

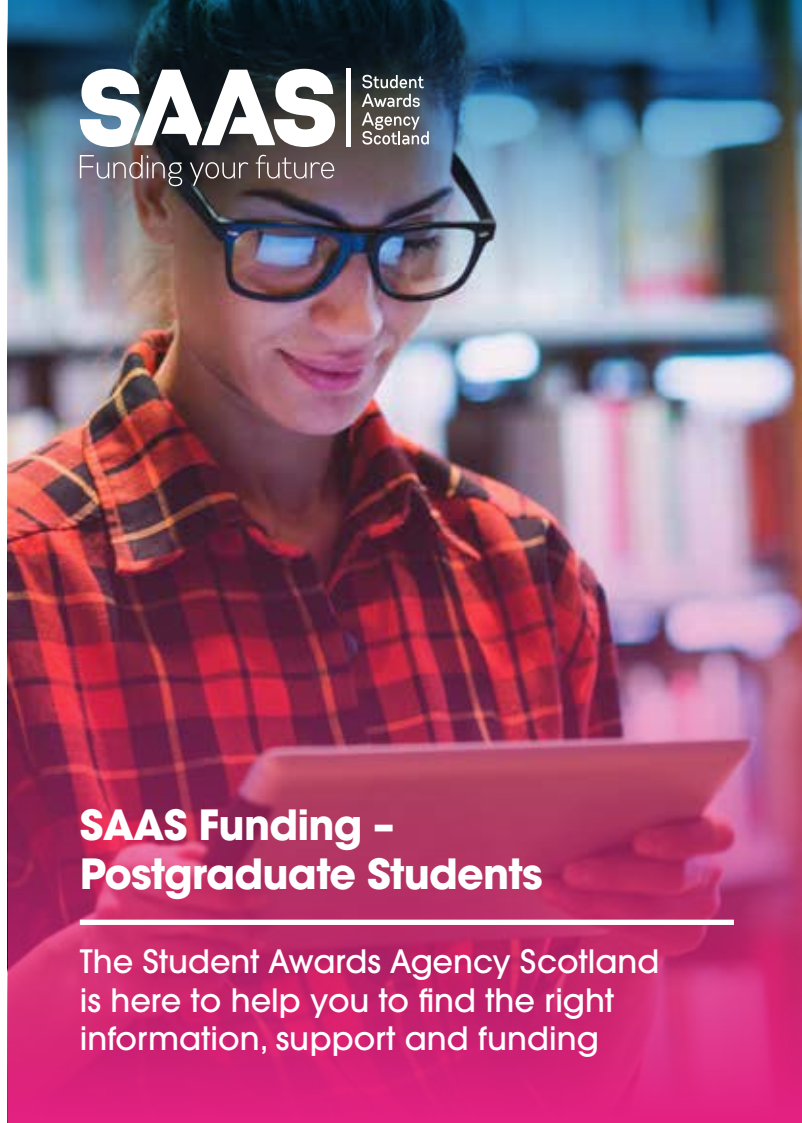
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## SAAS Funding – Postgraduate Students

The Student Awards Agency Scotland is here to help you to find the right information, support and funding



### Courses We Fund

We fund postgraduate courses at Postgraduate Diploma or master's level.

We do not offer postgraduate support for Graduate Diplomas, Postgraduate Certificates or PhDs. If you are studying a full-time PGDE teaching course, you'll receive the same funding arrangements as a full time undergraduate course.

The course must be delivered at a publicly funded college or university. This includes research based courses, and certain courses delivered by distance learning. However, there must be a minimum amount of teaching or contact time between the student and teaching staff.



## Other conditions for full-time courses

- Postgraduate diplomas must be no longer than one year
- Masters level courses must be no longer than two years
- If you're studying elsewhere in the UK (not in Scotland), we can only offer funding if the same course is not available in Scotland

## Other conditions for part-time courses

- You must take no longer than twice the length of the full time equivalent course at the same university to complete their studies
- If there is no full-time equivalent course available at the same university, you must take no longer than three years to complete their studies
- The course must be delivered in Scotland

## Funding Available

### Full-time Courses

For eligible full-time courses you can apply for a tuition fee loan of up to £5,500 and a living costs loan of up to £4,500. If you study a two year full time course, these amounts will be split equally across each year of the course.

### Part-time Courses

For eligible part-time courses you can apply for the tuition fee loan of £5,500. This will be split between the number of years you study. Part-time students are not eligible to receive a living costs loan.

### Other Available Funding

If you have a disability or additional learning need(s), you may qualify for Disabled Students' Allowance. This is usually a non-repayable grant. Further information can be found on the SAAS website.

Funding at postgraduate level is not based on your household income.

## Student Loan

You won't have to start repaying your loan (this includes tuition fee loan and living costs loan) until the April after you graduate or leave your course. You will be expected to pay 9% of any income you earn over £25,000 per year. This means if you earn £26,000 a year, you'll repay £7.50 a month.

## Previous Study

We do not take into account any support you have received at undergraduate level.

However, you will not be eligible for a tuition fee loan if you have already received support from UK or other EU public funds for a course of postgraduate study and gained a qualification.

## How to apply

You can apply to us at [www.saas.gov.uk](http://www.saas.gov.uk) from **April**, as soon as you know the course you want to study. Do not wait for exam results. If you don't get on the course you want, you can easily change or cancel your application online through your SAAS Account.

You must submit your completed application at [www.saas.gov.uk](http://www.saas.gov.uk) and send any supporting evidence via our SAAS document uploader.

Remember to apply as early as possible and before **30 June** to ensure your funding is in place for the start of your course.



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