

# Students with additional caring responsibilities...



Grants For Dependants (GFDs) are means tested grants awarded to full time students who have either child dependants or adult caring responsibilities (or both). They are awarded based upon the level of partner income, with single students awarded maximum support, subject to the students individual circumstances

## Parents' Learning Allowance

Students can apply for Parents' Learning Allowance (PLA) if they are Means Tested, on a full-time course, with dependent children (including shared custody).

Student Finance Wales (SFW) also offer PLA for part time courses.

Cohabiting partners who are students can both apply for full PLA for the same child. You can apply online along with your standard tuition fee and maintenance loan support.

Regardless of circumstances, we require you to show that you are wholly financially responsible for the child/children in question

**Maximum Amount Available**



## Childcare Grant

Childcare Grants are awarded to students to assist with the costs for childcare while they attend University or College.

Students must be using an OFSTED approved Childcare Provider

The child must be under the age of 15 (17 if their child has Special Educational Needs) and dependent on the student, not on a partner or third party.

Students must not be in receipt of the childcare element of Working Families Tax Credits or Universal Credit or NHS bursary funding

**Maximum Amount Available**

1 child    £174.22 per week  
2+ children    £298.69 per week



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## Adult Dependants Grant

All students studying full-time courses whose Student Finance applications have been income assessed can be considered for the Adult Dependants' Grant (ADG).

You must meet the following criteria at the beginning of the academic year in order to qualify

- Full-time students with a spouse/civil partner
- Full-time students who are over 25 with a cohabiting partner
- Full-time students who are under 25 must be married to claim for their partner as an adult dependant
- Full-time students with other adult dependants with an income no more than £3796 (SFE), £3923 (SFW) - this does not apply to partners

You can apply as normal on their paper or online applications.

**Maximum Amount Available**

**£3,094**

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## For more information...

[www.thestudentroom.co.uk/student-finance](http://www.thestudentroom.co.uk/student-finance)

[www.gov.uk/student-finance/extra-help](http://www.gov.uk/student-finance/extra-help)

[www.youtube.com/user/SFEFILM/videos](http://www.youtube.com/user/SFEFILM/videos)

Or

Call our Contact Centre on 0300 100 0607

You may also want to discuss your situation directly with staff and representatives at your University or College

**The figures for 2020/21 will be made through Regulations laid in Parliament later this year or early in 2020, and are subject to Parliamentary Approval**

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