

## **Student Finance England Application service for new students opens on 20th January 2014**

New students can apply to Student Finance England from **20 January 2014** for funding for academic year 2014/15.

New students will be able to apply on [www.gov.uk/studentfinance](http://www.gov.uk/studentfinance).

The process for continuing students is different. It is better to wait for Student Finance England to contact them before they re-apply. SFE will start contacting students from the end of February.

For a range of helpful tools and guidance students can visit [www.thestudentroom.co.uk/studentfinance](http://www.thestudentroom.co.uk/studentfinance).

SLC received over 1.14 million applications last year and we are continuing to improve the application process to make it as easy as possible for students and their sponsors. The new application form for this year has been designed with significant input from students to make it quicker and easier to apply for funding, as well as being easier to navigate and understand.

There are a range of resources available for you to download and order to help students apply for student finance.

You can find these at [www.practitioners.slc.co.uk](http://www.practitioners.slc.co.uk).

The resources section of the website will be regularly updated with new information and materials so please check back often.

We will have further updates regarding the service launch on our website at [www.slc.co.uk/stakeholders-partners](http://www.slc.co.uk/stakeholders-partners).

Kind regards.

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