SLC said, "SLC recognises that students may still be gathering information on which to base their plans for next year. On that basis, we want to give them more time to complete their application before the 'returner' deadline.

"The clear advice to returning students is to submit their funding applications as quickly as possible and by extending the deadline we are providing students with valuable additional time. "

While SLC does everything in its power to process all applications as quickly as possible, more complex cases do take time. Students submitting late applications may not receive their full maintenance loan for the start of the new term. While the basic non income assessed payment will be made, any additional entitlement will only be paid once the application and assessment process is completed.

Derek Ross added "Submitting an application as soon as possible is the only way to ensure funding will be in place for the start of next term. For maximum peace of mind, students are encouraged to note the extension to the deadline and submit their applications as quickly as possible."

Applications can be made online at www.gov.uk/student-finance or

www.studentfinancewales.com. Information is also available on Facebook.com/SFEngland and Twitter.com/SF_England or Facebook.com/SF_Wales and Twitter.com/SF Wales

The student finance deadline for new students has already passed but for anyone who may have missed it, the advice is still to get an application in as soon as possible. Even when someone is not sure of their eventual course, University or college, new students should apply based on their first preference, as there is no penalty for withdrawing an application or amending details later.

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