STUDENT MONEY ADVICE AND RIGHTS TEAM (SMART)

ITT Subject Knowledge Enhancement (SKE) Training Bursary 2021/22

Please do not complete this bursary form if you are an international student

To be eligible for an SKE bursary, SKE trainees must hold at least a 2nd class UK honours degree and must have firmly accepted a conditional offer of a place on an eligible ITT course via UCAS Teacher Training or Apply (which may be a deferred ITT place) or via an HPITT provider for September 2022. The completion of an SKE course must be a specific condition of the ITT offer.

EEA and Home trainees must meet the eligibility criteria including residency and immigration status, as set out in the Education (Student Support) Regulations 2011, part two (eligibility). Student Loans Company can be contacted for further information on this. EU nationals resident in the UK before the end of the transition period on 31 December 2020, who qualify for pre-settled or settled status under the EU Settlement Scheme, will continue to be eligible for home fee status and student financial support on a similar basis to domestic students, subject to meeting usual residency requirements. Overseas trainees are not eligible for SKE bursary.

SKE funding is available for courses of 8 to 28 weeks in the following subjects: biology, chemistry, computing, design and technology, English, languages, mathematics, physics, religious education and primary mathematics. The SKE training bursary will reflect the FTE duration of the SKE programme, not the overall actual duration of the SKE programme.

Trainees who have obtained a degree in their chosen ITT subject in the previous five years are no longer eligible for SKE funding. For example, a participant with a mathematics degree awarded in the previous 5 years who has applied to do ITT in secondary mathematics would not be eligible for SKE funding.

SKE bursary funding is £175 per week per participant, paid over the duration of the SKE programme in equal monthly instalments, until the course is finished. The bursary payments will be paid by the 10th working day of the month, one month in arrears.

Bank Details

If awarded, your award will be paid into the bank details provided on your UEL Direct account. Trainees' bank accounts must be capable of receiving direct credits and must be in the name of the trainee undertaking the enhancement course. Payments will not be made to third parties.

To securely upload bank details on UEL Direct:

Step 1: Login to My Record (<u>UEL direct</u>)

Step 2: Click on My Payments

Step 3: Click on 'Bank Details - Add, Amend & View'

Step 4: Follow instructions to submit your bank details

Step 5: Once submitted you will receive an email that you must read and click on the 'Click Confirm' link (if this link is not received please contact the hub on 020 8223 4444 at once to confirm and ask that the link was not received so my colleagues can help)

Step 6: Confirm the bank details you have submitted are correct

It is your responsibility to ensure that correct bank details are provided.

Withdrawal

Where a trainee starts but later withdraws from their SKE course, they will be eligible to receive the bursary for the portion of the SKE programme they have completed. E.g. if a participant completes 1 week of a course before withdrawing, they are entitled to receive £175. Bursary is not pro rata for partial week.

In the event of an overpayment for the training bursary due to a participant withdrawing before completing full week, any overpayments for non-completion will be recovered.

Trainees must inform their withdrawal to the ittfunding@uel.ac.uk mailbox as soon as possible.

Application Forms

Completed application forms must be emailed to ittfunding@uel.ac.uk with a copy of degree certificate, and a copy of Biometric residency/settlement card for EU and non-UK nationals.