

CRITERIA REQUIRED FOR ELIGIBILITY EU & NON EU FEES

1. If I do not qualify above for the HEA free tuition fees, how to do I know if I qualify for EU fees?

If you do not qualify for free fees you may still be eligible for EU fee rates.

Some examples of when people might qualify for an EU fee rate are as follows:

- *You originally qualified for free fees and are now **repeating a year** that you failed.*
- *You do not fulfil any of the 6 nationality and immigration status criteria listed above but have been **tax resident** for a number of years in an EEA member state or Switzerland*
- ***From September 2014**, an Irish, EU, EEA or Swiss student who has spent at least five years in primary school or second level school in Ireland can avail of EU fee rates. Please see the fee schedule for course fees.*

2. If I do not qualify above for the EU fees, what then?

If you do not qualify for EU fees you can be charged non-EU fees. Please see the fee schedule for course fees.

3. What would Student grants cover?

Student grants provide financial support to eligible students. There are 2 elements to the student grant - a maintenance grant and a fee grant. A maintenance grant is a contribution towards your living costs. A fee grant can cover:

- *All or part of your tuition fees*
- *All or part of the student contribution*
- *Costs of essential field trips*

4. How to I apply for a grant?

SUSI (Student Universal Support Ireland) is the single national Awarding Authority for all new student grant applications. Applications for Student Grants are assessed under the criteria set out in the Student Support Act 2011, Student Support Regulations and the Student Grant Scheme.

Applications are made online and are subject to supporting documentation. The SUSI website is a comprehensive source of information on the student grant scheme and provides a handy step-by-step guide to eligibility and the grants process. The online application system for the 2018/19 academic year is now open.

<http://www.susi.ie/>

5. Where can I find further information about funding & grants with tuition fees?

On these links:

www.studentfinance.ie

<http://www3.ul.ie/courses/scholarships.shtml>