FACTSHEET for Sponsored Students – Applying for a Student visa

You are classed as officially sponsored if your government, a university, an international scholarship agency or an international company is responsible for your course fees and living costs in the UK.

Other sponsors, such as relatives, are not considered to be official financial sponsors.

How much money must I show?

You will need enough money to pay your first year’s tuition fee plus £1,023 per month of your studies for living costs (maintenance), up to a maximum of 9 months. This means if your course is longer than 9 months, you will need to show first year’s tuition fee plus £9,207 (£1,023 x 9) for living costs.

Sponsorship Letter

If you are sponsored by your government, a university, an international scholarship agency or an international company, you will need to get a letter from your sponsor, on official letter-headed paper with their official stamp. It must show:

- Your name
- The name and contact details of your official sponsor
- The date of the letter
- The length of your sponsorship
- The amount of money the sponsor is giving you or a statement that your official sponsors will cover all of your fees and living costs in the UK.

Partially funded sponsorship

If your sponsorship only covers part of your tuition and/or living costs, you will need to show the outstanding amount through other means e.g. a personal or parental bank statement. Please see our Factsheet for Self-funded students.

Scholarship from the University of Huddersfield

If you are receiving financial sponsorship from the University of Huddersfield, you will not need a letter. Instead, the sponsorship information should be included on your Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS).

If your scholarship information is not stated on your CAS, please contact the International Office international.office@hud.ac.uk before applying for your visa.

It is your responsibility to ensure that the information is included in your CAS.
Student loans (Education loans)

IF you are relying on a student/education loan, you must provide a student loan letter from the lender. The letter must meet the following requirements:

1. The letter must be dated no more than 6 months before your visa application date; and
2. The letter must confirm your name as well as the amount of the loan; and
3. The letter must confirm that it is a student loan provided to you by either your government, a government sponsored student loan company or an academic or educational loans scheme; and
4. The letter must confirm that there are no conditions on release of funds other than a successful application to study in the UK; and
5. The letter must also confirm that the funds will be:
   - available to you before you travel to the UK; or
   - paid directly to the University of Huddersfield before you travel to the UK, with any living cost portion of the loan being made available to you by the time you arrive in the UK; or
   - available before you begin your course, if the loan is provided by your national government;