# Student Funding





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How much will a degree cost from 2012/2013?

What support is available?

What are the repayment details and terms?

What are the benefits?



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## **Tuition Charge**



## **Living Costs**



Tuition Charges Loan (Repayable)

University Funding (Non-Repayable)

Maintenance Loan (Repayable)

Maintenance Grant (Non-Repayable)

University Funding (Non-Repayable)



#### **Tuition Charges 2012**

- Why have there been changes to the way HE is funded in the UK?
- Charges possible
  - Maximum of £6,000 with no conditions
  - Up to £9,000 on condition that bursaries are provided to students from lower income families
- Who is charging what?
- What does the 'ticket price' mean?

#### **Tuition Charge Loan**

- Available to UK and EU students
- Not dependent on household income
- Up to a maximum of £9,000 per annum, institution dependent
- Paid directly to institution
- Joined with Maintenance loan for repayment purposes

#### **University Support**

- Various universities offering generous tuition charge waivers
- Non repayable reduction of tuition charges
- Frequently household income based



## **University support for Tuition Charges, Oxford University**

Household income*	Tuition charge for first year of study	Tuition Charge for subsequent years
£0 - £16,000	£3,500	£6,000
£16,001 - £20,000	£7,000	£7,000
£20,001 - £25,000	£8,000	£8,000
£25,001 +	£9,000	£9,000

#### Living costs 2012

- Dependent on where and how the student lives
- Very much institution specific so check with University choices
- Oxford's typical costs for 2010/2011:

Type of Cost	Amount
Accommodation	£3,400
Food & living costs	£2,350
Course costs	£300
Activities	£950
Total	£7,000

Maintenance Grant (Non-Repayable) University
Funding (Non-Repayable)

#### **Maintenance Loan**

- Paid directly to the student
- In 3 roughly equal sums per year
- All students are eligible to 65% of the loan (£3,575)
- The further 45% is means tested on household income

University and living arrangements	Maximum amount
Living with parents	£4,375
Studying in London and not living with parents	£7,675
Studying outside of London and not living with parents	£5,500
Living and studying abroad for at least one academic term	£6,535



Maintenance Grant (Non-Repayable) University
Funding (Non-Repayable)

#### **Maintenance Grant**

- Paid directly to the student
- In 3 roughly equal sums per year
- Grant affects the amount of Maintenance Loan a student can borrow
- Assessed on household income
  - Under £25,000 eligible to full grant of £3,250
  - Up to £42,600 eligible to a proportion of the grant



Maintenance Grant (Non-Repayable) University
Funding (Non-Repayable)

#### **University Funding**

- Universities run a variety of schemes
- Typically paid directly to the student
- Non repayable
- May be means tested (automatic through student funding system)
- May be on other grounds such as ability or talent



Maintenance Grant (Non-Repayable) University
Funding (Non-Repayable)

#### **University Funding for Maintenance, Oxford University**

Household income	Bursary for first year	Bursary for subsequent years
£0 - £16,000	£4,300	£3,300
£16,001 - £20,000	£3,500	£3,000
£20,001 - £25,000	£3,000	£2,500
£25,001 - £30, 000	£2,500	£2,000
£30,001 - £35,000	£2,000	£1,500
£35,001 - £40,000	£1,500	£1,000
£40,001 - £42,600	£1,000	£500

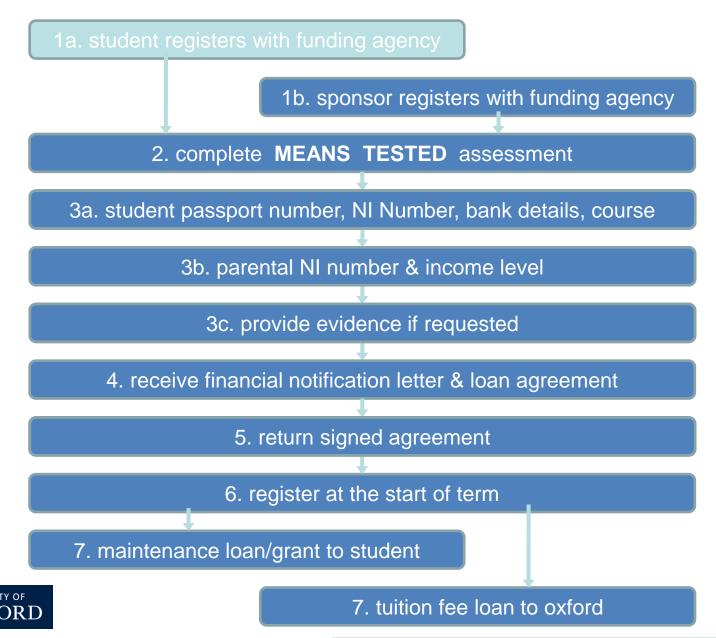


#### **Terms of Loans**

Students will be charged interest on their loans at the following rates:

Annual Salary	Interest accrued
Whilst studying and until April after graduation	RPI + 3%
Earning under £21,000	RPI
Between £21,000 and £41,000	Sliding scale from RPI to RPI +3%
Over £41,000	RPI + 3%

# how to apply for support



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- Repayment begins the April following graduation
- Repayment only when the student earns over £21,000 per annum
- At a rate of 9% per annum above the threshold (based on pre tax income)
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#### **Repayment Examples**

A Graduate earning £22,000 per year

£22,000 - £21,000 threshold = £1,000 9% of £1,000 = £90 So £90 per year = £7.50 per month A Graduate earning £30,000 per year

£30,000 - £21,000 threshold = £9,000 9% of £9,000 = £810 So £90 per year = £67.50 per month

Graduates earning over £21,000 under this system will have £540 per year in their pockets more than those under the old system

#### Repayment for longer if at all?

- This system will take longer for students to repay their loans
  - Larger sums
  - Interest charged
  - Lower monthly repayments

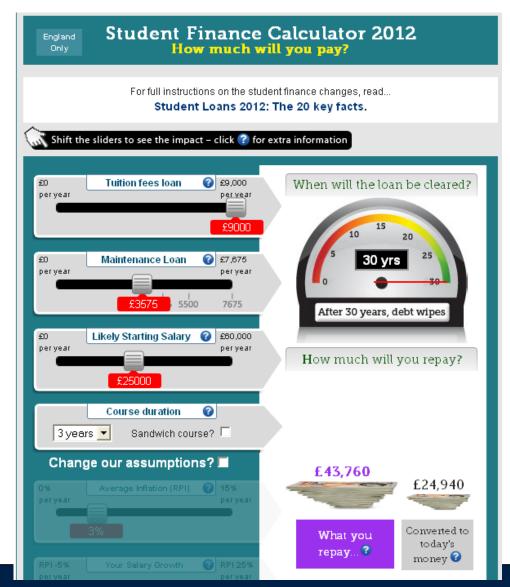
It is expected that a large number of students will never repay

the full balance

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Starting salary (Sep 2015)	Total amount repaid (in todays prices)	Will I fully repay it?	him
£10,000	Nothing	No	
£20,000	£7,000	No	
£30,000	£43,000	No	
£40,000	£77,000	No	
£50,000	£68,000	Yes - 21 years	



### Repayment for longer if at all?





#### Is it still worth it?

- YES! For some students it remains absolutely the right choice
- For a multitude of reasons that have nothing to do with future earning power but...
- Graduate vacancies are set to rise by almost 10% in 2012
- More and more employers are demanding graduates
- A degree provides highly marketable transferrable skills
- The graduate earnings premium from top universities is £80k above the average
- Top 5 universities targeted by Britain's top graduate employers in 201011 are:
  - Cambridge
  - Oxford
  - Warwick
  - Manchester
  - London



# Questions?

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