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# **EDUCATION, WALES**

# The Education (Student Support) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2021

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The Welsh Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred on the Secretary of State by sections 22 and 42(6) of the Teaching and Higher Education Act 1998(1), and now exercisable by them(2) make the following Regulations:

### PART 1

# TITLE, COMMENCEMENT AND APPLICATION

### Title, commencement and application

- **1.**—(1) The title of these Regulations is the Education (Student Support) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2021.
- (2) These Regulations come into force on 26 February 2021 and apply to the provision of support to students in relation to an academic year which begins on or after 1 August 2021, whether anything done under these Regulations is done before, on or after that date.

<sup>(1) 1998</sup> c. 30; Section 22 was amended by the Learning and Skills Act 2000 (c. 21), section 146 and Schedule 11; the Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003 (c. 1), Schedule 6; the Finance Act 2003 (c. 14), section 147; the Higher Education Act 2004 (c. 8), sections 42 and 43 and Schedule 7; the Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009 (c. 22), section 257; the Education Act 2011 (c. 21), section 76; S.I. 2013/1881 and the Higher Education and Research Act 2017 (c. 29), section 88. See section 43(1) of the Teaching and Higher Education Act 1998 for the definition of "prescribed" and "regulations".

<sup>(2)</sup> The Secretary of State's functions in section 22(2)(a) to (i) and (k) were transferred to the National Assembly for Wales so far as they relate to making provision in relation to Wales by section 44 of the Higher Education Act 2004 (c. 8), with subsection (2) (a), (c) and (k) being exercisable concurrently with the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State's function in section 42 was transferred, in so far as exercisable in relation to Wales, to the National Assembly for Wales by the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999, article 2 and Schedule 1 (S.I. 1999/672). The functions of the National Assembly for Wales were transferred to the Welsh Ministers under paragraph 30 of Schedule 11 to the Government of Wales Act 2006 (c. 32).

# PART 2

# **DISABLED STUDENTS' GRANTS**

#### CHAPTER 1

# AMENDMENTS TO THE EDUCATION (STUDENT SUPPORT) (WALES) REGULATIONS 2017

#### Amendments to the Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2017

- **2.** The Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2017(**3**) are amended in accordance with regulations 3 to 7.
  - 3. In regulation 24 (grants for disabled students' living costs)—
    - (a) for paragraph (3) substitute—
      - "(3) The amount of the grant for disabled students' living costs must not exceed—
        - (a) £31,831 in respect of an academic year for expenditure on a non-medical personal helper, major items of specialist equipment and any other expenditure the eligible student incurs in connection with the course by reason of the student's disability (apart from the expenditure specified in sub-paragraph (b)); and
        - (b) the additional expenditure incurred—
          - (i) within the United Kingdom for the purpose of attending the institution; and
          - (ii) within or outside the United Kingdom for the purpose of attending, as part of the eligible student's course, any period of study at an overseas institution or for the purpose of attending the Institute.";
    - (b) in paragraph (6), for "paragraphs (7) and (8)" substitute "paragraph (8)";
    - (c) omit paragraph (7);
    - (d) in paragraph (8), for "paragraph (3)(a), (c) and (d) in respect of such quarters as begin after the relevant event occurs" substitute "paragraph (3)(a) and (b) in respect of the academic year from the date that the relevant event listed in regulation 23(12) occurs".
  - **4.** In regulation 71 (grant for disabled distance learning students' living costs)—
    - (a) for paragraph (8) substitute—
      - "(8) The amount of the grant under this regulation must not exceed—
        - (a) £31,831 in respect of an academic year for expenditure on a non-medical personal helper, major items of specialist equipment and any other expenditure the eligible distance learning student incurs in connection with the course by reason of the student's disability (apart from the expenditure specified in subparagraph (b)); and
        - (b) the additional expenditure incurred—
          - (i) within the United Kingdom for the purpose of attending the institution; and
          - (ii) within or outside the United Kingdom for the purpose of attending, as part of the eligible distance learning student's course, any period of study at an overseas institution or for the purpose of attending the Institute.";

<sup>(3)</sup> S.I. 2017/47 (W. 21), amended by S.I. 2018/191 (W. 42), S.I. 2018/814 (W. 165), S.I. 2019/235 (W. 54), S.I. 2019/1094, S.I. 2019/1192 (W. 209), S.I. 2020/142 (W. 25), S.I. 2020/153 (W. 27), S.I. 2020/708 (W. 159), S.I. 2020/1302 (W. 287) and S.I. 2021/9 (W. 4).

- (b) in paragraph (9), for "paragraphs (10) and (11)" substitute "paragraph (11)";
- (c) omit paragraph (10);
- (d) in paragraph (11), for "paragraph (8)(a), (c) and (d) in respect of such quarters as begin after the relevant event in regulation 65(4) occurs" substitute "paragraph (8)(a) and (b) in respect of the academic year from the date that the relevant event listed in regulation 65(4) occurs".
- 5. In regulation 88 (grants for disabled part-time students' living costs)—
  - (a) for paragraph (3) substitute—
    - "(3) The amount of the grant must not exceed—
      - (a) £31,831 in respect of an academic year for expenditure on a non-medical personal helper, major items of specialist equipment and any other expenditure the eligible part-time student incurs in connection with the course by reason of the student's disability (apart from the expenditure specified in subparagraph (b)); and
      - (b) the additional expenditure incurred—
        - (i) within the United Kingdom for the purpose of attending the institution; and
        - (ii) within or outside the United Kingdom for the purpose of attending, as part of the eligible part-time student's course, any period of study at an overseas institution or for the purpose of attending the Institute.";
  - (b) in paragraph (4), for "paragraphs (5) and (6)" substitute "paragraph (6)";
  - (c) omit paragraph (5);
  - (d) in paragraph (6), for "paragraph (3)(a), (c) and (d) in respect of such quarters as begin after the relevant event in regulation 82(4) occurs" substitute "paragraph (3)(a) and (b) in respect of the academic year from the date that the relevant event listed in regulation 82(4) occurs".
- **6.** In regulation 110 (eligible postgraduate students), in paragraph (8), for "117(3)(c)(ii)" substitute "117(2)(b)(ii)".
  - 7. In regulation 117 (amount of grant)—
    - (a) for paragraph (2) substitute—
      - "(2) The grant must not exceed—
        - (a) £31,831 in respect of expenditure on a non-medical personal helper, major items of specialist equipment and any other expenditure the eligible postgraduate student incurs in connection with the course by reason of the student's disability; and
        - (b) the additional expenditure incurred—
          - (i) within the United Kingdom for the purpose of attending the institution;
          - (ii) within or outside the United Kingdom for the purpose of attending, as part of the course, any period of study at an overseas institution or for the purposes of attending the Institute.";
    - (b) for paragraph (3) substitute—
      - "(3) For the purposes of this Part, the "types of eligible expenditure" means the expenditure described in paragraph (2)(a) and (b).";
    - (c) in paragraph (4), for "paragraphs (5) and (6)" substitute "paragraph (6)";
    - (d) omit paragraph (5);

(e) in paragraph (6), for "for the purposes specified in paragraph (3)(a) and (c) in respect of such quarters as begin after the relevant event occurs" substitute "for the purposes specified in paragraph (2)(a) and (b) in respect of the academic year from the date that the relevant event listed in regulation 111(2) occurs".

#### **CHAPTER 2**

# AMENDMENTS TO THE EDUCATION (STUDENT SUPPORT) (WALES) REGULATIONS 2018

# Amendments to the Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2018

- **8.** The Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2018(**4**) are amended in accordance with regulations 9 to 12.
  - 9. In regulation 63 (amount of disabled student's grant), for paragraph (2) substitute—
    - "(2) The Cases and limits are—

Case 1

Expenditure required on a non-medical personal helper, major items of specialist equipment and any other expenditure the eligible student incurs in connection with the course by reason of the student's disability (apart from the expenditure specified in Case 2).

Limit of £31,831 in respect of an academic year of a course.

Case 2

Additional expenditure incurred—

- (a) within the United Kingdom for the purpose of attending an institution, and
- (b) within or outside the United Kingdom for the purpose of attending, as part of the present course, any period of study at an overseas institution (including the University of London Institute in Paris).

Limited to the actual expenditure incurred for this purpose."

- 10. In regulation 85 (payment of grants and maintenance loans)—
  - (a) in paragraph (3), for "paragraphs (4) and (5)" substitute "paragraph (5)";
  - (b) omit paragraph (4).
- 11. In Schedule 4 (disabled postgraduate student's grant)—
  - (a) in paragraph 14(2), for "the quarter or quarters of the academic year beginning after the relevant event occurs" substitute "the academic year from the date that the relevant event occurs";
  - (b) in paragraph 18(6)(d), for "of the purposes" substitute "type of expenditure";
  - (c) in paragraph 20—
    - (i) for sub-paragraph (1) substitute—
      - "(1) The amount of disabled postgraduate student's grant payable to an eligible postgraduate student in respect of an academic year is the amount—
        - (a) which the Welsh Ministers think appropriate, but
        - (b) which does not exceed the aggregate amount of the limits applicable in respect of the Cases listed in sub-paragraph (2).";

<sup>(4)</sup> S.I. 2018/191 (W. 42), amended by S.I. 2018/813 (W. 164), S.I. 2018/814 (W. 165), S.I. 2019/235 (W. 54), S.I. 2019/1094, S.I. 2019/1192 (W. 209), S.I. 2020/142 (W. 25), S.I. 2020/153 (W. 27), S.I. 2020/708 (W. 159), S.I. 2020/1302 (W. 287) and S.I. 2021/9 (W. 4).

- (ii) for sub-paragraph (2) substitute—
  - "(2) The Cases and the limits are—

Case 1

Expenditure required on a non-medical personal helper, major items of specialist equipment and any other expenditure the eligible postgraduate student incurs in connection with the course by reason of the student's disability (apart from the expenditure specified in Case 2).

Limit of £31,831 in respect of an academic year of a course.

Case 2

Additional expenditure incurred—

- (a) within the United Kingdom for the purpose of attending an institution, and
- (b) within or outside the United Kingdom for the purpose of attending, as part of the present course, any period of study at an overseas institution (including the University of London Institute in Paris).

Limited to the actual expenditure incurred for this purpose."

- 12. In Schedule 7 (index of defined terms), in Table 16 omit—
  - (a) ""eligible expenditure" (in relation to disabled postgraduate student's grant)" in the first column, and
  - (b) the corresponding entry of "Schedule 4, paragraph 20(2)" in the second column.

# PART 3

#### AMOUNTS OF SUPPORT

#### CHAPTER 1

AMENDMENTS TO THE EDUCATION (STUDENT SUPPORT) (WALES) REGULATIONS 2017

# Amendments to the Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2017

**13.** The Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2017 are amended in accordance with regulations 14 to 25.

#### Amendments to regulation 16

- **14.** In regulation 16 (new fee grant)—
  - (a) in paragraph (3)—
    - (i) in sub-paragraph (a), for "£4,530" substitute "£4,395";
    - (ii) in sub-paragraph (b), for "£4,470" substitute "£4,605";
  - (b) in paragraph (4)—
    - (i) in sub-paragraph (a), for "£2,340" substitute "£2,270";
    - (ii) in sub-paragraph (b), for "£2,160" substitute "£2,230".

- **15.** In regulation 19 (new fee loan in respect of courses beginning on or after 1 September 2012)
  - (a) in paragraph (3)(a), for "£4,470" substitute "£4,605";
  - (b) in paragraph (4)(a), for "£2,160" substitute "£2,230".

# Amendments to regulation 26

- **16.** In regulation 26 (grants for dependants adult dependants' grant), in paragraph (3)—
  - (a) in sub-paragraph (a), for "£3,094" substitute "£3,190";
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (b), for "£3,094" substitute "£3,190".

### Amendments to regulation 27

- 17. In regulation 27 (grants for dependants childcare grant)—
  - (a) in paragraph (7)—
    - (i) in sub-paragraph (a), for "£174.22" substitute "£179.62";
    - (ii) in sub-paragraph (b), for "£298.69" substitute "£307.95";
  - (b) in paragraph (9)(a), for "£134.70" substitute "£138.81".

#### Amendment to regulation 28

**18.** In regulation 28 (grants for dependants – parents' learning allowance), in paragraph (2), for "£1,766" substitute "£1,821".

#### Amendments to regulation 43

- 19. In regulation 43 (maximum amount of loans for eligible students with full entitlement who are 2010 cohort students, 2012 cohort students or 2012 accelerated graduate entry students undertaking their first year of study)—
  - (a) in paragraph (2)—
    - (i) in sub-paragraph (i), for "£5,848" substitute "£6,027";
    - (ii) in sub-paragraph (ii), for "£10,584" substitute "£10,907";
    - (iii) in sub-paragraph (iii), for "£9,008" substitute "£9,283";
    - (iv) in sub-paragraph (iv), for "£9,008" substitute "£9,283";
    - (v) in sub-paragraph (v), for "£7,555" substitute "£7,786";
  - (b) in paragraph (3)—
    - (i) in sub-paragraph (i), for "£5,295" substitute "£5,457";
    - (ii) in sub-paragraph (ii), for "£9,638" substitute "£9,932";
    - (iii) in sub-paragraph (iii), for "£7,835" substitute "£8,074";
    - (iv) in sub-paragraph (iv), for "£7,835" substitute "£8,074";
    - (v) in sub-paragraph (v), for "£6,999" substitute "£7,213".

#### Amendments to regulation 45

**20.** In regulation 45 (students with reduced entitlement)—

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(a) in paragraph (1), sub-paragraph (a)—
       (i) in paragraph (i), for "£2,777" substitute "£2,862";
      (ii) in paragraph (ii), for "£5,204" substitute "£5,363";
     (iii) in paragraph (iii), for "£4,428" substitute "£4,563";
     (iv) in paragraph (iv), for "£4,428" substitute "£4,563";
      (v) in paragraph (v), for "£3,702" substitute "£3,815";
(b) in paragraph (1), sub-paragraph (b)—
       (i) in paragraph (i), for "£2,777" substitute "£2,862";
      (ii) in paragraph (ii), for "£5,204" substitute "£5,363";
     (iii) in paragraph (iii), for "£4,428" substitute "£4,563";
     (iv) in paragraph (iv), for "£4,428" substitute "£4,563";
      (v) in paragraph (v), for "£3,702" substitute "£3,815";
(c) in paragraph (1), sub-paragraph (c)—
       (i) in paragraph (i), for "£4,386" substitute "£4,520";
      (ii) in paragraph (ii), for "£7,938" substitute "£8,180";
     (iii) in paragraph (iii), for "£6,756" substitute "£6,962";
     (iv) in paragraph (iv), for "£6,756" substitute "£6,962";
      (v) in paragraph (v), for "£5,666" substitute "£5,840";
(d) in paragraph (2), sub-paragraph (a)—
       (i) in paragraph (i), for "£2,111" substitute "£2,175";
      (ii) in paragraph (ii), for "£3,980" substitute "£4,102";
     (iii) in paragraph (iii), for "£2,885" substitute "£2,973";
     (iv) in paragraph (iv), for "£2,885" substitute "£2,973";
      (v) in paragraph (v), for "£2,885" substitute "£2,973";
(e) in paragraph (2), sub-paragraph (b)—
       (i) in paragraph (i), for "£2,111" substitute "£2,175";
      (ii) in paragraph (ii), for "£3,980" substitute "£4,102";
     (iii) in paragraph (iii), for "£3,237" substitute "£3,336";
     (iv) in paragraph (iv), for "£3,237" substitute "£3,336";
      (v) in paragraph (v), for "£2,885" substitute "£2,973";
(f) in paragraph (2), sub-paragraph (c)—
       (i) in paragraph (i), for "£3,971" substitute "£4,093";
      (ii) in paragraph (ii), for "£7,228" substitute "£7,449";
     (iii) in paragraph (iii), for "£5,876" substitute "£6,056";
     (iv) in paragraph (iv), for "£5,876" substitute "£6,056";
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21. In regulation 50 (increases in maximum amount), in paragraph (1)—

(v) in paragraph (v), for "£5,249" substitute "£5,410".

(a) in sub-paragraph (a), for "£86" substitute "£89";

- (b) in sub-paragraph (b), for "£167" substitute "£172";
- (c) in sub-paragraph (c), for "£182" substitute "£188";
- (d) in sub-paragraph (d), for "£182" substitute "£188";
- (e) in sub-paragraph (e), for "£131" substitute "£135".

- 22. In regulation 56 (application of contribution)—
  - (a) in paragraph (3)—
    - (i) in sub-paragraph (a), for "£4,147" substitute "£4,520";
    - (ii) in sub-paragraph (b), for "£7,505" substitute "£8,180";
    - (iii) in sub-paragraph (c), for "£6,388" substitute "£6,962";
    - (iv) in sub-paragraph (d), for "£6,388" substitute "£6,962";
    - (v) in sub-paragraph (e), for "£5,357" substitute "£5,840";
  - (b) in paragraph (4)—
    - (i) in sub-paragraph (a), for "£3,755" substitute "£4,093";
    - (ii) in sub-paragraph (b), for "£6,834" substitute "£7,449";
    - (iii) in sub-paragraph (c), for "£5,556" substitute "£6,056";
    - (iv) in sub-paragraph (d), for "£5,556" substitute "£6,056";
    - (v) in sub-paragraph (e), for "£4,963" substitute "£5,410".

### Amendments to regulation 91

- 23. In regulation 91 (part-time adult dependants' grant), in paragraph (3)—
  - (a) in sub-paragraph (a), for "£3,094" substitute "£3,190";
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (b), for "£3,094" substitute "£3,190".

#### Amendments to regulation 92

- 24. In regulation 92 (part-time childcare grant)—
  - (a) in paragraph (6)—
    - (i) in sub-paragraph (a), for "£174.22" substitute "£179.62";
    - (ii) in sub-paragraph (b), for "£298.69" substitute "£307.95";
  - (b) in paragraph (8)(a), for "£134.70" substitute "£138.31".

### Amendment to regulation 93

**25.** In regulation 93 (part-time parents' learning allowance), in paragraph (2), for "£1,766" substitute "£1,821".

# **CHAPTER 2**

# AMENDMENTS TO THE EDUCATION (STUDENT SUPPORT) (WALES) REGULATIONS 2018

# Amendments to the Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2018

**26.** The Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2018 are amended in accordance with regulations 27 to 34.

# Amendment to regulation 55

27. In regulation 55 (amount of maintenance loan: full-time students), for Table 7 substitute—

"Column 1	Column 2	Column 3		Column 4
Academic year	Category of student	Location of student		Maximum amount of maintenance loan available to full-time student
Beginning on or	Category 1	Living at home		£6,650
after 1 September 2018 but before 1 September 2019		Living away from studying in London	home,	£10,250
		Living away from studying elsewhere	home,	£8,000
	Category 2	Living at home		£3,325
		Living away from studying in London	home,	£5,125
		Living away from studying elsewhere	home,	£4,000
Beginning on or	~ .	Living at home		£6,840
after 1 September 2019 but before 1 September 2020		Living away from studying in London	home,	£10,530
20 <b>2</b> 0		Living away from studying elsewhere	home,	£8,225
	Category 2	Living at home		£3,420
		Living away from studying in London	home,	£5,265
		Living away from studying elsewhere	home,	£4,110
Beginning on or	Category 1	Living at home		£7,335
after 1 September 2020 but before 1 September 2021		Living away from studying in London	home,	£11,260
r		Living away from studying elsewhere	home,	£8,810
	Category 2	Living at home		£3,665

"Column 1 Academic year	Column 2 Category of student	Column 3 Location of student		Column 4  Maximum amount of maintenance loan available to full-time student
		Living away from studying in London	home,	£5,630
		Living away from studying elsewhere	home,	£4,405
Beginning on or	Category 1	Living at home		£7,790
after 1 September 2021		Living away from studying in London	home,	£11,930
		Living away from studying elsewhere	home,	£9,350
	Category 2	Living at home		£3,895
		Living away from studying in London	home,	£5,965
		Living away from studying elsewhere	home,	£4,675".

**28.** In regulation 56 (amount of maintenance loan: full-time students who qualify for special support payment)—

# (a) for Table 8 substitute—

"Column 1 Academic year			Column 2 Location of student		Column 3 Applicable amount of living support for special support student
Beginning on			Living at home		£7,650
September 2018 September 2019	but before	1	Living away from studying in London	home,	£11,250
			Living away from studying elsewhere	home,	£9,000
Beginning on or after September 2019 but before September 2020		1	Living at home		£7,840
	1	Living away from studying in London	home,	£11,530	
			Living away from studying elsewhere	home,	£9,225
Beginning on or		1	Living at home		£8,335
September 2020 September 2021	but before	1	Living away from studying in London	home,	£12,260
			Living away from studying elsewhere	home,	£9,810

"Column I Academic year				Column 2 Location of student		Column 3 Applicable amount of living support for special support student
Beginning on	or	after	1	Living at home		£8,790
September 2021				Living away from h studying in London	nome,	£12,930
				Living away from h studying elsewhere	nome,	£10,350";
(b) for Table	8A s	substitut	te-	_		
"Column I Academic year				Column 2 Location of student		Column 3  Minimum amount of maintenance loan payable
Beginning on	or	after		Living at home		£3,325
September 2018 September 2019	but	before	1	Living away from h studying in London	nome,	£5,125
				Living away from h studying elsewhere	nome,	£4,000
Beginning on	or	after		Living at home		£3,420
September 2019 September 2020	but	before	1	Living away from h studying in London	nome,	£5,265
				Living away from h studying elsewhere	nome,	£4,110
Beginning on	or	after		Living at home		£3,665
September 2020 September 2021	) but before	before 1	before 1	Living away from h studying in London	nome,	£5,630
				Living away from h studying elsewhere	nome,	£4,405
Beginning on or a September 2021	after 1	1	Living at home		£3,895	
					Living away from h studying in London	nome,
				Living away from h studying elsewhere	nome,	£4,675".

**29.** In regulation 57 (increased maintenance loan for full-time students in extended years), for Table 9 substitute—

"Column I Academic year	Column 2 Location of student	Column 3 Weekly amount of increase to maintenance loan payable
-	Living at home	£80
September 2018 but before September 2019	Living away from home, studying in London	£153
	Living away from home, studying elsewhere	£120
<u> </u>	Living at home	£84
September 2019 but before September 2020	Living away from home, studying in London	£162
	Living away from home, studying elsewhere	£127
C C	Living at home	£86
September 2020 but before September 2021	Living away from home, studying in London	£167
	Living away from home, studying elsewhere	£131
	Living at home	£89
September 2021	Living away from home, studying in London	£172
	Living away from home, studying elsewhere	£135".

**30.** In regulation 58 (amount of maintenance loan: part-time students), for Table 10 substitute—

"Column 1 Academic year				Column 2 Maximum amount of maintenance loan available to part-time student
Beginning on September 2018 September 2019				£5,650 multiplied by the intensity of study
Beginning on September 2019 September 2020				£5,815 multiplied by the intensity of study
Beginning on September 2020 September 2021				£6,245 multiplied by the intensity of study
Beginning on September 2021	or	after	1	£6,640 multiplied by the intensity of study".

**31.** In regulation 58A (amount of maintenance loan: part-time students who qualify for special support payment), for Table 10A substitute—

"Column 1 Academic year		Column 2 Amount of living support for part-time student where special support payable
Beginning on or September 2018 bu September 2019		£6,650 multiplied by the intensity of study
Beginning on or September 2019 bu September 2020		£6,815 multiplied by the intensity of study
Beginning on or September 2020 bu September 2021		£7,245 multiplied by the intensity of study
Beginning on or September 2021	after 1	£7,640 multiplied by the intensity of study".

# Amendment to regulation 72

32. In regulation 72 (maximum amount of adult dependants grant), for Table 11 substitute—

"Column 1 Academic year				Column 2 Maximum amount of adult dependants grant
Beginning on September 2018 September 2020				£2,732
Beginning on September 2020 September 2021				£3,094
Beginning on September 2021	or	after	1	£3,190".

# **Amendment to regulation 74**

33. In regulation 74 (maximum amount of parents' learning grant), for Table 12 substitute—

"Column 1		Column 2
Academic year		Maximum amount of parents' learning grant
Beginning on September 2018 September 2020		£1,557
Beginning on September 2020 September 2021		£1,766

"Column 1		Column 2
Academic year		Maximum amount of parents' learning grant
Beginning on or September 2021	after 1	£1,821".

- **34.** In regulation 76 (maximum amount of childcare grant)—
  - (a) for Table 13 substitute—

"Column 1 Academic year	Column 2 Number of child dependants	Column 3 Maximum weekly amount
Beginning on or after 1 September 2018 but before 1 September 2020	•	£161.50 £274.55
Beginning on or after 1 September 2020 but before 1 September 2021		£174.22 £298.69
Beginning on or after 1 September 2021	One dependent child  More than one dependent child	£179.62 £307.95";

<sup>(</sup>b) in paragraph (4)(a), for "£134.70" substitute "£138.31".

#### **CHAPTER 3**

AMENDMENTS TO THE EDUCATION (POSTGRADUATE DOCTORAL DEGREE LOANS) (WALES) REGULATIONS 2018

# Amendments to the Education (Postgraduate Doctoral Degree Loans) (Wales) Regulations 2018

**35.** The Education (Postgraduate Doctoral Degree Loans) (Wales) Regulations 2018(5) are amended in accordance with regulation 36.

### Amendments to regulation 13

- **36.** In regulation 13 (amount of postgraduate doctoral degree loan)—
  - (a) in paragraph (1), for "£26,445" substitute "£27,265";
  - (b) in paragraph (2)(b), for "£26,445" substitute "£27,265".

<sup>(5)</sup> S.I. 2018/656 (W. 124), amended by S.I. 2018/814 (W. 165), S.I. 2019/235 (W. 54), S.I. 2019/1192 (W. 209), S.I. 2019/1094 and S.I. 2020/153 (W. 27), S.I. 2020/1302 (W. 287) and S.I. 2021/9 (W. 4).

#### **CHAPTER 4**

# AMENDMENTS TO THE EDUCATION (STUDENT SUPPORT) (POSTGRADUATE MASTER'S DEGREES) (WALES) REGULATIONS 2019

# Amendments to the Education (Student Support) (Postgraduate Mater's Degrees) (Wales) Regulations 2019

**37.** The Education (Student Support) (Postgraduate Master's Degrees) (Wales) Regulations 2019(6) are amended in accordance with regulations 38 and 39.

#### Amendments to regulation 31

- **38.** In regulation 31 (amount of contribution to costs loan)—
  - (a) in paragraph (2), for "£16,489" substitute "£17,025";
  - (b) in paragraph (3)(b), for "£16,489" substitute "£17,025".

### Amendments to regulation 36

- **39.** In regulation 36 (effect of becoming, or ceasing to be, an eligible prisoner)—
  - (a) in paragraph (8), for "£16,489" substitute "£17,025";
  - (b) in paragraph (10), for "£16,489" substitute "£17,025".

# PART 4

# PART-TIME STUDENTS – RESTRICTIONS ON SUPPORT FOR GRADUATES CHAPTER 1

AMENDMENTS TO THE EDUCATION (STUDENT SUPPORT) (WALES) REGULATIONS 2017

#### Amendments to the Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2017

**40.** The Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2017 are amended in accordance with regulations 41 to 43.

# Amendments to regulation 2

- **41.** In regulation 2 (interpretation), in paragraph (1), insert the following entries into the appropriate places—
  - ""Common Aggregation Hierarchy" ("Hierarchiaeth Cydgasglu Cyffredin") has the meaning given in regulation 81(29);";
  - ""Higher Education Classification of Subjects" ("Dosbarthiad Pynciau Addysg Uwch") has the meaning given in regulation 81(29);".

# Amendments to regulation 81

**42.** In regulation 81 (eligible part-time students)—

<sup>(6)</sup> S.I. 2019/895 (W. 161), amended by S.I. 2019/1192 (W. 209), S.I. 2020/142 (W. 25), S.I. 2020/153 (W. 27), S.I. 2020/1302 (W. 287) and S.I. 2021/9 (W. 4).

- (a) for paragraph (28) substitute—
  - "(28) A course is specified for the purpose of paragraph (27) if—
    - (a) it is concerned with the study of the history, grammar and use of Welsh;
    - (b) it is a course whose code and label under the Higher Education Classification of Subjects are listed in Schedule 7; or
    - (c) the course is listed in the Higher Education Classification of Subjects in one of the Common Aggregation Hierarchy groups in Column 1 of Table A1 except for those subjects whose code and label under the Higher Education Classification of Subjects is specified in the corresponding entry in Column 2.

#### Table A1

Column 1	Column 2
Common Aggregation Hierarchy groups	Code and label of Excluded subjects
Subjects allied to medicine (CAH02)	
Biological and sport sciences (CAH03)	
Psychology (CAH04)	
Veterinary sciences (CAH05)	
Agriculture, food and related studies (CAH06)	
Physical sciences (CAH07)	(100392) Applied science
	(100390) General science
	(100391) Natural sciences
Mathematical sciences (CAH09)	
Engineering and technology (CAH10)	
Computing (CAH11) ";	

# (b) for paragraph (29) substitute—

"(29) In this regulation, "the Common Aggregation Hierarchy" means version 1.3.3 of the Common Aggregation Hierarchy approved by the Higher Education Statistics Agency Data Landscape Steering Group(7) and "the Higher Education Classification of Subjects" means the Higher Education Classification of Subjects maintained by the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service and the Higher Education Statistics Agency."

# Amendments to Schedule 7

- **43.** In Schedule 7 (Higher Education Classification of Subjects Course Codes and Labels)—
  - (a) for the reference to "paragraph (28)(c) of regulation 81" substitute "paragraph (28)(b) of regulation 81";
  - (b) after the reference to "paragraph (28)(c) of regulation 81." insert "The Higher Education Classification of Subjects" has the meaning given in paragraph (29) of regulation 81.";
  - (c) for Table 1 substitute—

<sup>(7)</sup> See https://www.hesa.ac.uk/innovation/hecos.

"HECoS code	HECoS label
100706	Hair and make-up
101374	Hair services
100131	Radiology
100456	Childhood studies
100302	History
100337	Philosophy
100621	Gender studies
101233	Cultural studies
100986	Water resource management
100807	Heritage management
101091	Quaternary studies
101078	Applied environmental sciences
101079	Hydrology
101072	Pollution control
100381	Environmental sciences
101070	Climate change
101067	Soil science
101394	Glaciology and cryospheric systems
100408	Environmental geography
101352	Biogeography
101065	Maritime geography
101064	Geomorphology
100410	Physical geography
101058	Mapping science
101056	Remote sensing
100369	Geographical information systems
100052	Ergonomics
101104	Applied geology
101351	Atmosphere-ocean interactions
100379	Climate science
100394	Earth sciences
101106	Engineering geology
100380	Environmental geoscience
101093	Exploration geology

"HECoS code	HECoS label
101084	Exploration geophysics
101083	Geochemistry
101082	Geological hazards
101086	Geological oceanography
100395	Geology
100396	Geophysics
101089	Hydrogeology
101073	Hydrography
100418	Marine sciences
100382	Meteorology
100421	Ocean sciences
100398	Palaeontology
101105	Petroleum geology
101081	Volcanology".

### **CHAPTER 2**

# AMENDMENTS TO THE EDUCATION (STUDENT SUPPORT) (WALES) REGULATIONS 2018

# Amendments to the Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2018

**44.** The Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2018 are amended in accordance with regulations 45 to 47.

# Amendments to regulation 25

- **45.** In regulation 25 (part-time students restrictions on support for graduates)—
  - (a) in paragraph (2), for Case 3 substitute—

"Case 3

The present course leads to an honours degree and is—

- (a) concerned with the study of the history, grammar and use of Welsh,
- (b) a course whose code and label under the Higher Education Classification of Subjects are listed in Schedule 5A, or
- (c) listed in the Higher Education Classification of Subjects in one of the Common Aggregation Hierarchy groups in Column 1 of Table A1 except for those subjects whose code and label under the Higher Education Classification of Subjects are specified in the corresponding entry in Column 2.

#### Table A1

Column 1	Column 2
Common Aggregation Hierarchy groups	Code and label of Excluded subjects
Subjects allied to medicine (CAH02)	
Biological and sport sciences (CAH03)	
Psychology (CAH04)	
Veterinary sciences (CAH05)	
Agriculture, food and related studies (CAH06)	
Physical sciences (CAH07)	(100392) Applied science
	(100390) General science
	(100391) Natural sciences
Mathematical sciences (CAH09)	
Engineering and technology (CAH10)	
Computing (CAH11)";	

(b) for paragraph (3) substitute—

"(3) In Case 3, the "Common Aggregation Hierarchy" means version 1.3.3 of the Common Aggregation Hierarchy approved by the Higher Education Statistics Agency Data Landscape Steering Group(8) and "the Higher Education Classification of Subjects" means the Higher Education Classification of Subjects maintained by the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service and the Higher Education Statistics Agency."

#### Amendments to Schedule 5A

- 46. In Schedule 5A (Higher Education Classification of Subjects Course Codes and Labels)—
  - (a) for the reference to "sub-paragraph (c) of Case 3 in regulation 25(2)" substitute "sub-paragraph (b) of Case 3 in regulation 25(2)";
  - (b) after the reference to "Case 3 in regulation 25(2)." insert "The Higher Education Classification of Subjects" has the meaning given in paragraph (3) of regulation 25.";
  - (c) for Table 15A substitute—

"Table 15A

HECoS code	HECoS label
100706	Hair and make-up
101374	Hair services
100131	Radiology
100456	Childhood studies

<sup>(8)</sup> https://www.hesa.ac.uk/innovation/hecos.

100302	HECoS code	HECoS label
101233	100302	History
101233	100337	Philosophy
100986         Water resource management           100807         Heritage management           101091         Quaternary studies           101078         Applied environmental sciences           101079         Hydrology           101072         Pollution control           100381         Environmental sciences           101070         Climate change           101067         Soil science           101394         Glaciology and cryospheric systems           100408         Environmental geography           101352         Biogeography           101065         Maritime geography           101064         Geomorphology           100410         Physical geography           101058         Mapping science           101056         Remote sensing           100369         Geographical information systems           100052         Ergonomics           101104         Applied geology           101351         Atmosphere-ocean interactions           100379         Climate science           1010394         Earth sciences           101106         Engineering geology           100380         Environmental geoscience           101093         Ex	100621	Gender studies
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101079	101091	Quaternary studies
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100396	Geophysics	
101089	Hydrogeology	
101073	Hydrography	
100418	Marine sciences	
100382	Meteorology	
100421	Ocean sciences	
100398	Palaeontology	
101105	Petroleum geology	
101081	Volcanology".	

# Amendments to Schedule 7

**47.** In Schedule 7 (index of defined terms), Table 16, insert the following entries into the appropriate places—

""Common Aggregation Hierarchy"	Regulation 25(3)";
""Higher Education Classification of Subjects (HECoS)"	Regulation 25(3)".

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend—

- (a) the Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2017 ("the 2017 Regulations"),
- (b) the Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2018 ("the 2018 Regulations"),
- (c) the Education (Postgraduate Doctoral Degree Loans) (Wales) Regulations 2018 ("the Doctoral Regulations"), and
- (d) the Education (Student Support) (Postgraduate Master's Degrees) (Wales) Regulations 2019 ("the Master's Regulations").

The 2017 Regulations provide for financial support for eligible students taking designated higher education courses which begin before 1 September 2018. The 2018 Regulations provide for financial support for eligible students taking designated higher education courses which begin on or after 1 September 2018.

Regulations 2 to 7 substitute the amounts and method of calculation in regulations 24, 71, 88, 110 and 117 of the 2017 Regulations concerning grants for disabled students' living costs, grants for disabled distance learning students' living costs, grants for disabled part-time students' living costs and grants for disabled postgraduate students' living costs.

Regulations 8 to 12 substitute the amounts and the method of calculation in regulation 63 of, and Schedule 4 to, the 2018 Regulations concerning disabled student's grant and disabled postgraduate student's grant. Regulation 12 removes a definition in Schedule 7 to the 2018 Regulations that is no longer required.

Regulations 13 to 25 substitute figures in regulations 16, 19, 26, 27, 28, 43, 45, 50, 56, 91, 92 and 93 of the 2017 Regulations concerning grants and loans for tuition fees and loans for living costs for full-time students and grants for dependants for both full and part-time students.

Regulations 26 to 34 substitute figures in regulations 55, 56, 57, 58, 58A, 72, 74 and 76 of the 2018 Regulations concerning maintenance loans and grants for dependants for both full-time and part-time students.

The Doctoral Regulations provide for financial support for eligible students undertaking designated postgraduate doctoral degree courses. Regulation 36 substitutes figures in regulation 13 of the Doctoral Regulations concerning the amount of postgraduate doctoral degree loan.

The Master's Regulations provide for the making of grants and loans to eligible students undertaking designated postgraduate master's degree courses which begin on or after 1 August 2019. Regulations 38 and 39 substitute figures in regulations 31 and 36 of the Master's Regulations. Regulation 38 increases the maximum amount of contribution to costs loan available to eligible students and eligible prisoners. Regulation 39 increases the figures used to calculate the contribution to costs grant and contribution to costs loan payable to an eligible student when they cease to be an eligible prisoner.

Regulations 40 to 43 amend regulations 2 and 81 of, and Schedule 7 to, the 2017 Regulations. The amendments relate to the restrictions on the support available to part-time graduate students and are needed as result of the introduction of a new version of the Common Aggregation Hierarchy. Regulations 44 to 47 make equivalent amendments to regulation 25 of, and Schedules 5A and 7 to, the 2018 Regulations.

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