

### IMPORTANT Application Deadlines for New & Continuing Full-Time Students

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The deadline for 14/15 applications for new and continuing full time students are imminent and we are seeking help from partner organisations across the sector in encouraging students to apply now. To ensure that students will have their support in place for the start of the term.

The deadlines for all domiciles are:

Domicile	New students	Continuing
SFE	30 May	27 June
SFW	16 May (passed)	6 June
SFNI	4 April (passed)	13 June

We are aware that due to the time of year, the amount of contact you may have with your new and returning students will differ but please could we ask that you use any channels possible to encourage applications.

If you have contact with students during clearing, could you ask them if they have applied and encourage them to do so if they haven't. Alternatively, if the student has applied under a different institution, can you remind them to notify the award authority of this change.

To assist we've created some resources which we would ask you to share through your various communications channels, including social media. These include:

- Information for your website about student finance
- Social media messages – please feel free to 'share' and 're-tweet' messages that SFE/SFW will be posting too.
- SFE YouTube channel at [www.youtube.com/SFEFilm](http://www.youtube.com/SFEFilm) which has a range of one-minute videos about student finance

- Links to various practitioner resources to help support students which includes videos and guides at [www.practitioners.slc.co.uk](http://www.practitioners.slc.co.uk) or [www.studentfinancewales.co.uk/practitioners](http://www.studentfinancewales.co.uk/practitioners)

We hope that these resources are useful and thank you for your continued support.

The message that Student Finance England have circulated for partners to use reads as follows.

#### Customer messages for new students applying to Student Finance England:

##### Deadline for Student Finance England application is approaching!

Are you starting a full-time course at university or college in Autumn 2014? The deadline for applications is Friday 30 May.

Are you returning to a full-time course at university or college in Autumn 2014? The deadline for applications is Friday 27 June.

Don't wait - apply for student finance online now at [www.gov.uk/studentfinance](http://www.gov.uk/studentfinance).

Got a question about student finance or your application? Why not follow Student Finance England on Facebook ([facebook.com/SFEngland](https://facebook.com/SFEngland)) or Twitter (@SF\_England) where you can ask a question which will be answered by an SFE adviser, Monday to Friday between 2.00 and 4.00p.m.

For useful one-minute films about student finance please go to [www.youtube.com/SFEFilm](http://www.youtube.com/SFEFilm)

For a range of helpful tools and guidance visit The Student Finance Zone at [www.thestudentroom.co.uk/studentfinance](http://www.thestudentroom.co.uk/studentfinance).

You can ask a student finance question by joining one of the Student Finance surgeries on [www.thestudentroom.co.uk/askSFE](http://www.thestudentroom.co.uk/askSFE) every Wednesday between 1.00p.m. and 4.00p.m.