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**The Education (Student Support)
(European Institutions) Regulations 1999**

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The Secretary of State for Education and Employment, in exercise of the powers conferred on the Secretary of State by sections 22, 42(6) and 43(1) of the Teaching and Higher Education Act 1998(1), hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Education (Student Support) (European Institutions) Regulations 1999 and shall come into force on 1st September 1999.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Regulations, except where the context otherwise requires—

“the Act” means the Teaching and Higher Education Act 1998;

“designated course” means a course designated by regulation 4;

“the Student Support Regulations” means the Education (Student Support) Regulations 1999(2) as amended from time to time, and any Regulations made under section 22 of the Act replacing such Regulations.

(2) Subject to paragraph (1) expressions in these Regulations have the same meaning as they have in the Student Support Regulations.

Eligibility

3.—(1) Subject to and in accordance with these Regulations a person shall be eligible for support in connection with his attendance at a designated course which begins on or after 1st September 1999 if—

(1) 1998 c. 30.

(2) S.I.1999/496.

- (a) he would be eligible for support under the Student Support Regulations if the course were a designated course for the purposes of those Regulations;
 - (b) in the case of a course provided by the European University Institute—
 - (i) he is a national of the United Kingdom for the purposes of European Community law;
 - (ii) he is not a person mentioned in paragraph 7 of Schedule 1 to the Student Support Regulations and not in any other paragraph of that Schedule;
 - (c) before the first day of the first academic year of the course he has not attained the age of—
 - (i) 40, if the course is provided by the College of Europe,
 - (ii) 35, if the course is provided by the European University Institute or the Bologna Centre,unless the Secretary of State considers that in all the circumstances the requirements in this sub-paragraph should not apply; and
 - (d) the Secretary of State has determined that by reason of merit he shall be eligible for support in connection with his attendance at the course.
- (2) The number of persons who the Secretary of State has determined shall be eligible for support in connection with attendance at courses which begin during any 12 month period beginning on 1st September shall not exceed—
- (a) in the case of courses provided by the College of Europe, 22;
 - (b) in the case of courses provided by the European University Institute, 26;
 - (c) in the case of courses provided by the Bologna Centre, 2.

Designated courses

4. A course shall be designated for the purposes of section 22(1) of the Act and regulation 3 if it is—
- (a) a postgraduate or comparable course;
 - (b) a full-time course;
 - (c) of at least one academic year's duration; and
 - (d) provided by—
 - (i) the College of Europe;
 - (ii) the European University Institute; or
 - (iii) the Bologna Centre.

Application for financial support

5.—(1) With such modifications as may be necessary a person shall apply for support under these Regulations as if he were applying for support under the Student Support Regulations, and shall comply with and be subject to the provisions of those Regulations.

(2) If the Secretary of State considers that an applicant is eligible for support in connection with his attendance at a course he shall notify him of that fact.

(3) Regulations 8 and 9 of the Student Support Regulations shall apply to applicants and persons eligible for support under these Regulations as they apply to applicants and eligible students under those Regulations.

Grants for study at the College of Europe

6.—(1) Subject to and in accordance with these Regulations a person who is eligible for support in connection with his attendance at a course provided by the College of Europe shall in respect of each academic year be eligible for a grant for—

- (a) fees equal to the aggregate of any fees payable by him in respect of, or otherwise in connection with, his attendance on the course not exceeding 7,500 euros;
- (b) board and lodging at the College of 4,500 euros;
- (c) living costs in the amount of—
 - (i) £2,235.10, where the person attends the College at Bruges;
 - (ii) £2,197.37, where the person attends the College at Natolin; and
- (d) the reasonable cost of three return journeys from the person's home in the United Kingdom to the College, less £85.

(2) A person who is eligible for a grant under this Regulation shall not be eligible for a grant under sub-paragraphs (b) to (d) if he is a person mentioned in paragraph 7 of Schedule 1 to the Student Support Regulations and not in any other paragraph of that Schedule.

Grant for study at the European University Institute

7. Subject to and in accordance with these Regulations a person who is eligible for support in connection with his attendance at a course provided by the European University Institute shall in respect of each academic year be eligible for a grant for—

- (a) living costs of 10,777.42 euros;
- (b) dependants calculated in accordance with regulation 15 of the Student Support Regulations;
- (c) the reasonable cost of one return journey from the person's home in the United Kingdom to the Institute;
- (d) the reasonable cost of travel between the person's residence while attending the Institute and the Institute; and
- (e) where the ordinary duration of the course is more than one academic year, the reasonable cost of insuring against liability for the cost of medical treatment provided outside the United Kingdom.

Grant for study at the Bologna Centre

8. Subject to and in accordance with these Regulations a person who is eligible for support in connection with his attendance at a course provided by the Bologna Centre shall in respect of the academic year of the course be eligible for grant for fees equal to the aggregate of any fees payable by him in respect of, or otherwise in connection with, his attendance on the course not exceeding US \$21,800.

Means test

9.—(1) In the case of a grant under regulation 6 or 7 a contribution in respect of an academic year shall be calculated in accordance with regulation 21 of and Schedule 3 to the Student Support Regulations as modified by this regulation and the contribution shall be applied in accordance with this regulation.

(2) In paragraph 4(1) of Schedule 3 to the Student Support Regulations for the amounts specified in column one below there shall be substituted the corresponding amounts in column two below:

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£13.00	£9.30
9.20	6.60
7.50	5.30

(3) In paragraph 8(2) of Schedule 3 to the Student Support Regulations for the amounts specified in column one below there shall be substituted the corresponding amounts specified in column two below:

£9.80	£7.00
7.05	5.00
5.60	4.00

(4) In the case of a grant under regulation 7 when calculating a student's contribution no parental contribution shall be applicable under Part II of Schedule 3 to the Student Support Regulations.

(5) The amount of grant for living costs under regulation 6(c) shall be the amount remaining after subtracting the student's contribution, and where the contribution exceeds the amount of such grant it shall be reduced to nil, and the balance of the contribution not required to reduce the amount to nil shall be subtracted from the amount of grant for board and lodging under regulation 6(b).

(6) Where by virtue of paragraph (5) no grant for board and lodging is payable under regulation 6(b) no grant for travel costs shall be payable under regulation 6(d).

(7) The amount of grant for living costs under regulation 7(a) shall be the amount remaining after subtracting the student's contribution, and where the contribution exceeds the amount of such grant it shall be reduced to nil, and the balance of any contribution not required to reduce the amount to nil shall be subtracted from the amount of grant for dependants under regulation 7(b).

(8) The Secretary of State may require a student to provide from time to time such information as he considers necessary as to the income of any person whose means are relevant to the assessment of his contribution.

Payments

10.—(1) The Secretary of State shall pay grant for fees for which a student is eligible when a valid request for payment has been received from the academic authority, payment to be made to the authority in such instalments (if any) and at such times as he considers appropriate.

(2) The Secretary of State shall pay all other grants for which a student is eligible in such instalments (if any) and at such times as he considers appropriate; and in the exercise of his functions under this paragraph he may in particular make provisional payments pending the final calculation of the amount of grant for which the student is eligible.

6th August 1999

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations, which come into force on 1st September 1999, are made under section 22 of the Teaching and Higher Education Act 1998. They make provision for grants by the Secretary of State for postgraduate study at three European institutions: the College of Europe, the European University Institute and the Bologna Centre.

The requirements for eligibility are broadly the same as those found in the Education (Student Support) Regulations 1999, with minor modifications (regulation 3). In particular eligible students are selected by the Secretary of State on the basis of merit (regulation 3(1)(d)). Applications also follow the provisions of those Regulations (regulation 5).

Grants for study at the College of Europe cover fees, board and lodging, living costs and certain travel costs (regulation 6). Grants for study at the European Institute cover living costs, provision for dependants, certain travel costs and medical insurance (regulation 7). Grants for study at these two institutions are subject to a means test, broadly the same as that found in the Education (Student Support) Regulations 1999, with minor modifications (regulation 9).

Grants for study at the Bologna Centre cover fees, and are not means tested (regulation 8).