

NHS funding for Nursing & Midwifery 2011/12 entry

(Notes are overleaf)



Support for living costs See Note 1

You can apply for a non-income assessed NHS Bursary of £6701 p.a.. It is paid monthly over 12 months.

Support for tuition fees

The NHS pays your tuition fees regardless of family income.

Support for Placement costs

There is a non-income assessed allowance for travel costs to attend clinical placements.

Support via the University

Financial Contingency Fund Grants

These are –

- Income assessed
- A type of top-up support
- Non repayable
- And you can apply each year

For further information contact a Student Adviser at the Student Support Centre (See overleaf).

Extra Allowances

You can apply for extra support via the NHS Bursary scheme if you have children or an adult who is financially dependent on you. The allowances are non-repayable.

All of this extra support is income assessed against household income.

Other support

There is financial and practical support if you anticipate that you will have learning support needs, and possibly extra costs, due to a disability or dyslexia and studying at university.

Financial support is via the 'Disabled Students' Allowance' scheme. To find out more contact us at the Student Support Centre and ask for someone in the Disability or Dyslexia team. See overleaf.

Type of allowance	Maximum amount per year
Dependants' Allowance	
Adult or eldest child	£2238
Each other child	£539
Parents Learning Allowance	£1104
Childcare Allowance	Up to 85% of costs
for registered childcare costs	

See Note 2

Benefits & tax credits See Note 3

It may be possible to claim these if you have children, live with a spouse/partner or you have a disability.

Note 1

The rates of Bursary etc in this guide are based on 2010/11 entry. As yet we are not aware of any changes to the rates for 2011/12 entry. We are also not aware of any changes to NHS Funding from 2012 onwards. There may be a review of NHS funding for 2012 entry. Please check our web pages for updates.

To qualify for NHS Funding you must have been allocated a NHS Funded place by the University and you must have 'settled status' and have lived in the UK for 3 years prior to the course. **The funding in this guide also applies to Graduate Entrants on the Postgraduate Diploma Nursing course.** Nursing & Midwifery students are not eligible to apply for Student Loans and are not eligible for the University Bursary scheme.

You can apply for the NHS Bursary when you have received an offer of a place. Applications are processed via the School of Nursing Finance Office.

Telephone (029) 20917713 or email sonmsfinance@cardiff.ac.uk

Note 2

Extra allowances are assessed against your household income so this would include the net salary of a spouse or partner. Deductions from income are made for rent or mortgage costs up to £6000 p.a. Your NHS funding, your part-time earnings, tax credits paid to you and most benefits are disregarded.

Students who qualify for full entitlement to extra allowances are usually single parents and students with a spouse or partner on Means-tested Benefits or an equivalent income. If your household receives Working Tax Credit you may qualify for some extra support if you expect to incur full-time or significant registered childcare costs. An 'Extra Allowances Funding Guide' is available to read or download on our web pages at www.cardiff.ac.uk/studentsupport/ , our guides are under the 'Advice & Guidance' section.

Note 3

If you or your family currently claim benefits and/or tax credits and you would like to know how these are likely to be affected by you studying at university contact a Student Adviser at the Student Support Centre, Cardiff University. Many single parent Nursing students relying mainly on NHS Funding & Child Tax Credit and who pay rent qualify for some housing benefit while studying.

Whatever your circumstances we can offer advice about what benefits & tax credits you and your family would be eligible to claim while you study at University.

For further information and advice go to

www.studentsupportcentre.cardiff.ac.uk and links 'Advice' & 'Funding'

OR

Phone the Student Support Centre on (029) 2074 2070 or (029) 2087 4844 and ask to speak to a Student Adviser

OR email studentsupportcentre@cardiff.ac.uk