

# Financial support for medical and dental students – Wales

Students on university courses in medicine (recognised by the General Medical Council) and dentistry (recognised by the General Dental Council) may be eligible for financial help from the NHS as part of their course.

Funding for medical and dental courses varies between England, Wales, Northern Ireland and Scotland. This page provides details about the system in Wales.

Find out more about the system in [England](#) <sup>[1]</sup>, [Scotland](#) <sup>[2]</sup> and [Northern Ireland](#) <sup>[3]</sup>.

The information here is for guidance only. In all cases, make sure you contact the relevant funding authority as regulations can change and individual circumstances vary.

## Standard 5-year degrees

Students who are ordinarily resident in Wales may be eligible for a non-repayable tuition fee grant of £5100 (2016 rates) from the Welsh Government for standard five year undergraduate courses in medicine and dentistry. You can also apply for a repayable tuition fee loan of £3,900 per year. The tuition fee grant and loan are not means-tested.

[For further information visit the Student Finance Wales website](#) <sup>[4]</sup>

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The NHS Welsh Bursary Scheme is provided by [Students Awards Services](#) <sup>[5]</sup> The helpline can provide further information, tel: 029 2090 5380/1.

You can apply to the NHS Welsh Bursary Service if you are ordinarily resident in Wales. The service can provide detailed guidance about residency rules.

Funding is provided from year five of your studies leading to a pre-registration qualification in medicine and dentistry.

The bursary is means-tested which means your parental or other income will be taken into account. The NHS Welsh Bursary Scheme can advise you about your individual situation.

Students who ordinarily live in Wales may be able to get a maintenance loan from [Student Finance Wales](#) [4] Tel: 0300 200 4050.

And [this booklet](#) [6] provides information on financial help available for students in Wales

The information on this page applies to students who started from September 2012 onwards. If you started before this, please contact Students Awards Services.

## Accelerated degrees

You can apply for an NHS bursary for accelerated graduate entry programmes in medicine and dentistry. If eligible, you will receive funding for years two to four only, at a reduced rate of £3,465 (2016 rates). You can apply to Student Finance Wales for a maintenance loan and for a loan for the remainder of your tuition fees.

## Intercalated degrees

If you decide to follow an intercalated Bachelor's (eg BSc) degree as part of your medical or dental undergraduate degree, you will receive funding from the NHS Welsh Bursary Scheme for years five and six, irrespective of the year you intercalate in.

If you are considering an intercalated Master's degree, it is advisable to contact [Students Awards Services](#) [5] to find out if funding is possible.

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### Which funding authority do I apply to for NHS financial support?

This table sets out which funding authority to apply to, depending on where your usual residence is and where you plan to study.

My usual residence	University location	Funding authority
England	England	<a href="#">English</a> [1]
England	Scotland, Wales or NI	<a href="#">English</a> [1]
Scotland, Wales or NI	England	<a href="#">Scottish</a> [2], <a href="#">Welsh</a> or <a href="#">NI</a> [3]

Scotland, Wales or NI	Scotland, Wales or NI	<u>Scottish</u> [2], <u>Welsh</u> or <u>NI</u> [3]
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At present, EU residents can apply to NHS BSA for fees only in the same way as UK residents. EU applicants do not pay fees to Scottish universities at present and this will continue for the 2016/17 academic year.

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### Links

[1] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/considering-or-university/financial-support-university/financial-support-medical-and-dental>

[2] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/considering-or-university/financial-support-university/funding-through-nhs/financial-support-medical-and-dental-studen-0>

[3] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/considering-or-university/financial-support-university/funding-through-nhs/financial-support-medical-and-dental-studen-1>

[4] <http://www.studentfinancewales.co.uk>

[5] <http://www.nwsspstudentfinance.wales.nhs.uk/home>

[6]

<http://www.nwsspstudentfinance.wales.nhs.uk/sitesplus/documents/1132/Financial%20Help%20for%20Health%20C>