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This is an important document, please read carefully and keep in a safe place.

Fee Finance and Student Support

This document applies to applicants for:

- (a) all undergraduate courses
- (b) the following postgraduate courses: -PGCE, MBBChir, Vet MB, Mus.B, MPhil Environmental Design Option B.

who are normally resident in:

- (i) England
- (ii) Wales
- (iii) Northern Ireland
- (iv) Scotland
- (v) Republic of Ireland
- (vi) Settled status, Islands or specific Overseas territories

and who will satisfy conditions on immigration status before 1 September 2024.*

To obtain finance for your studies at Queens' College, you should apply for **Student Support**. The place to apply to, and to find out more details about Student Support, is:

Student finance: Eligibility - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

- (i) If you live in England: Student Finance England.
 Please see http://www.gov.uk/student-finance. You can apply online.
- (ii) If you live in Wales: Student Finance Wales.
 Please see http://www.studentfinancewales.co.uk/. You can apply online.
- (iii) If you live in Northern Ireland: Student Finance NI.
 Please see http://www.studentfinanceni.co.uk/. You can apply online.
- (iv) If you live in **Scotland**: Student Awards Agency for Scotland (SAAS), tel: 0845 111 1711. Please see http://www.saas.gov.uk/. You can apply online.
- (V) If you live in the **Republic of Ireland**, UCAS will send you application forms, which are also available online. Please see: https://www.gov.uk > student-finance > eu-students

Studying in the UK: guidance for EU students - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Tel: +44 141 243 3570, e-mail: EU_Team@slc.co.uk, or by post:

Student Finance Services Student Loans Company PO Box 89 Darlington County Durham DL1 9AZ United Kingdom

Further student information also available at:Twitter: @SF_England and Facebook: @SFEngland For convenience, we shall refer below to all the above bodies as *your LA*.

* If you currently do not qualify as a *Home* student because of immigration status, but you hope to do so by a change of immigration status, then that change must have been completed before
 1 September 2024, otherwise, you will be liable for the higher overseas rate of University Tuition Fee plus College Fees.

What is Student Support and why should I apply?

Student Support differs according to which country you reside in; please consult the sources above for details. The most important elements for students from England, Wales and Northern Ireland are a Tuition Fee Loan and a Maintenance Loan. Some support is subject to an Income Assessment, and some is not. If you wish to be a candidate under the **Cambridge Bursary Scheme**, you **must** apply to be income-assessed.

Cambridge applicants *should* apply for Student Support in general, and the income-assessed Maintenance Loan if their family income is less than £62,349.00 (23/24 figure) and in particular, if their family income is less than £42,875 (23/24 figure), even if they do not wish to take out a Tuition Fee Loan or Maintenance Loan. Your entitlement to other possible benefits (such as the Cambridge Bursary Scheme and other forms of hardship support) will depend on you having been through the income assessment process.

You should apply as soon as possible, (applications usually open in February) and in any event not later than the last Friday in May. You should apply now even though your offer of admission is conditional on future exam results.

Application procedures

See the web sites quoted above for details of the application procedures. The following notes provide advice on answering some of the questions that you might be asked.

Name of institution:

The "University or college name and address" is: **Queens' College, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, CB3 9ET**, and not just Cambridge or University of Cambridge. The UCAS code for Cambridge is **C05** and the UCAS Campus Code for Queens' College is **Q**.

Course details:

For "Course Name", give the name of the Tripos for which you hold an offer of admission. When presented with options choose:

- Integrated Masters Degree (4 years) if you are applying for any variety of Chemical Engineering, Engineering, Natural Sciences or Mathematics.
- Bachelor Degree with Honours Intercalculated (6 years) if you are applying for **Medicine** or **Veterinary Medicine** (MBB.Chir/Vet.M.B.)
- Postgraduate ITT with QTS for the **PGCE** course.
- Bachelor Degree with Honours for other Undergraduate subjects.

Course length:

If you are applying to study:

- Engineering, Chemical Engineering or Manufacturing Engineering;
- Asian and Middle-Eastern Studies;
- Modern Languages;
- Natural Sciences;
- Computer Science;
- Mathematics;

<u>Apply for four years</u> of support to preserve the option of completing four years. This can be stopped in your 3rd year if need be.

- The B.A./Vet.M.B. course in Veterinary Medicine is six years long.
- The B.A./M.B.B.Chir. course in Medicine is six years long.

- The B.A. course in **Architecture** is three years long, but you should apply for **four years** support to include architectural school afterwards.
- Other courses leading to the B.A. degree are normally three years long, but you should apply for **four years** of student support if you plan to combine a two-year Part 1 Tripos with a two-year Part II Tripos in another subject.

For "Full tuition fee amount for academic year 2024/25", enter **£9,250** in respect of the fees for the University of Cambridge.

Data Sharing Consents:

We recommend that you/your parents do *not* tick the boxes signifying refusal to allow data sharing from the LA/SLC to us. If you signify consent, then the SLC can communicate directly with the college about your entitlement to support, which will enable us (a) to evaluate your entitlement to the Cambridge Bursary Scheme, and (b) to issue you with appropriate bills for University Tuition Fees, having deducted your Tuition Fee Loan.

Exemption from College Fees:

The application for Student Support described above relates to support for Maintenance and University Tuition Fees. At Cambridge, the separate colleges also charge a College Fee, to cover the costs of the educational services they provide. You have been offered a place at Queens' as a Home Student, which means we have determined you are exempt from paying this based on the information you have already provided and in accordance with the Student Fees (Qualifying Courses and Persons Regulations 2008). If we need any further information from you to determine this, we will contact you. For reference, in 2024/25 the undergraduate College Fee at Queens' College will be £11,526.00.

However, applicants (other than PGCEs, or MBs transferring from pre-clinical courses elsewhere) who already hold an Honours degree or equivalent **will** have to pay College Fees in addition to University Fees. International students have to pay both College and University Fees.

IMPORTANT

After your Student Support application and before you come to college:

If your Student Support application is successful, you will receive a **University or College Payment Advice** from Student Finance or an **Award Letter** from SAAS. It is essential that the **Financial Office** here at Queens' College receives a copy of that document **as soon as possible** after you receive it: do not wait until we send you a bill for Fees, or until you arrive in College. If the *University or College Payment Advice* is sent to you in multiple hard copies, please send a photocopy, photograph or scan and send to the Financial Office and retain the original. These documents are likely to be sent to you electronically through your Student Finance log-in within a document titled *Online Notification of Entitlement*: please email the documents directly to **fees@queens.cam.ac.uk**.

If your Student Support application is unsuccessful on grounds of residence or immigration status, then it is possible that you will be reclassified as an **Overseas Student**, subject to higher rates of fees, both University and College.

As soon as we receive your *University or College Payment Advice*, your invoice for University Fees will be reduced by the amount of the Tuition Fee Loan granted, and you will be exempted from College Fees. We also use the *University or College Payment Advice* and *Student Finance Breakdown* to establish your eligibility for support under the Cambridge Bursary Scheme.

We aim to send out Fee Bills in mid-September. If we have not received your *University or College Payment Advice*, the bill will be for the full amount of University Tuition Fees (£9,250), as if you were a Privately-Funded Student, due by 8th October 2024. If we *have* received your *University or College Payment Advice*, then the fee bill will be reduced accordingly.

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You will be allowed to defer payment if your *University or College Payment Advice* is delayed for reasons outside your control.Otherwise, we accept payment of Fees in a single annual lump sum in advance (via our Online Payment Portal http://studentaccounts.quns.cam.ac.uk/ other options available are by bank transfer or Transfermate).

When you come to Cambridge:

You must bring with you:

- a further copy of your *University or College Payment Advice*;
- photographic id (passport, driving licence).

These will be used as evidence of your attendance to enable your maintenance loan (and Cambridge Bursary, if applicable) to be released to you from SLC by direct transfer to your bank account. You will not receive loan payments until you have presented (emailed) the above documentation in person to us.

After you come to Cambridge - the Cambridge Bursary Scheme:

The College will write to you in early October if you appear to be eligible for support under the Cambridge Bursary Scheme following your income assessment by SLC. The sum due will be credited to your bank account in the fourth week of each full Term. Only those in receipt of an enhanced Maintenance Loan under the Student Support arrangements will be eligible for a Cambridge Bursary. For more information, see: http://www.admin.cam.ac.uk/univ/cambridgebursary/

What do I do next?

- 1. Make sure you apply to your appropriate LA for Student Support before their deadline **(usually mid May).**
- 2. Fill in the **Financial Information Form** on the website sent with this letter, so that we know who is providing your Student Support and what documents to expect from you.
- 3. If you are not applying for Student Support, then please indicate this on the **Financial Information Form**.
- 4. Remember to copy to the Financial Office (fees@queens.cam.ac.uk) your *University or College Payment Advice* or *Financial Notification* as soon as you receive it.
- 5. When you come to college, remember to bring your own copy of your *University or College Payment advice*, and photo ID (passport or driving licence).

It is important that you apply to, and respond to, your LA and the SLC promptly, and copy the *University or College Payment Advice* to College in good time. If you are likely to be away from home at any stage between now and when you start at College, you should make arrangements for someone else to act on your behalf in these and all other matters concerning your start at university.

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