

## **Bursary Maintenance**

A maintenance bursary is an amount awarded to a student to help with living expenses, there are 4 main types of bursary. For eligibility criteria please refer to the Student Guide. More details of each bursary can be found below:

- **Care Experienced Bursary**  
This bursary is for students who are currently or have at any point in their life been in care or looked after by the local authority. You will be eligible for **£225** per week.
- **Self-Supporting Bursary**  
This bursary is for students over the age of 25 or for those under 25 that have supported themselves for 3 years or are married. The maximum amount is **£125.55** per week but may be less depending on partner/spouse income or unearned income (e.g Working Tax Credit).
- **Parentally-Supported Bursary**  
This bursary is for students aged between 18-25. The maximum amount is **£99.35** per week but may be less depending on parent's income.
- **Universal Credit Bursary**  
This bursary is for students that are able to remain on Universal Credit whilst a full-time student. This only applies to students in the following categories:
  - You have children
  - You are in receipt of the 'limited capability for work' element
  - You are under the age of 21 and without parental support

You will be eligible for a bursary of **£28** per week which will not affect your Universal Credit.

All maintenance bursaries are paid fortnightly with the exception of the Care Experienced Bursary which is paid weekly.