



Funding for placements and outgoing Erasmus students Student Money and Accommodation Advice

Placement in the UK

The following table lays out what funding may be available for students on course-integrated placements in the UK.

Paid placement where study is more than 10 weeks	Paid placement where study is less than 10 weeks	Unpaid placement where study is more than 10 weeks	Unpaid placement where study is less than 10 weeks
Students can apply for full Student Support.	Students can apply for a reduced rate Maintenance Loan (£3,699 if living away from parental home; £1,976 if living in parental home) and a Tuition Fee Loan only.	Students can apply for full Student Support.	Students can apply for a reduced rate Maintenance Loan and a Tuition Fee Loan only, unless they are doing one of certain specified placements in the public or voluntary sectors*, in which case they can apply for full Student Support.

*Unpaid service in a hospital or in a public health service laboratory or with a Clinical Commissioning group in the UK; unpaid service with a local authority in the UK acting in the exercise of its functions relating to the care of children and young persons, health or welfare or with a voluntary organisation providing facilities or carrying out activities of a like nature in the UK, or a Local Authority acting in the exercise of public health functions; unpaid service in prison or probation and aftercare service in the UK; unpaid research in an institution in the UK or, in the case of a student attending an overseas institution as part of his course, in an overseas institution; unpaid service with a Special Health Authority, the National Health Service Commissioning Board, the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence, the Health and Social Care Information Centre, Local Health Board, Health Board, Special Health Board or Health and Social Services Board in England or Wales, or their Scottish or Northern Irish equivalents.

Study Abroad

Student Funding

Full-time undergraduates who study outside the UK as part of their course are eligible for loans for living costs from Student Finance England in the usual way. The maximum loan for living costs for students studying overseas as part of their UK course is £9,963 (£11,090 if you are a full-time student who qualifies for benefits).

Travel Grant

If you are studying abroad for the majority of a term you could receive a Travel Grant. This covers the cost of all necessary qualifying travel, less a disregard of £303. You must fund the first £303 of travel yourself. The grant also covers other incidental costs such as visas, vaccinations and medical insurance. You can apply for the Travel Grant on the main application for full-time student finance. Student Finance England will then send eligible students a Travel Grant application form.

The Travel Grant is income-assessed.

Erasmus

Under the Erasmus scheme, in addition to the Student Finance England funding package and Travel Grant (see above), you can normally also receive a non-means-tested Erasmus Grant. For criteria and restrictions, please read the Erasmus webpages:

www.londonmet.ac.uk/international/study-abroad-programmes/outgoing-students/erasmus/

The Erasmus grant is paid in two instalments: London Met aims to make the first payment within the first month of the commencement of your placement but this depends on you returning the relevant paperwork on time.

Post-2012 starters who qualify for UK student funding and study abroad for a year will be charged £1,385 by London Met, and may apply for a fee loan from Student Finance England to meet this cost. If you study for a semester abroad than full fees are due.

From 2014/15 Erasmus years will be counted by Student Finance England in previous study calculations.

Insurance

Some institutions require that you have proof of insurance before you can enrol; but even if they do not, make sure you insure yourself for £1,000,000 medical costs and repatriation in case something goes seriously wrong while you are away. Turkish universities will ask you to buy their own health insurance as it is now a requirement to have the policy written in Turkish, with your name and date of birth on it, in order to secure a Turkish residency permit. This can cost around £165 but is one of the extra expenditures that your Erasmus grant is intended for.

There is free travel insurance cover available for students under London Met's insurance policy. The cover is fully comprehensive, however it does not provide cover for civil liability required by some French universities. The cover is for London Met students only and it does not cover dependents. Please ensure that you complete the insurance form provided by the International Programmes Office. You will receive your insurance policy by email.

If you would like further information about the University's insurance policy, you can contact our Insurance Officer – Donna Isaacs – d.isaacs@londonmet.ac.uk

How to contact us

Telephone your Student Hub and ask to book a phone or face-to-face appointment with a Student Money and Accommodation Adviser:

Aldgate – 020 7133 7002; Holloway – 020 7133 7001; Moorgate – 020 7133 7003

Email: SMAA@londonmet.ac.uk

Website: www.londonmet.ac.uk/advice

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