

# **MBChB FUNDING GUIDE 2019-20**



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# 1. Student Financial Aid

The University's Financial Aid team have a range of funds available to support you during your studies. Financial support can assist in the following areas (*depending on eligibility requirements*):

- Crisis loans
- Discretionary & Childcare funds
- Hardship fund
- Entrance bursaries

The Student Financial Aid team can be contacted at:

Registry Level 2, The Fraser Building (E2 on the <u>campus map</u>) Open: Monday to Friday, 1000 – 1600 (Crisis Loans available 2pm-4pm only) Tel: 0141 330 2216 / 8778 / E-mail: reg.finaid@admin.gla.ac.uk

More information is available at: www.gla.ac.uk/services/registry/finance/funds/

# 2. Student Representative Council (SRC)

The Advice Centre within the SRC offers free and confidential advice on a wide range of subjects, including:

- Benefits and Tax Credits
- Council Tax
- Financial Support for Students
- Income Tax/National Insurance
- Money Advice

The Advice Centre can be contacted at:

SRC Advice Centre John McIntyre Building (A22 on the <u>campus map</u>), Opening times are Monday – Friday 11:30am – 4pm Tel: 0141 330 5360 / E-mail: <u>advice@src.gla.ac.uk</u> *Please note that these times may vary dependent on staff commitments. Please call if planning a long journey to visit the Advice Centre.* 

More information is available at: www.glasgowstudent.net/advice/the-advice-centre/

# 3. Second Degree Funds

For students who have completed an Honours degree *before* commencing MBChB, may be interested in the following:

- University of Glasgow Second First Degree Fund (Students will be e-mailed when this opens).
- BMA Second Degree Fund for graduate entrants entering their third/fourth year of MBChB.
- NHS Bursary in the fifth year of studies, which is administered in the following ways:
  - Scottish domiciled students: student applies through SAAS; NI domiciled via Library Boards
  - English domiciled students: Bursary 99 form is completed by Medical School, which prompts application form to come to English/NI address. If you have not received a form by mid September, please contact NHS Business Services Authority www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/students
  - Welsh domiciled students: the Medical School Administrator notifies the Welsh NHS Bursary body, which prompts an application form to be sent to the student.

Please refer to Section 8 for further links to NHS Bursary web pages.

# 4. Travel Expenses Years 1-5

Students of MBChB will incur the additional cost of travel expenses to and from clinical visits and attachments with the exception of Inverclyde placements (more information is available on the Medical Moodle page) and recipients of the NHS bursary.

# 5. Elective Funding

The University of Glasgow Medical School welcomes applications from medical students for elective placements. Those interested in applying for an elective placement should visit: <a href="http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/medicine/mus/visitingelectives/">www.gla.ac.uk/schools/medicine/mus/visitingelectives/</a>

# 6. Scholarship and Funding

The University of Glasgow is committed to rewarding academic excellence and offers a wide range of financial support to its current students.

Full information can be found at: www.gla.ac.uk/scholarships/

# 7. Repeat Year Students

SAAS funded repeat year students may be granted funds for fees during one repeat year of study only. This is now automatic in any circumstances but only available for one repeat year.

Non-SAAS funded students should contact their Local Education Authority or sponsors to investigate this further.

# 8. NHS Bursaries

For information such as eligibility and how to apply, please visit the NHS Student Bursaries guidance <u>booklet</u>.

# **SAAS Funded Students**

First time undergraduate students will receive support under the same arrangements as for other undergraduate students for the first four years. This will be help towards living-cost support in the form of a student loan, supplementary grants and tuition fees. In the fifth and later years of study, you will be able to claim for the income-assessed Scottish Executive Health Department bursary, supplementary grants and free tuition. You will also have access to a non income-assessed student loan that you will repay on an income contingent basis.

England

English domiciled medical students undertaking the 5/6 year undergraduate programme will be eligible for means-tested Bursaries and help with tuition fees from their fifth year of study. In addition, these students will be entitled to apply for reduced rate student loans in their fifth *study* year of MBChB (not necessarily MBChB Year 5).

The Medical School will normally complete a 'Bursary 99' to forward to the NHS Student Grants Unit, which will prompt an application form to be sent to your English address. You must update your term and home address as necessary on MyCampus. If you have not received the NHS Bursary application form mid September, please contact NHS Business Services Authority <u>-</u>www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/students.

#### **North Ireland**

Information in Northern Ireland for the means-tested Bursaries and help with tuition fees is collected via the Library Boards.

#### Wales

The arrangements are similar to those for England and Northern Ireland, where the Medical School notifies the NHS Wales Student Awards Unit. www.wales.nhs.uk

# 9. External Awards

Keep a look out in your University e-mails, Moodle 2 General Information News Forum and Vale for details of Prizes awarded at different times of the year. Awards include:

- Wolfson Intercalated Awards Programme
- James Paterson Trust Intercalated Awards
- Pathological Society of Great Britain and Ireland Intercalated Honours BSc
- Jean Shanks Foundation
- One Medicine by the Comparative Clinical Science Foundation
- Kidney Research UK
- British Association of Dermatologists

# **10. Intercalated Funding**

SAAS/LEA funded students normally have their fees paid during an intercalated year of study, if they do not already hold a degree.

At the end of the third year, selected Medical students may be permitted to undertake an intercalated course. Medical students can apply for either a one-year Honours degree, within the College of Medical, Veterinary & Life Sciences, and College of Arts or be admitted at the discretion of the College of Science and Engineering to study for the Degree of BSc Honours.

More information is available on the intercalated degrees page.

Please contact Laura McMichael at <u>cams-ins-bsc-medsci@glasgow.ac.uk</u> for further information.

# 11. Professional and Career Development Loans

If you need additional support to assist you with your studies, you may be eligible to apply for a Professional and Career Development Loan.

More information can be found on the University's webpage: <a href="http://www.gla.ac.uk/services/registry/finance/funds/">www.gla.ac.uk/services/registry/finance/funds/</a>

Government sponsored Career Development loans are available for MBChB students in Years 4 and 5. The Government pays the interest until you graduate. Please see: <u>www.gov.uk/career-development-loans/overview</u>

# 12. Useful information

# Part-Time Employment

The MBChB programme is very demanding of students' time due to the volume of work and commitment required. Obviously some students have no choice but to obtain part-time employment during term-time, but the reality is that many find this extremely difficult to manage. The Medical School strongly recommends that part-time employment be kept to the absolute minimum amount required. Students are not permitted to miss timetabled/teaching sessions due to employment commitments.

# **Further Information**

University tuition fee payment methods can be found at www.gla.ac.uk/undergraduate/fees/paymentmethods/

If you are in difficulty over payment of fees or other charges to the University shown on your Student Account in MyCampus, we advise you to contact the Student Credit Control team at <u>finance-student@glasgow.ac.uk</u> or visit <u>www.gla.ac.uk/undergraduate/fees/policies/debts/</u>

The BMA website has information on finance for students, according to their country of origin, UK or overseas. Please see: <a href="http://www.bma.org.uk/advice/work-life-support/your-finances-and-protection/guide-to-medical-student-finance">www.bma.org.uk/advice/work-life-support/your-finances-and-protection/guide-to-medical-student-finance</a>

# People who can help

• Adviser of Studies (Contact details are available from your MyCampus student record)

If you are experiencing difficulties in your student life, please feel free to contact the Student Support staff within the Undergraduate Medical School.

• med-sch-welfare@glasgow.ac.uk / 0141 330 7488.