STUDENT SUPPORT FOR CAMBRIDGE GRADUATE COURSE IN MEDICINE 2017 ENTRY

Please note that this document is based on our current understanding of information available from the NHS, Student Finance England, the Student Awards Agency for Scotland, Student Finance Wales, and the Education and Library Board in Northern Ireland. Full information for 2017/18 was not available at the time of writing. 2016/17 information has been used as a guide and will be updated with 2017/18 information once this has been confirmed.

YEAR 1 – ENGLISH, WELSH AND EU STUDENTS
In year 1 English and EU students will be required to pay the first £3,465 of the tuition fee and will also be eligible to apply for a tuition fee loan of up to £5,785 from Student Finance England. A college fee will not be payable by students in any year of the course. Students must also find £13,387 for living costs in year 1, £14,056 in year 2, £14,758 in year 3 and £15,495 in the final year. Living costs are an estimate only and have been calculated to increase by approximately 5% each year. English students can apply to Student Finance England for a maintenance loan up to £8,430. Students eligible for additional weeks support may receive an extra £86 per week for courses over 30 weeks per annum. Other supplementary grants are also available such as Parental Learning Allowance, Adult Dependant Grant and Child Care Grant as well as Disabled Students Allowance for the additional needs of disabled students. EU, EEA and Swiss nationals who have been ordinarily resident in the UK for three years prior to the start of the course may be eligible for a maintenance loan.

English students who wish to apply for student support should apply online to Student Finance England. More information can be found at: http://www.sfengland.slc.co.uk/full-time-study.aspx. Welsh students should apply to Student Finance Wales www.studentfinancewales.co.uk. EU students can find information about applying for student support at: http://www.sfengland.slc.co.uk/full-time-study/eu-students/how-and-when-to-apply.aspx.

YEAR 1 – WELSH STUDENTS
Welsh students need to self-fund the first £3,465 of tuition fees and can apply for a fee loan of up to £5,785 and a Maintenance Loan up to £6,183 from Student Finance Wales. A college fee will not be payable in any year of the course. More information about tuition fee and maintenance loan rates can be obtained from http://www.studentfinancewales.co.uk

YEAR 1 – SCOTTISH AND NORTHERN IRISH STUDENTS
Students will be required to pay the tuition fee themselves. A college fee will not be payable by students in any year of the course. Scottish students can apply to SAAS for up to £5,750 Maintenance Loan. Northern Irish students can apply for up to £4,840 from Student Finance Northern Ireland. Please see http://www.saas.gov.uk or http://www.studentfinanceni.co.uk for more information.

YEARS 2-4 ENGLISH/WELSH STUDENTS
CGCM students domiciled in England and Wales will be eligible to apply for help from the N.H.S and their regional funding agency towards their tuition fees. The NHS will pay the first £3,465 of the tuition fee (not repayable and not income assessed) and students will be eligible to apply for a tuition fee loan (from Student Finance England/Student Finance Wales) for the balance of the tuition fee (£5,785). Students can also apply to Student Finance England for a reduced rate maintenance loan of up to £2,324 in year 2 and 3 and up to £1,811 in final year/4. Welsh Students can apply for up to £3,030 Maintenance Loan in years 2 and 3 and up to £2361 in final year/4. An NHS bursary for living costs of up to £4,491 is also available to help with day-to-day costs incurred while studying. In addition, an extra £1,000 Grant is available. Other allowances are available including additional weeks; Dependants Grant; Child Care Grant; Parents Learning

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There is an additional extra weeks allowance for courses over 30 weeks and 3 days long in any one academic year. If you have to attend the course for 45 weeks or more in any academic year, you will receive extra weeks allowance to ensure your bursary covers all 52 weeks of the year.

Tuition Fee amounts for students from EU, EEA countries and Switzerland (in some cases) will be eligible to apply to the NHS Student Grants Unit for the NHS bursary for tuition fees. A tuition fee loan for the balance of the tuition fee may be available from Student Finance England. Information on this for 2017 is yet to be confirmed. Students will not be eligible for living cost support from the NHS or Student Finance. However, if they have been ordinarily resident in the UK for three years prior to the start of the course they may be eligible for an NHS Bursary for living costs.

Note that travel costs to clinical placements are usually funded by a ‘mileage allowance’ from Year 2 onwards payable by the NHS or NHS Wales. This will only apply if you are eligible for a means tested NHS Bursary.

YEARS 2-4 EU STUDENTS
EU students commencing their studies in 2017 should note that NHS tuition fee support arrangements have not yet been confirmed by the UK government.

YEARS 2–4 SCOTTISH/NORTHERN IRISH STUDENTS
Students from Northern Ireland and Scotland will not be eligible for an NHS Bursary or NHS fee grant. Scottish students can apply for up to £7,750 in Maintenance Loan and should contact http://www.saas.gov.uk. Students from Northern Ireland can apply for up to £4,840 in Maintenance Loan and should contact http://www.studentfinanceni.co.uk.

CAMBRIDGE BURSARIES-U.K. AND E.U. STUDENTS-(All Years)

UK students taking the Graduate Course in Medicine may be eligible for a Cambridge Bursary of up to £3,500. Students who have been assessed by a Student Finance Agency and as a result are in receipt of a non-means tested maintenance loan and an additional means tested loan will receive a partial or full bursary. There is also an additional £2,100 available for students who live independently all year round such as mature, estranged or care leaver students.

EU students who can demonstrate that their household income is below £42,620 sterling or equivalent may also receive a Cambridge Bursary. Household income is the household (main residence) income before tax, but certain sums may be subtracted, such as pension payments. Normally this will mean income received by parent(s) or guardian(s).

If S.L.C assess your household income as below £25,000 (or GBP equivalent for E.U. students) then it is likely that you will qualify for the full bursary. If your household income is assessed as between £25,001 to £42,620 then you will qualify for a smaller bursary.

Please see the following link to the Cambridge Bursary website for further details
http://www.cambridgebursaryeligibilityandfurther-information

HARDSHIP FUND AND TRAVEL GRANTS
Students may be able to apply to the College or University Hardship Funds in exceptional circumstances and to the Travel/Research Grant Fund for one-off placement costs.