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faculties for nursing, midwifery  
and the allied health professions



# Summary of funding arrangements for healthcare students

# Tuition fees (2021/22)



Studying in	England	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland
Home country				
England	Up to £9250	Up to £9250	Up to £9000	Up to £9250
Scotland	Up to £9250	None	Up to £9000	Up to £9250
Wales	Up to £9250	Up to £9250	None	Up to £9250
Northern Ireland	Up to £9250	Up to £9250	Up to £9000	None
International (including EU)	Variable	Variable	Variable	Variable

# Financial support



Studying in	England	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland
Home country				
England	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-means tested maintenance grant from NHS Business Services Authority of at least £5,000</li> <li>• Fees and maintenance loans available from SFE</li> <li>• Targeted grant funding available from NHSBSA for childcare, placement related travel and accommodation costs and in cases of exceptional hardship</li> <li>• Second loans available to students studying undergraduate or postgraduate healthcare degrees</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loan support available from SFE</li> <li>• Bursary and maintenance grant not available</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loan support provided by SFE</li> <li>• Students who sign an agreement to work in the Welsh NHS for two years after graduation will be eligible to receive a bursary and reduced rate maintenance loan (RRML) from SFE</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loan support provided by SFE</li> <li>• Bursary and maintenance grant not available</li> </ul>
Scotland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-means tested maintenance grant from NHSBSA of at least £5,000</li> <li>• Loan support available from SAAS</li> <li>• Bursary not available</li> <li>• Second loan not available to students with an existing degree</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-means tested NHS bursary available to students of nursing and midwifery through SAAS. Amount currently set at £10,000</li> <li>• Loan support available from SAAS/NHS for AHP students</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students who sign an agreement to work in the Welsh NHS for two years after graduation will be eligible to receive an NHS bursary and maintenance loan from SAAS</li> <li>• Other students will receive loan support from SAAS but no support from NHSBSA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loan support available from SAAS</li> <li>• No support from NHSBSA</li> </ul>



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Wales	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-means tested maintenance grant from NHSBSA of at least £5,000</li> <li>• Loan support available from SFW</li> <li>• Bursary not available</li> <li>• Second loan not available to students with an existing degree</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loan support available from SFW</li> <li>• Bursary not available</li> <li>• Second loan not available to students with an existing degree</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students who sign an agreement to work in the Welsh NHS for two years after graduation will be eligible to receive an NHS bursary and RRML from SFW</li> <li>• Students who do not sign the agreement will receive loan support from SFW, but will not receive a bursary or NHSBSA support</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loan support available from SFW</li> <li>• Bursary not available</li> <li>• Second loan not available to students with an existing degree</li> </ul>
Northern Ireland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-means tested maintenance grant from NHSBSA of at least £5,000</li> <li>• Loan support available from SFNI</li> <li>• Bursary not available</li> <li>• Second loan not available to students with an existing degree</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loan support available from SFNI</li> <li>• Bursary not available</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students who sign an agreement to work in the Welsh NHS for two years after graduation will be eligible to receive an NHS bursary and RRML from SFNI</li> <li>• Students who do not sign the agreement will receive loan support from SFNI, but will not receive a bursary or NHSBSA support</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-means tested NHS bursary only available to students of nursing and midwifery</li> <li>• Means-tested NHS bursary and RRML available from SFNI for AHP students</li> <li>• Additional allowances also available</li> </ul>