

Student Services

Supporting student success and wellbeing



UNIVERSITY OF
BATH



University & Estranged Students

Information on Guidance and Support available to you whilst at the University of Bath

Student Money Advice

You can get information, advice and guidance on a range of financial issues from Student Money Advice. They can help you apply for your student funding, give budgeting advice and they also administer the University of Bath Hardship Fund.

www.bath.ac.uk/professional-services/student-money-advice

Counselling and Mental Health

This team can provide you with confidential one to one support to help you explore, clarify and understand personal difficulties in a non-judgmental setting.

www.bath.ac.uk/professional-services/counselling-mental-health

Wellbeing Service

Wellbeing Advisers give students advice and guidance on all welfare and wellbeing issues and provide out of hours help when other services are closed. They run daily drop-in sessions on campus and in the city centre.

www.bath.ac.uk/professional-services/wellbeing-service

Academic Skills

The Skills Centre provide year round study skills classes, including 1:1 tutorials from the Writing Centre, for all students whatever course you are studying. These classes include academic writing,



critical thinking, giving presentations, and maths and statistics.

www.bath.ac.uk/professional-services/academic-skills-programme-asp

Students' Union Advice & Support Service

Provides independent, confidential and non-judgmental information and support to all students.

This includes:

- Academic appeals and reviews, considering changing course, academic misconduct or disciplinary issues, housing, health and wellbeing.
- They also have contact with the Academic Reps, Hall Reps and Peer Mentors.

www.thesubath.com/advice

The University is committed to supporting students from a wide range of backgrounds and circumstances and therefore encourages you to disclose your estrangement so additional support can be provided if required. Please contact Student Services if you have any concerns before or during your studies at Bath.

Chaplaincy

Offers you a place of quiet and support if you need to chat or somewhere to discuss any issues. People of all faiths or none are welcome.

www.bath.ac.uk/chaplaincy

Accommodation

University accommodation is available to estranged students for the duration of their study here at the University (365 days/each year of study). Please visit West Accommodation Centre on campus for further details or email: accommodation@bath.ac.uk. Alternatively we also manage a private sector housing database, check properties in the area at:

bath.ac.uk/guides/finding-private-sector-accommodation

Careers Advice

The Careers Service can offer you specialist practical advice and support on your current and future professional career options.

www.bath.ac.uk/professional-services/careers-service

Part-Time Work

Joblink is a service that helps students find work during term and vacation time.

www.thesubath.com/jobs

Standalone defines estranged students as “being ‘irreconcilably estranged from your parents’ if you have not had verbal or written contact with both of your biological, adoptive parents or your only living parent for a significant period of time and this will not change. A significant period of time is usually considered twelve months or longer prior to the start of your course, but this can also depend on your circumstances.”

www.standalone.org.uk/students

Health Services

The University of Bath has an onsite NHS Medical Centre which is available for all students to register with should they choose to have a local GP.

www.umcbath.co.uk

Security Service

The Security Service on campus can help, whatever the problem. They are available 24 hours a day/ seven days a week/365 days a year.

www.bath.ac.uk/professional-services/security

Disability Service

The Disability Service can provide you with information, advice and support if you have a disability, and can help with your entitlement to Disabled Students' Allowances, setting up exam arrangements or implementing disability support.

www.bath.ac.uk/professional-services/disability-service

Who to contact

If you need some advice or are experiencing difficulties and not sure who to contact, then come and see Ben or Joanna from the Student Retention & Success Team in Student Services, Roper Centre, 4 West. They will be happy to help you with any queries you may have and, if necessary, direct you to the appropriate service to meet your needs. They can also support you in applying for the University of Bath Estranged Student Bursary, which is available for Home UK students who are under 25 and can provide evidence of their estrangement. Possible evidence could include a letter from a teacher, advisor or tutor from your school or college, your GP, or social worker, who is able to verify your situation. If you are not sure about what evidence you can provide please contact Ben to discuss further.

Student Services provides information, advice and guidance on a range of issues that students may face during their time at university and have specialist teams who can help with money, disability, mental health and wellbeing issues

Phone: 01225 383838

E-mail: studentservices@bath.ac.uk

Web: www.bath.ac.uk/professional-services/student-services

Financial Support*



Tuition Fee Loan	£9,250
Maintenance Loan	£8,944
Maintenance Loan for students eligible for benefits during studies	Up to £10,194

University of Bath funding package	Bursaries and scholarships available to eligible students. Estranged students are prioritised when applying for these bursaries, including the Gold Scholarship. See: www.bath.ac.uk/campaigns/bursaries-and-scholarships-for-undergraduate-students/
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University of Bath Estranged Student Bursary	£1,000 per year plus £1,000 start-up and graduation instalments available to eligible Home UK students who can provide evidence of estrangement and who are under the age of 25. See: www.bath.ac.uk/guides/additional-support-and-funding-for-care-leavers-foyer-residents-and-estranged-students/
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Childcare Grant	Up to £290.27 per week depending on number of children
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Parents' Learning Allowance	£1,716
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* Based on UK Home Student who normally lives in England for academic year 2019/20, check www.gov.uk/student-finance for updates.

Applying for government funding as an estranged student:

We recommend applying for your funding as early as possible in case of delays. New applicants requesting to be considered estranged will be asked to provide supporting evidence from an independent third party. If you have difficulty in providing robust evidence then the SLC will contact you to discuss and help you review other possibilities. The SLC should give contact details of a named Estrangement Assessor to you at this point to provide a consistent point of contact. If no or minimal evidence of estrangement can be sourced a telephone review will be arranged to enable the SLC to make their assessment. If you have any difficulties in proving estrangement to the SLC then check the Standalone guide below and contact the Student Retention & Success Team for further guidance: www.standalone.org.uk/guides/student-guide

Useful websites

www.bath.ac.uk/courses
www.standalone.org.uk
www.gov.uk/studentfinance
www.thestudentroom.co.uk
www.ucas.com

For further information please contact Student Services

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