

# ENABLE

## Financial Support Package

*Students starting in 2025-26 to 2028-29*

The ENABLE financial support package is designed to lighten the financial burden on students with disabilities by contributing to specific costs associated with a student's disability and not covered by DSA. It is linked to the College's Access and Participation Plan.

This package is means-tested and is applicable for any undergraduate student of the College who started their studies between 2025-26 and 2028-29, and

- is eligible for a UK government student loan, and
- has declared a disability to the College.<sup>1</sup>

Students who started their studies prior to 2025, should refer to the version of the ENABLE package in operation in the year of starting studies.

ENABLE provides financial support towards expenses that are

- associated with the student's disability, and
- not covered by DSA,<sup>2</sup> and
- will help to facilitate the studies of these students.

For advice on the kinds of expenses which are/aren't covered by DSA, please contact the College's Student Welfare Manager.

Support from ENABLE can only be towards costs associated with the current academic year. The money given is a grant not a loan and in some cases will cover only part of the costs involved.

Decisions on awards are made by the College's Financial Support Panel. The criteria used for decisions on allocating support to eligible students will be

- a) the extent to which the support is likely to have a positive impact on the student's studies
- b) the student's proactivity in applying for financial support from other sources (including, but not limited to, DSA), and
- c) financial need.

ENABLE will be advertised by publication on a VLE page that is accessible to all undergraduate students, and emails will be sent to potentially eligible students. Information on the VLE will include details of the application requirements and deadlines. Personal tutors will be informed about this package and students will be encouraged to discuss their potential application with their personal tutor or, if they have them, their Learning Assistance Tutor or Specialist Mentor.

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<sup>1</sup> This may be a self-declaration (if condition meets the [Equality Act 2010 definition of disability](#)); it does not need to be a formal diagnosis.

<sup>2</sup> The exception to this is an ongoing expense which DSA has approved but not yet contributed towards. ENABLE may provide financial support towards expenses incurred in the interim period between DSA approval and receipt of DSA contributions.

The deadline for applications is 15<sup>th</sup> November of each year, with no applications considered before this date. If there is budget remaining after applications submitted before the deadline have been considered, an advertisement for a further round of applications will be made (typically around Easter time). All eligible students are invited to apply, and will receive a response within the normal time expectations of the College.

Financial support from ENABLE will be paid direct to the recipients' bank accounts as a reimbursement once proof of payment, such as a receipt, has been provided to [financialsupport@moorlands.ac.uk](mailto:financialsupport@moorlands.ac.uk). Direct payment to a service provider can be arranged if necessary. Receipt of support from ENABLE will have no impact on eligibility to apply for financial support under other packages.

If, after submitting their application, the student decides they no longer need the item or service given in the application, the student is requested to inform the College by emailing [financialsupport@moorlands.ac.uk](mailto:financialsupport@moorlands.ac.uk).

## Document history

2 October 2019	SMT approved package
30 October 2019	Approved by SMT: addition of note that, if money remains after 1 November, late applications may be accepted.
21 September 2020	Approved by ELT: amendments for 2020 and thereafter, including widening the eligibility to all sorts of disadvantage. Approved by VP Quality: amendment to one date to replace the year with "the relevant year".
8 February 2021	Updated to add age restriction to POLAR4 and separate from IMD ('socioeconomic') into 'low HE access area'. Footnotes adjusted to match.
21 March 2022	ELT approved removal of reference to actual budget amounts and changed to "Annual budget limits set in line with A&P plans."; award amounts can change if student circumstances change, awards can be paid into student College fee account.
10 July 2023	Changes to eligibility criteria as detailed in the 'A&P Plan 2020-25 Implementation for 2023-24' and agreed by ELT, namely the removal of Age and the addition of TUNDRA MSOA. Also, correction of eligible POLAR4 and IMD quintiles to include quintile 2 and updating of footnote website links.
10 February 2025	Approved by ELT: Changes to eligibility criteria as detailed in Access and Participation Plan 2025-29.