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<b>ACADEMIC YEAR 2024 / 2025</b>
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## APPLICATION FOR UNIVERSITY OF KENT SUPPORT FOR NEW INDEPENDENT STUDENTS UNDER 20 YEARS OF AGE

The university is offering the following support to independent students, who are under 20 years of age, and have been in receipt of income support whilst in full time education before starting at Kent. The support is aimed at providing help in areas identified as being of concern to these young people.

- Guaranteed access to accommodation over holiday periods, including the summer vacation
- A one-off £600 cash bursary towards the costs of starting life at University.
- A one-off payment of £100 towards graduation costs for students who attend their graduation ceremony (evidence of booking confirmation in year of graduation required).

You may apply for the support package if you meet the following criteria:

- You are a new, undergraduate student at the University of Kent
- You are under 20 years of age
- You are a UK home fee paying student and have been in receipt of income support whilst in full time education prior to starting at Kent
- You can provide documentation that you were in receipt of income support for a minimum of 6 months immediately before starting at Kent

Name (in full)	Student ID No. (UoK)
Address (term)	Telephone No.
	Email (UoK)

**Please tick box if you agree with the following statement:**

I was under 20 years of age at 01 September 2024	
I was in full time education immediately before starting at Kent	
I was in receipt of income support / universal credits for a minimum of 6 months immediately before starting at Kent	

**Please confirm the dates you were in receipt of income support:**

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**Please provide the following evidence:**

Written confirmation that you were in receipt of income support for this period of time

**AND**

A photocopy of 3 months bank statements showing the income support being paid in

**STUDENT DECLARATION:**

- I declare that the information that I have given on this form is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and I understand that giving false information will automatically disqualify my application and may also lead to disciplinary procedures.

Signed  
Student

Date

Print name

In order for us to determine your eligibility for this support you should complete this application form and email it, with all supporting documentation, to [FinancialAid@kent.ac.uk](mailto:FinancialAid@kent.ac.uk)

**PLEASE NOTE: If the evidence provided with your application is insufficient then a request will be made for additional backup information.**

**Support will not be granted until all relevant documentation has been received and agreed.**

**PAYMENT**

Payment will be made directly into your bank account. Please complete and sign the attached Electronic Transfer Form so that the University can make any payment to you.

Dear Student

**Payment by Electronic Transfer**

The University of Kent's preferred payment method in relation to Hardship Funds is via Electronic Transfer.

Please could you complete your personal and bank account details below and submit it to the Financial Aid Office with your application.

If your bank details change during the academic year you will need to go to the Financial Aid Office and complete a new form.

Full Name (as it appears on your Bank Account)

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Kent Student ID No \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone No \_\_\_\_\_

Bank Account Number

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Sort Code

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Bank Account Reference (if applicable)

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I confirm that the information I have given on this form is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge.

I understand that it is my responsibility to make sure that the bank details are correct and up to date so that I can receive payments from the University.

Student signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Confidentiality**

This form will be viewed by the Students' Union Advisers, Student Services, Financial Aid Office, Congregations & the University Payments Office. This form will be destroyed in accordance with our data retention policy.

**Data Protection Law**

The University of Kent is a data controller in terms of Data Protection Law. The Students' Union Advisers, Student Services, Financial Aid Office, Congregations & the University Payments Office all follow the University's policy in matters of data protection. The data requested in this form is covered by the notification provided by the University to the Information Commissioner. Personal data can be used solely for making a payment.

The data will not be passed to any other third party without your consent, except when the University is required to do so by law. For more information on Data Protection at Kent please see our website

[www.kent.ac.uk/infocompliance/](http://www.kent.ac.uk/infocompliance/)