

Funds and Allowances Available

Assessed on What Information

Documentation Required

Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA)

This is a contribution towards your living costs and depends on household income. Use the chart opposite to see if you are eligible.

EMA
£30 per week
(not payable for Holiday weeks)

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Household income below £24,421 where the student is the only dependent child (or £26,884 where there are other dependent children at home)

If your household income is above this, you do not qualify for EMA

Student Identification (Birth Certificate, Passport, Young Scot Card) and Tax Credit Award Notice for current financial year or a recent Universal Credit monthly Statement for current financial year

Further Education Bursary

Students who are under 18 years of age on the first day of the course may receive bursary funds for their travel costs and help with course materials/essential equipment. This support is not dependent on parental income so you do not have to submit household income details.

Travel is based on the cheapest form of travel from where you live e.g. Unirider bus tickets.

Your funding award will not change if you turn 18 during the course year.

Away From Home Allowance
£42.35 per week payable if parental home is out with reasonable daily travel to college or the student has an established home of their own.

Travel Allowance (From outwith Elgin)
Cost of the Unirider/Megarider ticket for the college year broken down into a weekly payment.

Study Allowance
Varies from course to course and may be money paid directly to you or equipment provided to you by the department.

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Payable if in receipt of EMA

Students under 18 get travel and study costs regardless of parents' income.

Evidence to show local tenancy/accommodation has been secured
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If you are in this age group and are a parent, or are financially independent from your parents/step parents/guardians, you may be eligible for funding - see **Under 25 - Independent of Parents** table.