



UNIVERSITY OF
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Summer Financial Assistance Fund – Summer 2017

These funds are intended to assist continuing University of Lincoln students who cannot work (i.e. paid work) over the Summer Vacation Period.

- The Fund opens at the end of your academic year (Monday 29th May 2017 for most students – Social Work & Nursing will be later).
- Applications can be made up to the **closing date of Friday 1st September 2017.**
- For students who are applying to the Fund for the **first time** in academic year 2016/17:
 - you will be required to provide photocopies of all applicable and mandatory evidence as identified within the application form. Students must also prove they are in financial hardship.
- For students who have **previously applied** in academic year 2016/17:
 - you will be required to provide bank statements for all of your accounts for the previous 6 weeks (explain all debits and credits which are £100 or more) as well as appropriate supporting evidence of your situation over the summer vacation period. Students must also prove they are in financial hardship.

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Any award from this Fund is a one-off payment. A guide to categories of eligible students are as follows:

- **Lone parent students who cannot work due to caring commitments for dependent children.**

Documentary evidence supporting a claim for caring commitments must be submitted. **Evidence must substantiate the fact the student has responsibility for the care of a child throughout the summer vacation period.**

- **Students certified unfit for work through either ill health or disability.**

Documentary evidence supporting a claim for ill health/disability must be submitted. **Evidence must substantiate the fact that the student will not be able to work for a considerable period.**

- **Students unable to work due to two or more re-sit examinations.**
- **Students unable to work for any other reason (e.g. caring responsibilities, geographical location, etc).**

Supporting evidence must be supplied.

- **Exceptional one off payments** can also be considered in exceptional circumstances. Also, if you have been looking for part-time work for a prolonged number of weeks but have been unsuccessful and are suffering financial hardship, you may apply but are required to supply detailed evidence of all your efforts.