

[Apply for part time and post graduate master's student finance](#)

Press release

SLC has launched its student finance application service for part time and post graduate master's students in England.



Eligible part-time students can apply for a Tuition Fee Loan as well as a Maintenance Loan to help with their living costs.

Students starting master's degrees could get a Postgraduate Master's Loan to help them with tuition fees and living costs.

Post graduate doctoral students in England will be able to apply for funding later in the month.

Derek Ross, SLC Executive Director of Operations said: "I'm delighted to advise that the application service for part time and post graduate master's students is now open. As always, our advice is to apply now to ensure funding is in place before the start of term.

"The easiest way to apply is [online](#) and you can do so now even if you don't have a confirmed place at university."

Key facts about Part time Student Finance

1. Part-time students can apply for Tuition Fee Loans. If your course started on or after 1 August 2018 you can also apply for a Maintenance Loan.
2. The amount of Maintenance Loan you get depends on where you live while studying, your household income and your course intensity (we measure this by asking you how many module credits you'll study – check with your university or college if you're not sure).
3. You need to reapply for funding for each year of your course.
4. You start repaying your loan the April after you finish or leave your course or the April four years after the start of your course (even if you are still studying), whichever comes first. You repay 9% of what you

earn over the repayment threshold which is currently £26,575 per annum.

Watch our [short film for more information on part time funding](#)

Key facts about the Post Graduate Master's Loan

1. You can get up to £11,222 to help with course fees and living costs
2. The amount you get is not based on your income or your family's
3. You only need to apply once even if your course is longer than a year. The loan is divided equally across each year of the course.
4. You start repaying your Postgraduate Master's Loan the April after you finish or leave your course. You repay 6% of what you earn over the repayment threshold which is currently £21,000 per annum. If you have other student loans you repay these at the same time.

Watch our [short film about Post Graduate Master's Loans](#)

Students may also follow SFE on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#)

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[Update on Investigation into LCF – June 2020](#)

Dame Elizabeth Gloster wrote to the Financial Conduct Authority on 15 May 2020 advising that it would not be possible for her to complete her investigation by the target date of 10 July 2020. Her letter sets out the reasons for the delay and proposes a revised target date for completion of 30 September 2020.

Charles Randell, Chair of the FCA, replied on 26 May confirming that the FCA has no objection to the proposed extension and will continue to work with Dame Elizabeth to deliver to this timescale.

Charles Randell and Dame Elizabeth also wrote to the Economic Secretary to the Treasury, John Glen MP on this subject on 27 May and 1 June respectively.

The Economic Secretary responded to Dame Elizabeth's letter on 10 June 2020.

Primary schools to be given flexibility to bring back more pupils

Press release

Headteachers are being encouraged to invite back more primary pupils before the summer, where they have capacity to do so



Primary schools in England are to be given greater flexibility to invite back more pupils, but only if the school has capacity within existing guidelines and if protective measures are in place.

Children in early years, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 began returning to classrooms on 1 June, with over half of primary schools open to at least one of these year groups as of 4 June.

Updated guidance published today (15 June) gives heads and school leaders the ability to invite back additional children if – having invited back the pupils in eligible year groups – they are able and feel ready to do so within the existing guidance.

Schools will have flexibility to decide which additional pupils to prioritise for return, provided existing guidelines are followed and protective measures are in place, including limiting primary class sizes to no more than 15 pupils.

Education Secretary Gavin Williamson said:

I want to make sure as many pupils as possible can get back into the classroom and be reunited with their friends and teachers before the summer, to support their wellbeing and education.

We have a range of protective measures in place in schools to reduce the risk of transmission and I would like to encourage primary schools to invite more children back if they can maintain those existing guidelines.

I would encourage parents to take advantage of a place if they are eligible, and I'd like to thank teachers and staff for all their hard work as we take the next step in our phased and cautious approach to returning all children to school.

From Monday 15 June, secondary schools will welcome back pupils in Year 10 and Year 12 and colleges will welcome back 16-19 students, with settings using a range of approaches to allow a quarter of students in at any one time.

Schools and colleges can invite young people who are not yet returning to on-site provision in for a face-to-face meeting before the end of this term, where it would be beneficial and as long as this happens in line with wider protective measures guidance. This time can be used to check-in on students before a return to school or college in September, or moving into employment or the next stage of education.

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[Recovered appeal: land at Levitt's Field, Waterbeach Waste Management Park, Ely Road, Cambridgeshire \(ref: 3225123 – 15 June 2020\)](#)

Decision letter and Inspector's Report for a recovered appeal for a waste recovery facility (Waterbeach Waste Recovery Facility) comprising the erection and operation of an energy from waste facility, air cooled condensers and associated infrastructure, including the development of an internal access road; office/welfare accommodation; workshop; car, cycle and coach parking; perimeter fencing; electricity sub-stations; weighbridges; weighbridge office; water tank; silos; lighting; heat offtake pipe; surface water management system; hard standings; earthworks; landscaping and bridge crossings.

[EU-UK Statement following the High](#)

Level Meeting on 15 June

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The Parties noted the UK's decision not to request any extension to the transition period. The transition period will therefore end on 31 December 2020, in line with the provisions of the Withdrawal Agreement.

The Parties welcomed the constructive discussions on the future relationship that had taken place under the leadership of Chief Negotiators David Frost and Michel Barnier, allowing both sides to clarify and further understand positions. They noted that four rounds had been completed and texts exchanged despite the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Parties agreed nevertheless that new momentum was required. They supported the plans agreed by Chief Negotiators to intensify the talks in July and to create the most conducive conditions for concluding and ratifying a deal before the end of 2020. This should include, if possible, finding an early understanding on the principles underlying any agreement.

The Parties underlined their intention to work hard to deliver a relationship, which would work in the interests of the citizens of the Union and of the United Kingdom. They also confirmed their commitment to the full and timely implementation of the Withdrawal Agreement.

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