

Eligibility Criteria for a Teacher Education bursary - SKE (for programmes starting before 30th Sept 2020)

From the first day of training you must meet and continue to meet the criteria set out below:

- You must have accepted a conditional offer of a place on an eligible initial teacher training (ITT) course via UCAS or through Teach First, and the completion of this SKE course must be a specific condition of this offer.
- You must be on a corresponding ITT course, eg only those applying for an English ITT course can access funding for an English SKE.
- Your highest academic qualification **must** be at the level of UK Honours degree classification 2:2 or above. We cannot pay your SKE bursary until your final degree classification has been confirmed.
- You can only claim SKE bursary funding for a maximum of 28 weeks overall (with the exception of language SKEs).
- You may be eligible to take two SKE courses (in languages only) where it is a condition of your ITT course to complete a dual SKE course. If you are completing the two (language) SKE courses at the same time, then you will only receive one SKE bursary.
- You can only receive one teacher education bursary at any one time. Therefore if your SKE course runs at the same time as your initial teacher training course, you will only receive the initial teacher training bursary.
- If your SKE course runs at the same time as your School Direct **Salaried** course, the SKE bursary will stop when the School Direct salary starts.
- You must meet the requirement to be 'Home or EU status' for the purpose of assessment of fees. This means meeting one or more of the definitions for being an 'eligible' student to receive grants and loans towards tuition fees or living costs as set out in the Education (Student Support) Regulations 2011 for your previous undergraduate study (even if you did not take this funding). Trainees from the Isle of Man, Jersey and Guernsey may not meet one of the definitions above. However, they may still be eligible for support from their respective home education departments and, where this is the case, they will still be eligible for a training bursary on the basis that they meet all other criteria.
- If you do not start your SKE course, you are not entitled to receive any SKE bursary.
- If you withdraw from, or cease to engage with, the SKE course, your SKE bursary payments will stop, and you will be expected to repay any overpayment of bursary. You must promptly notify your course leader/student support adviser of your intention to leave the course.
- You **must** agree to comply with the terms and conditions of the scheme; these include:
 - promptly informing us of any changes to your bank account or address details,
 - promptly informing us of your intention to withdraw from the course

Further details are available on the [Department for Education](#) website.

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