

Sources of funding

Student Financial Support - Imperial College London

Here you will find information on various funding schemes available for prospective and current undergraduate and postgraduate students. There is also information on Tuition Fees and guidance on how much you can expect to spend while studying at Imperial.

Further information is available here: <http://www3.imperial.ac.uk/registry/studentfinancialsupport>

NHS Student Bursaries

Provides financial support to students studying for a medical degree. The NHS Business Services Authority administers these bursaries for healthcare and social work students on behalf of the Department of Health.

Further information is available here: <http://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/students>

Access to Learning Fund

Access to learning fund can provide extra financial support if you are facing financial hardship. You can apply if you're a full-time or part-time higher education student, whether you're doing an undergraduate or postgraduate course.

Further information is available here:

http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/EducationAndLearning/UniversityAndHigherEducation/StudentFinance/Typosoffinance/DG_171615

Additional sources of funding for medical students

There are a number of organisations that offer financial support to certain groups of medical student. The following list is not an exhaustive one and we recommend you also conduct research online for other funding options that may be available to you.

Funding options available to students undertaking medicine as either a first or second degree.

Gilchrist Education Trust

This Trust provides grants to students in the later part of their course who find themselves in severe financial difficulty and may prevent completion of the course.

Further information is available here: <http://www.gilchristgrants.org.uk/>

The Leathersellers' Company

This organisation offers funding to students who are due to begin a full time degree or currently studying for one.

Further information is available here: <http://www.leathersellers.co.uk/content.php?pid=65>

Professional Classes Aid Council

This organisation provides financial support to students already enrolled at university who have planned funding for tuition fees and maintenance, but have found that funding has broken down due to circumstances beyond their control.

Further information is available here: http://pcac.org.uk/?page_id=106

The Medical Women's Federation

The Federation awards a variety - of grants and prizes throughout the year for female medical students. Funds are available only for female students undertaking full time study towards a medical degree leading to GMC registration as a doctor.

Further information is available here:

<http://www.medicalwomensfederation.org.uk/new/Medical%20Students/Grants.html>

Royal Air Force Medical Cadetship

Undergraduates can apply for funding towards their medical degree but once graduated and registered with the General Medical Council you are asked to join the RAF.

Further information is available here: <http://www.raf.mod.uk/careers/jobs/medicalsponsorship.cfm>

Army Undergraduate Cadetship

This cadetship offers medical students the opportunity to apply for funding towards tuition fees. Once graduated and registered with the General Medical Council you must serve for six years on a Short Commission with the Army.

Further information is available here: <http://www.army.mod.uk/join/20141.aspx>

Royal Navy Medical Cadetship

This cadetship offers medical students the opportunity to apply for funding towards tuition fees. Once graduated and registered with the General Medical Council you must serve for six years on a Short Commission with the Royal Navy.

Further information is available here:

<http://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/Careers/Salaries-and-Scholarships/Before-and-During-University>

Royal Medical Benevolent Fund:

Aims to help medical students who are in exceptional financial hardship as a result of sudden and unexpected factors outside their control.

Further information is available here:

http://www.ed.ac.uk/polopoly_fs/1.82160!/fileManager/RMBF%20Medical%20Student%20Hardship%20Fund.pdf

Royal College of Surgeons

The Royal College of Surgeons (RCS) offer a number of awards to medical students who opt to undertake an intercalated BSc in Surgery. The RCS also offer an Elective prize.

Further information is available here: <http://www.rcseng.ac.uk/surgeons/research/awards-and-grants/medical-student-awards>

The Leverhulme Trade Charities Trust

The Leverhulme Trade Charities Undergraduate Bursaries are designed to provide support for eligible UK students i.e. those who are (or who are connected with) Commercial Travellers, Grocers or Chemists in financial need undertaking full-time Undergraduate first degree courses at institutions in the United Kingdom, leading to recognised degrees.

Further information is available here:

<http://www.leverhulme-trade.org.uk/undergraduate/introduction.cfm>

Sir Richard Stapley Education Trust

This Trust provides grants to students who are over the age of 24 and wish to pursue a degree in medicine. Applicants both with and without an undergraduate degree are welcome to apply.

Further information is available here: <http://www.stapleytrust.org/wp/about/>

Funding options available to students undertaking medicine as a first degree.

The Frank Buttle Trust

This organisation provides funding for 16-20 year olds facing severe social, emotional or health problems, to help them through completing their education.

Further information is available here: <http://www.buttleuk.org/pages/grant-programmes-students-trainees-programme-46.html>

Helena Kennedy Foundation

This Foundation offers a package of financial, personal and practical support and opportunities designed to support transition into higher education, enhance the student's experience at university and improve chances of employment after graduation.

Further information is available here: http://www.hkf.org.uk/awards_who_can_apply.php

Family Action's Educational Grants

Family Action offers educational funding through various grant programmes.

Further information is available here: <http://www.family-action.org.uk/section.aspx?id=1037>

Funding for students studying medicine as a second degree

Foulkes Foundation Fellowship

The Foulkes Foundation offers grants to individuals studying medicine following the completion of a PhD in a science subject.

Further information is available here: <http://www.foulkes-foundation.org/>

The British Medical Association Charities Trust Fund

The BMA Charities Trust Fund provides grants to UK only students who are undertaking medicine as a second degree and are currently studying at a UK medical school. Applications from first year students are not accepted. Application forms are available between the 1st November and mid-January each year.

For more detailed information please email: info.bmacharities@bma.org.uk

The Grundy Educational Trust

The Trust fund provides funding for students studying post graduate medicine at Imperial College.

Further information is available here: <http://www.grundyeducationaltrust.org.uk/index.htm>

Schools Competition Act Settlement Trust

The organisation awards various scholarships and bursaries for postgraduate students who are former pupils of contributing schools.

Further information is available here: <http://www.scast.org.uk/index.php/awd-sup>

Useful websites:

<http://www3.imperial.ac.uk/studentfinance> - information on funding university life at Imperial College

<http://www.money4medstudents.org/> - support available from the government, part-time and vacation job opportunities, sources of funding for intercalated degrees & Electives, competitions, as well as access to Hardship funding.