

## **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FUND 2023-24**

## **Term Time – Undergraduate Application Form**





Only complete this form if you are:

- Single
- · Studying on a full-time basis
- Do not have any dependants

(There are different application forms for those with dependants and/or a partner and also for part-time students).

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Surname	For office use only:
First Name	Date received
Student ID	Application Reference no.

Applications may be emailed to studentfundingteam@lincoln.ac.uk

### SECTION 1: Terms and Conditions ALL applicants must read

#### Are you eligible to apply to this fund?

- You must be a 'Home' student, which is determined by the funding provider (e.g. Student Finance England) and not the student status that the University of Lincoln allocates to you.
- · You must have applied for, and taken out, ALL statutory funding/benefits you are entitled to.
- You should also have made adequate provisions before starting the course for your basic living costs and course fees.
- EU students and International Students cannot apply unless advised/recommended by the University's Specialist Advisers.

#### Who administers University of Lincoln Financial Assistance Funds?

- Fund Assessors within Student Support & Advice will assess your application following the criteria set down by the National Association of Student Money Advisors (NASMA) in consultation with the National Union of Students (NUS).
- There is no guarantee of an award for any applicant, so please do not rely on this Fund as a guaranteed form of income.
- The funders of the Financial Assistance Fund (the University of Lincoln) may request information about the outcome of your application and will be provided with statistical information about your application for monitoring purposes.

#### When can you make an application?

- Term time applications open on 9th October 2023 and close on the last official day of your course as registered with the Student Loans Company or 31st July 2024 (whichever is earlier).
- Summer applications open on the first Monday following the official last day of your course or 1st August 2024 (whichever
  is earlier).
- Summer applications close on 6th September 2024.

#### Our procedures:

- Applications are assessed in order of receipt.
- It may take up to 4 working weeks for your application to be processed.
- Please do not chase your application unless the 4 weeks have passed.
- Where applications are incomplete or extra evidence is required you will be contacted to supply that evidence.
- Your application will not be assessed until we have a complete application. Your application will be filed as incomplete where
  evidence is not received within 10 working days of a request being made.
- Extra evidence is processed in order of date of receipt which may result in your application taking longer than the original 4 week turnaround time.

#### **Next steps:**

- You must complete all sections which apply to you.
- Please write clearly.
- Please note that the University of Lincoln Financial Assistance Fund is limited and allocated on a 'first-come-first-served' basis.
   This could mean that we close the Fund early if all the money has been allocated.
- Please ensure you sign the application form.

SECTION 2: Personal Details to be completed by ALL applicants
First name(s)
Date of Birth / /
Tick here if you are a care leaver / estranged  Tick here if you have caring responsibilities for an adult family member
Contact Telephone Number
Tick to indicate your current living arrangements:
University accommodation Parental home Own home Private rental
Other (please provide further details below)
Summer Fund applicants -please provide dates / details of your living arrangements over the summer vacation period below:
SECTION 3: Your Course Details to be completed by ALL applicants
Course title
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#### SECTION 4: Your Bank Account(s) to be completed by ALL applicants

You must supply up-to-date evidence for <u>ALL</u> accounts held by you, your partner and jointly (if applicable) this includes those accounts which are not used, have little activity or have been recently closed – see section 5 for more information. Please list <u>ALL</u> bank/building society accounts including ISAs, cryptocurrency, stocks & shares, PayPal, etc:

					Over	draft
Name of Bank/Bu	uilding Society	Type of Account	held e.g. student, savir	ngs, etc	Yes/No	Limit £
If you are successful and a award to be paid into:	an award is made, it wil	ll be paid by bank	transfer. Please provid	le the det	ails of the accou	ınt you wish an
Account Holder Name						
Bank Account Number		Sort Code				

### SECTION 5: Your Bank Statements ALL applicants must read

- You must declare ALL of your bank accounts in Section 4.
- You must provide 3 months (e.g. 15th November 2023 to 14th February 2024) detailed bank printouts (or statements) for ALL accounts held they must show the bank name, account details, details of each transaction and a running balance. If you are unsure how to access statements there is a helpful guide on our webpage https://lncn.ac/8r
- They must be up-to-date i.e. within 1 week of your form submission date. Screenshots from online banking can be
  provided where official statements have not yet been generated. Please ensure they are clearly labelled.
- They must be consecutive (no missing transactions from one page to the next).
- · You must provide bank printouts for accounts even if there has been little or no activity, or it has recently closed.
- You must explain the following transactions by writing on your bank printouts next to each transaction:
  - · Payments INTO your account including any parental contributions (who it was from, what the money was for)
  - Payments made to another account/person (who it is, what it was for)
  - Payments OUT (including purchases) of your account which are £100 or more (what it was for)

#### SECTION 6: Non-priority Debts ALL applicants must read

We cannot consider non-priority debts (e.g. credit cards, buy now pay later schemes (e.g. Klarna, etc), payday loans, etc) as part of the assessment for these funds. However, if you have sought advice, either from the Specialist Advisers in Student Support & Advice or an equivalent debt advice provider we may be able to consider associated costs as per their recommendations.

Please provide evidence of your arrangement.

To access the University's Specialist Advisers within Student Support & Advice please email studentsupport@lincoln.ac.uk.

#### SECTION 7: Money you have coming in to be completed by ALL applicants

Tick any student funding & other income you receive and supply appropriate evidence:

Student Funding – Income type:

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	Maintenance Loan	Student Finance Paperwork
	Special Support Element	Student Finance Paperwork
	NHS Learning Support Fund - Training Grant	NHS Training Grant award letter
	University of Lincoln Bursary/Scholarship	N/A – we will have this already
	Other Grant/Bursary	Evidence from awarding body
	Blackburn Bursary	N/A – we will have this already
	Foyer/Support Housing Bursary	N/A – we will have this already
	Wages (if apprentice)	Wage slips

# SECTION 7: Money you have coming in to be completed by ALL applicants

Tick any student funding & other income you receive and supply	appropriate evidence:	
✓ Other – Income type:	Photocopied evidence required:	
Parental Contributions	Highlighted on bank printouts	
Tax Credits	Letter – FULL TCAN	
Universal Credit	Full Journal Breakdown	
Savings (incl Premium Bonds)	Up-to-date statements	
Pension	Pension letter	
Any other income (e.g. rent from lodgers)	Evidence, as appropriate	
Income from Welfare Benefits	Evidence, as appropriate	
Not eligible for all/part of the funding package due to previous Has your 2023/24 student funding been affected due to either prevalready have an equivalent level qualification? Yes No lf you don't qualify for a student funding package, where else have the previous student funding package.	evious study or you	
Repeating the year due to exceptional circumstances/compe	lling personal reasons?	
Have you applied to your funding authority to have the year disredue to your Compelling Personal Reasons? Yes No		
Overpayments?		
Have you had an overpayment from your student funding provide Have you completed a Financial Hardship Confirmation Form in confirmation from your funding provider)		
If so, please explain the details below and ensure you provide e	evidence.	

# SECTION 8: Money you have going out to be completed by ALL applicants

Tick any expenditure you pay out and supply appropriate evider	nce:
✓ Expenditure type:	Photocopied evidence required:
Rent – tenancy agreement	Tenancy agreement – showing dates and weekly sums payable
Rent – parental home	Letter from parent(s) detailing arrangement and payments highlighted on bank prints
Mortgage	Latest mortgage statement
Household bills, not included in rent	Latest household bills
Travel – term time address to University	Timetable plus travel tickets/fuel receipts
Travel – placement	Details of placement – dates, postcode, travel costs evidence
Car costs (if required due to health)	Evidence of car ownership
Health costs	Copy of prescription, receipt
Books/equipment - more than £300	List signed by tutor
Travel – University to home (when you normally live in Linco	n in student accommodation).
We can also include 3 trips to your parental home each year. Ho	ow much does this cost per trip? £
SECTION 9: Disability/Additional Needs compl	ete if applicable
	ohysical and sensory impairments, specific learning differences, long-term health conditions. You can contact them on 01522
Do you have a disability which is registered with Student Wellbe	ing? Yes No
Please explain the nature of your disability/condition:	
We will check your registration and evidence held with Studer	nt Wellbeing unless you ask us not to.
Have you applied for Disabled Students' Allowances (DSAs)? Yes	
If yes, please give details of why you need additional support	

### SECTION 10: Supporting Statement to be completed by ALL applicants

Please state why you are in financial difficulty and in need of additional support. See questions below which may assist with this. Please note, if you disclose any information which may give rise to any concerns (in particular in relation to Fitness to Practise, safeguarding and breaches of Tier 4 visas), the assessors have a responsibility to follow University policies and procedures (continue on a separate sheet, if required): • Why are you currently in financial difficulty? • What measures have you taken to help yourself? Have you experienced any unforeseen circumstances?

# SECTION 11: Application Declaration to be completed by ALL applicants

We will check certain information you declare with relevant departments within the University of Lincoln in confidence and in support of your application. If you do not agree with these checks being made, please tick here		
Some professional courses, such as Nursing & Midwifery carry additional expectations about professional behaviour – this is called Fitness to Practise. We are obliged to report anything you detail in your application that raises concerns about your Fitness to Practise.		
I certify that to the best of my knowledge:		
I have read and agree to the Terms and Conditions in Section 1 of this form.		
I am a 'Home' status student (as defined by Student Finance England or appropriate funding authority).		
I declare that the information I have given on this form is correct and complete.		
I am aware that there are Additional Assessing Notes 2023/24 on the Student Services website.		
I have read and understand the Student Support Centre Privacy Statement – https://lncn.ac/8fh		
Evidence Checklist:		
Bank statements annotated, as specified in section 5 (all accounts)		
Funding evidence (provisions)		
Housing/accommodation costs		
Welfare benefits (if applicable)		
Any other relevant evidence to support your application		
I understand that giving false information will automatically disqualify my application and may also lead to disciplinary procedures resulting in possible expulsion from the University. I further undertake to repay any award obtained by me as a result.		
Your Name (in capitals)		
Your signature		
Student ID Date		
How did you hear about these funds?		
Email campaign or talk/presentation		
Social Media / posters		
Applied before		
From fellow students		
Via your academic or other University of Lincoln Department		
Referral from Student Support or Student Wellbeing		
Website		
Student Union		
Other		