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PART 5

GRANTS FOR LIVING AND OTHER COSTS

CHAPTER 5

GRANTS FOR TRAVEL

**Interpretation**

**50.** For the purposes of this Chapter—

- (a) any reference to expenditure incurred for the purpose of attending an institution or period of study—
  - (i) includes expenditure both before and after so attending; and
  - (ii) does not include any expenditure in respect of which a grant is payable under Chapter 3 of this Part;
- (b) “qualifying quarter” means a quarter during which the eligible student attends as part of the student’s course an overseas institution or the Institute for at least half the period covered by that quarter.

**General**

**51.** A grant for travel is available—

- (a) to eligible students attending courses in medicine or dentistry in accordance with regulation 52;
- (b) to eligible students attending an overseas institution or the Institute in accordance with regulation 54.

**Qualifying conditions for the grant for travel – courses in medicine and dentistry**

**52.** A grant is available to an eligible student attending a course in medicine or dentistry (a necessary part of which is a period of study by way of clinical training) in respect of the reasonable expenditure which the student is obliged to incur in an academic year for the purpose of attending in connection with the student’s course any hospital or other premises in the United Kingdom or Republic of Ireland (not comprised in the institution) at which facilities for clinical training are provided other than expenditure incurred for the purpose of residential study away from the institution.

### **Amount of the grant for travel – courses in medicine and dentistry**

53. The amount of grant payable under regulation 52 in respect of an academic year is equal to the reasonable expenditure that the Department determines the eligible student is obliged to incur for the purposes set out in that regulation less £303.

### **Qualifying conditions for the grant for travel – overseas study**

54. A grant is available to an eligible student in respect of the reasonable expenditure which the student is obliged to incur in each qualifying quarter within or outside the United Kingdom for the purpose of attending as part of the student's course the overseas institution or the Institute.

### **Amount of the grant for travel – overseas study**

55. The amount of grant payable under regulation 54 in respect of an academic year is calculated as follows—

$$(X - £303) + Y \text{ where—}$$

*X* is the aggregate of the reasonable travel costs that the eligible student is obliged to incur in each qualifying quarter for the purposes set out in regulation 54.

*Y* is the aggregate of the expenditure incurred in each qualifying quarter specified in regulation 56.

56. The expenditure specified in this regulation is—

- (a) expenditure that the eligible student reasonably incurs in insuring against liability for the cost of medical treatment provided outside the United Kingdom for any illness or bodily injury contracted or suffered during the period the student is attending the overseas institution or the Institute;
- (b) the cost of a visa or visas that the eligible student is obliged to obtain in order to attend the overseas institution or the Institute; and
- (c) medical costs that the eligible student reasonably incurs in order to fulfil a mandatory condition of entry into the territory, country or state in which the overseas institution or the Institute is situated.

### **Deductions from the grant for travel**

57. A deduction may be made from any grant under this Chapter in accordance with Part 9.