



## **Higher Education Bursaries 2025-2026**

*Higher Education Bursary Awards differ depending upon the level the student is studying at. This guidance outlines entitlement for the academic year 2025-2026.*

### **Eligibility Criteria for all Bursaries:**

- Full Time
- £9535 Fee Payer
- Student loan confirmed or payment plan in place.
- Attendance Based – All enrolments are considered for attendance purposes.

Students who fall into one or more of the following categories are not eligible for a bursary:

- Level 7 Students
- Part Time Students
- Apprenticeship Students
- Third Party Fee Payers
- Scholarship Students.

### **Terms and Conditions:**

- 1) Where a student withdraws, bursary payments will be withheld.
- 2) NCG will not make additional payments to cover the loss of a payment, where a student has provided incorrect bank details and those payments enter an incorrect account.
- 3) Students must maintain a level of good behaviour and behave in a way which respects the needs and aspirations of others to learn, teach and live within the community of the University Centre.
- 4) Payments will be withheld if the student does not achieve the required attendance.
- 5) Overpayments are required to be returned on request.

## Awards:

Awards are based on the level of course that the student is enrolled

### Level 4 Award

- 1) **£5.00 Meal Allowance** for each timetabled day, via the cashless system onsite, awarded from day 1 of their course, on the condition that there is an active enrolment on the system.
- 2) **Higher Education Cash Bursary** of £400/£1000
  - a. £400 is awarded to all eligible students.
  - b. Bursary will be increased to £1000 where the student is in receipt of a **full**/maximum maintenance loan award from Student Finance –and where their household income is determined to be below £25,000.
  - c. The total bursary award granted to the student is divided into 10 instalments, with each instalment's payment adjusted proportionally based on the student's attendance percentage for the specific attendance period corresponding to that instalment.

### Level 5 Award

- 1) **£5.00 Meal Allowance** for each timetabled day, via the cashless system onsite, awarded from day 1 of their course, on the condition that there is an active enrolment on the system.
- 2) **Higher Education Cash Bursary** of £400/£1000
  - a. £400 is awarded to all eligible students.
  - b. Bursary will be increased to £1000 where the student is in receipt of a **full**/maximum maintenance loan award from Student Finance –and where their household income is determined to be below £25,000.
  - c. The total bursary award granted to the student is divided into 10 instalments, with each instalment's payment adjusted proportionally based on the student's attendance percentage for the specific attendance period corresponding to that instalment.

### Level 6 Award (includes level 6 PgCE Students)

- 1) **Higher Education Cash Bursary** of £400/£1000
  - a. £400 is awarded to all eligible students.
  - b. Bursary will be increased to £1000 where the student is in receipt of a **full**/maximum maintenance loan award from Student Finance –and where their household income is determined to be below £25,000.
  - c. Eligible students who received a £1000 bursary in the previous academic year will continue to do so.
  - d. Bursary will be split into 3 payments over the academic year.
  - e. Attendance checks will be made, and where the student is falling below 50% attendance – Learner Support Funds will seek approval from the Head of Curriculum to release the bursary.