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**The Education (Student Support)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005**

PART 4

GRANTS FOR FEES

Amount of grants for fees

12.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the amount of the grant for fees in respect of an academic year of a course at a publicly-funded institution shall be equal to the fees payable by the eligible student in respect of, or otherwise in connection with, his attendance on the designated course for that academic year.

(2) The amount of the grant for fees in respect of an academic year of a course referred to in paragraph (1) shall not exceed—

- (a) in the case of a course or academic year not covered by any other sub-paragraph of this paragraph, £1,175;
- (b) for the final year of the course where that year is ordinarily required to be completed after less than 15 weeks' attendance, £570;
- (c) for the academic year of a sandwich course during which any periods of full-time study are in aggregate less than 10 weeks, £570;
- (d) for the academic year of a course referred to in paragraph 4 of Schedule 3 during which any periods of full-time study are in aggregate less than 10 weeks, £570;
- (e) for the academic year of a course provided in conjunction with an overseas institution during which the periods of full-time study at the institution in the United Kingdom or the Republic of Ireland are in aggregate less than 10 weeks, £570;
- (f) in the case of a sandwich course or a course provided in conjunction with an overseas institution where the periods of full-time study at the institution in the United Kingdom or the Republic of Ireland are 10 weeks or more, but in respect of the academic year and any previous such academic years the aggregate of any one or two periods of attendance which are not periods of full-time study at the institution (disregarding intervening vacations) exceeds 30 weeks, £570;
- (g) in the case of a course provided by the British Institute in Paris which began before 1st September 2001, £570;
- (h) in the case of a course or academic year at a university or relevant institution of higher education in the Republic of Ireland, an amount specified by the Department in writing;
- (i) in the case of courses or academic years for the degrees of Bachelor of Divinity, Bachelor of Theology, Bachelor of Arts (Joint Honours) or the Diploma in Theology of the Queen's University of Belfast, undertaken at the Union of Theological College, the Edgehill College, the Irish Baptist College, Belfast or the Belfast Bible College, £1,100.

(3) Subject to paragraph (4), the amount of the grant for fees in respect of an academic year of a course at an institution in the United Kingdom which is not publicly funded shall be equal to the fees payable by the eligible student in respect of, or otherwise in connection with, his attendance on the designated course for that academic year.

(4) The amount of the grant for fees in respect of an academic year of a course referred to in paragraph (3) shall not exceed—

(a) in the case of a course not covered by sub-paragraph (b)—

(i) where it is provided on behalf of a publicly-funded institution and it begins on or after 1st September 2001, the amount which would be available under paragraph (1) if the course were provided at the institution on whose behalf it is provided;

(ii) otherwise, £1,100;

(b) in the case of a course at the University of Buckingham, £2,770, in the case of a course at the Guildhall School of Music, £4,250, and in the case of a course at Heythrop College, £2,095.

(5) For the purposes of this regulation, an institution which provides courses designated by regulation 4 of the Education (Student Support) (Dance and Drama) Regulations 1999⁽¹⁾ shall not be regarded as publicly funded by reason only that it receives public funds from the governing body of a higher education institution in accordance with section 65(3A) of the Further and Higher Education Act 1992.

(6) A deduction may be made from the grant for fees in accordance with regulation 30.

(1) [S.I. 1999/2263](#), amended by [S.I. 2001/2893](#)