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HESES20 training

Introduction to HESES20 and changes from HESES19

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Webinar housekeeping

- Who is presenting today:
 - Main presenter: Claudia Stilliard
 - Backup presenter: Roger Lear
 - Q&A: Ross Lawlor
- How to ask a question:
 - Q&A versus chat
 - Opportunities throughout the webinar.
- Closed captions are available

What we will cover today

- The aims of this series of webinars.
- How OfS funding works, including our regulatory role and strategic funding objectives.
- How student data is collected and used to inform funding allocations.
- What changes have been made in the Higher Education Early Statistics survey for 2020-21 (HESES20) compared to prior years.

Content of the series of webinars and timetable

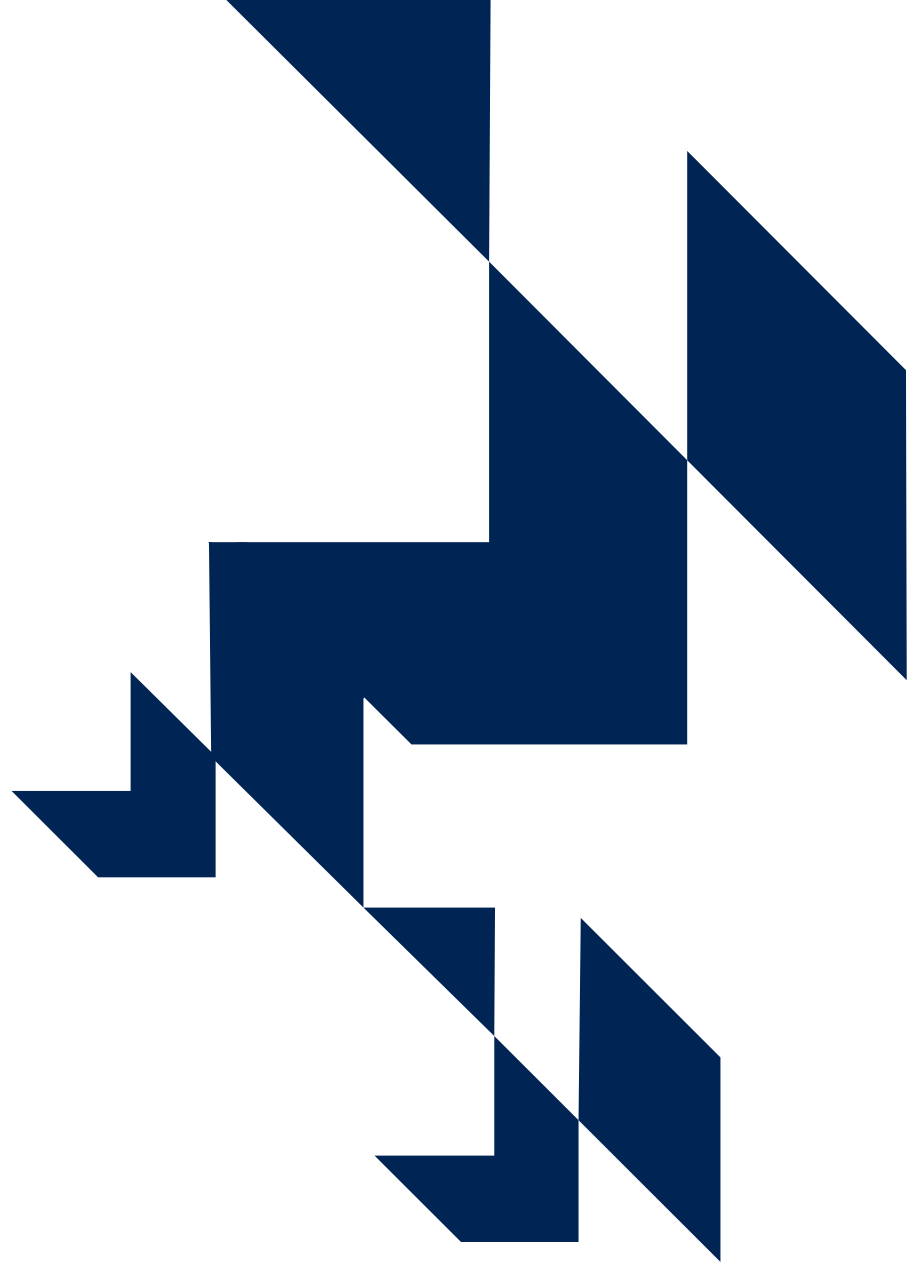
- **Introduction to HESES20 and changes from HESES19:**
1330 on Monday 28 September 2020.
- **Categorising your students and important definitions:**
1330 on Wednesday 30 September 2020.
- **Counting your students:**
1330 on Monday 5 October 2020.
- **Submission and verification of HESES20 data return:**
1330 on Wednesday 7 October 2020.
- **Hands-on workbook exercises and breakout groups:**
1330 on Monday 12 October 2020
1330 on Tuesday 20 October 2020
1330 on Wednesday 14 October 2020
1330 on Thursday 22 October 2020

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Supporting Materials

- Recordings will be available from the Office for Students website on the events page.
- We will also publish the slides on the website and any supplementary materials.
- Providers should also refer to:
 - Guide to funding 2020-21 publication
 - HESES20 – Higher Education Students Early Statistics survey 2020-21 publication
 - How to complete the HESES20 workbook publication
 - HESES website: www.officeforstudents.org.uk/heses
 - HESES videos on the OfS YouTube page: <https://www.youtube.com/officeforstudents>

Introduction to OfS funding



Who we are

- We are the independent regulator for higher education in England.
- We aim to ensure that every student, whatever their background, has a fulfilling experience of higher education that enriches their lives and careers.
- Our work covers all students:
 - undergraduate or postgraduate
 - young or mature
 - full-time or part-time
 - studying on a campus or by distance learning
 - regardless of nationality.

OfS funding powers

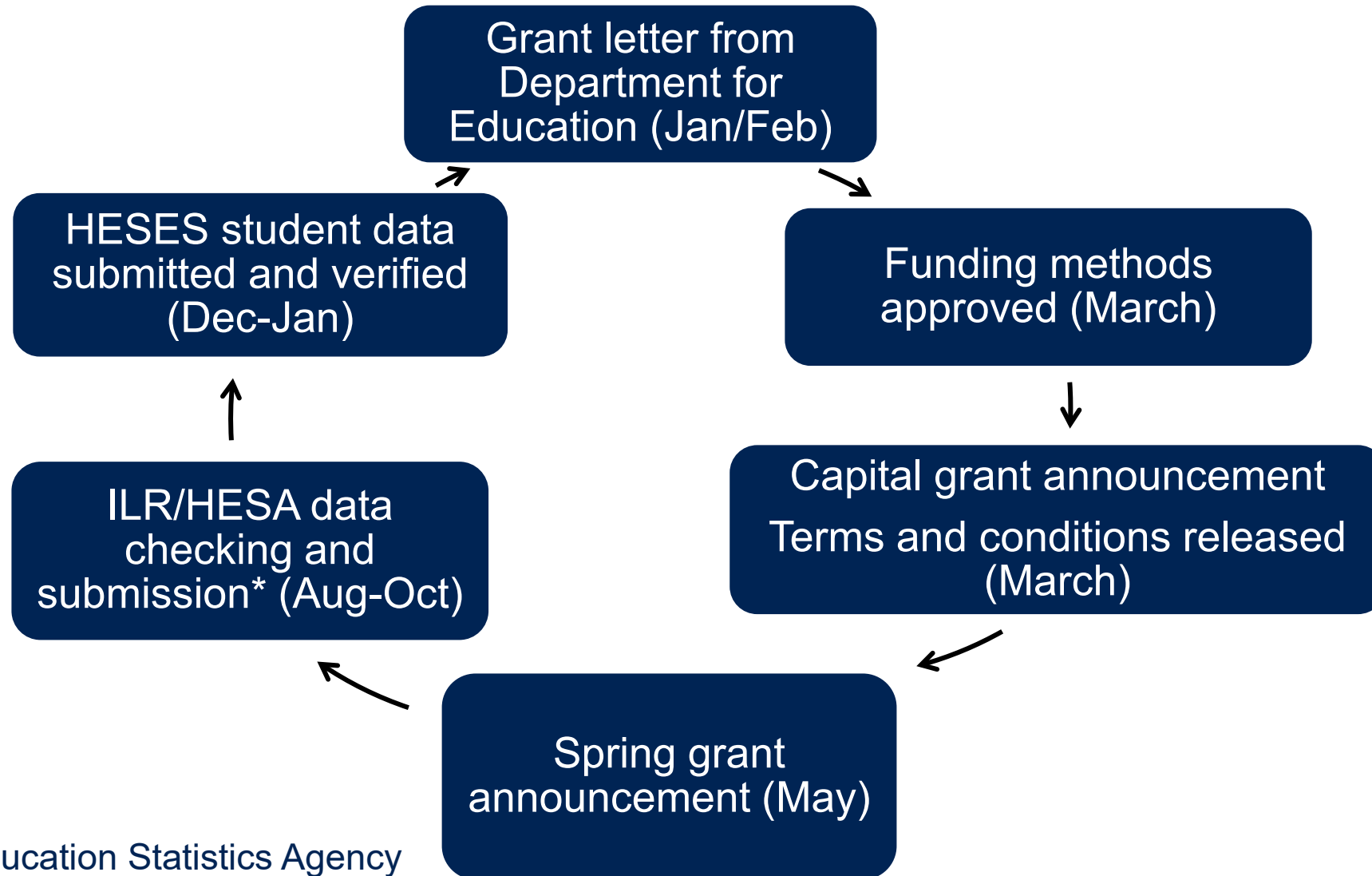
- The OfS was established in the Higher Education and Research Act of 2017 (HERA) as the independent **regulator of higher education in England**.
- We distribute government funding to registered providers:
 - given to 300+ providers in England in 2020-21
 - registered in the **Approved (fee cap)** category
 - supplementary funding to student tuition fees.

OfS teaching grant budget

- Annual budget established through guidance letter from the Secretary of State, along with policy areas to prioritise.
- OfS board determines budgets for different elements of the grant and their distribution.
- For information on capital teaching grant, see www.officeforstudents.org.uk/advice-and-guidance/funding-for-providers/annual-funding/capital-funding/

2020-21 Financial year budget element	Amount (£ million)
Recurrent teaching grant	1,329
Capital teaching grant	150
Total teaching funding	1,479

Funding round cycle



HESA = Higher Education Statistics Agency
ILR = Individualised Learner Record

OfS funding methods

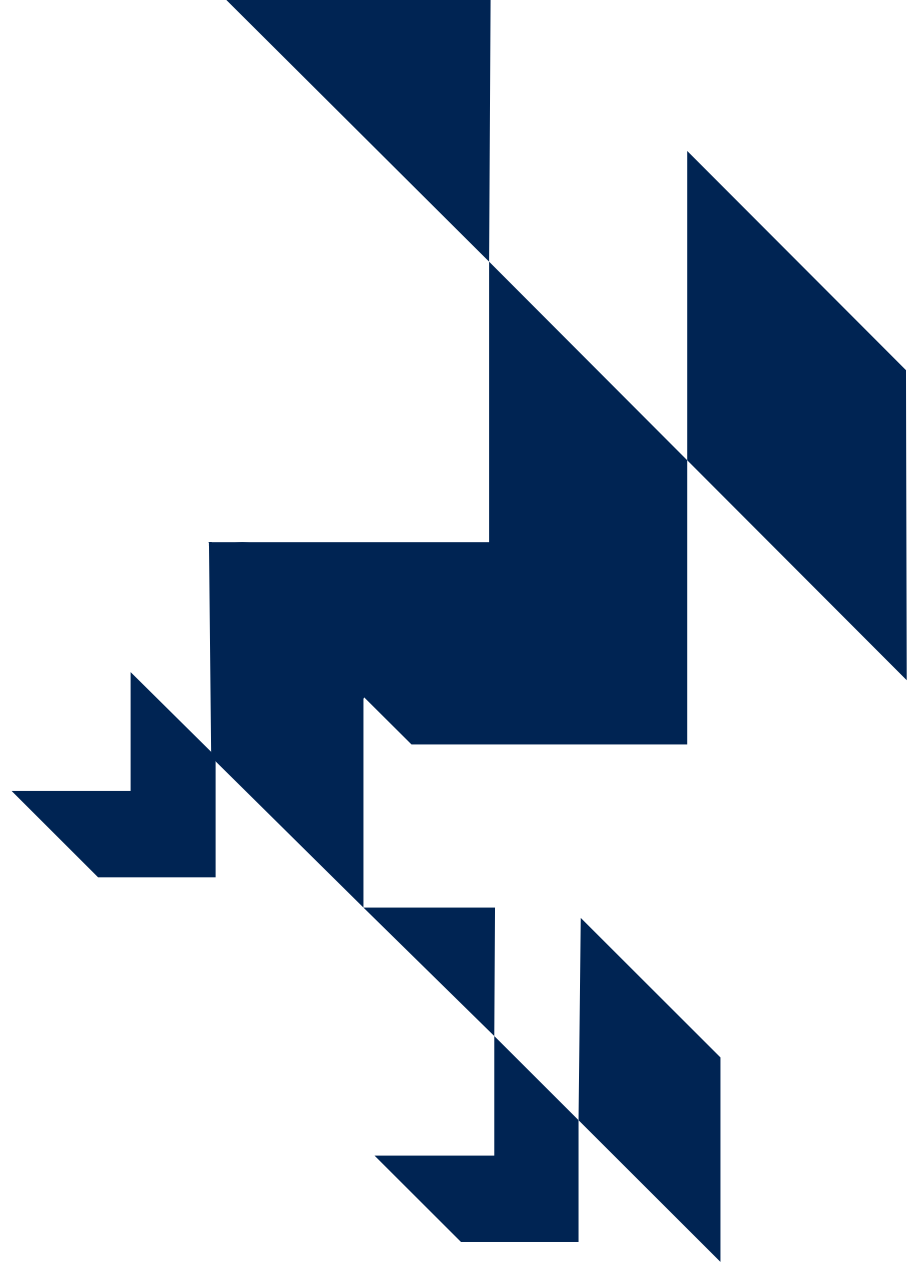
- Our funding helps to ensure the availability of high-quality, cost-effective higher education across the country. Funding helps support objectives including:
 - student choice and diversity of provision
 - high standard of provision and student experience
 - equality of opportunity.
- We do this by investing in:
 - **high-cost subjects** at undergraduate and postgraduate levels, including medicine, science, engineering and agriculture, and strategically important and vulnerable subjects
 - world-leading **specialist providers**
 - **part-time provision** and other flexible modes of delivery.

Elements of recurrent grant for 2020-21

- Our recurrent funding is provided through:

Elements of recurrent grant	Amount (£ million)
Funding for high-cost courses	895
Funding for student access and success	316
Funding for specialist providers	43
Total	1,255

Student data collection



Student data and funding

- Grants are formulaic and informed by student data.
- We fund teaching activity by using student data as a proxy measure.
- Student data used to inform funding allocations:
 - **Aggregate** – HESES and Higher Education Students Forecast (HESF) data returns
 - **Individualised** – HESA and ILR student records.
- This student data is then used in our formula funding allocations.
- Further detail and figures in **OfS Guide to funding 2020-21**: How the OfS allocates money to higher education providers (OfS 2020.23).

The structure of HESES20

HESES20

Higher Education Students Early Statistics Survey 2020-21

Provider:
UKPRN:

Workbook information

Date workbook submitted: Not yet submitted
Submission number: Not yet submitted
Deadline: 10/12/2020

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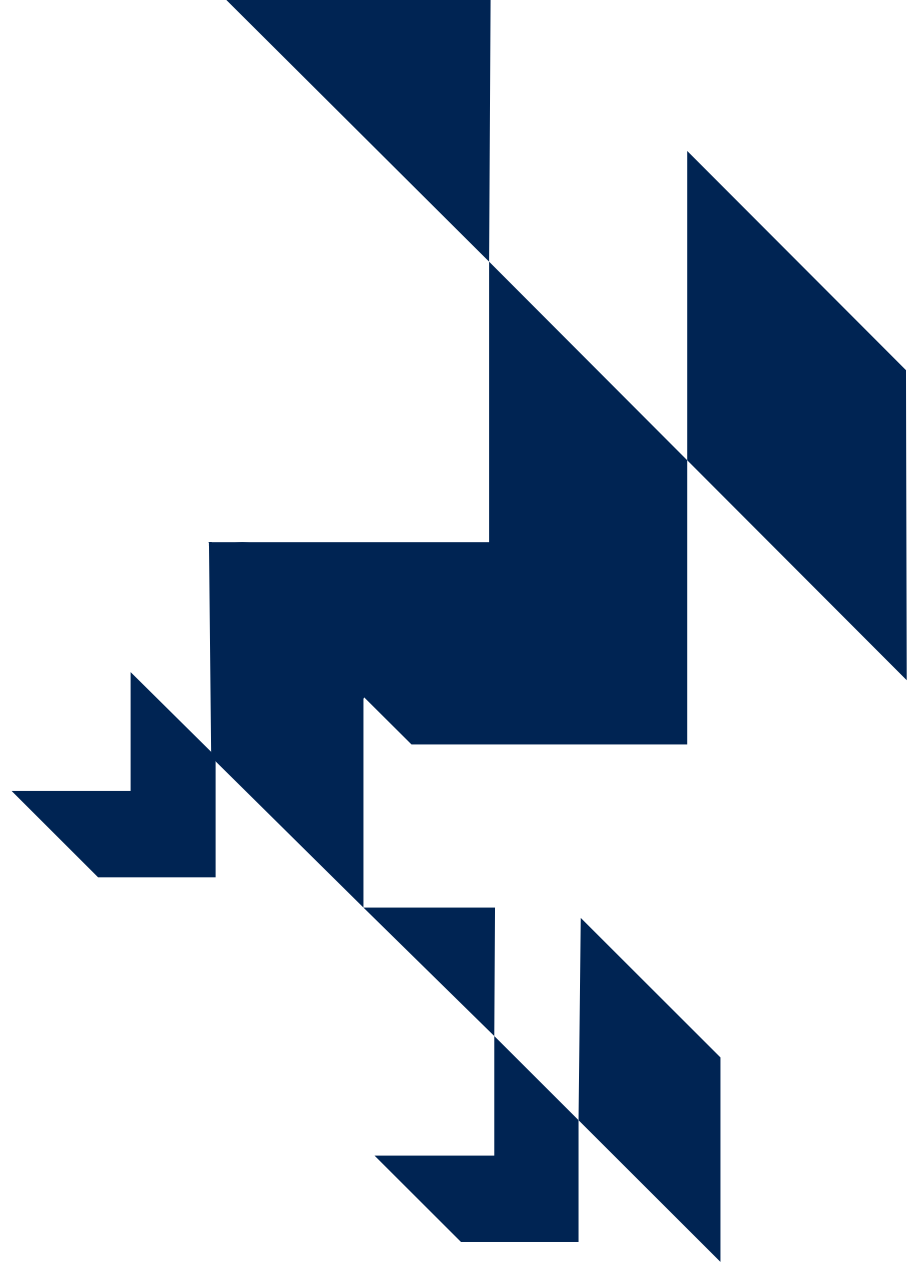
Several documents are available that it will be useful to refer to when completing the HESES20 workbook.

- Worksheets in the HESES workbook:
 - Information
 - Courses table (FECs only)
 - 1: Full-time
 - 2. Sandwich year out
 - 3. Part-time
 - 4: Years abroad
 - 5: Planning
 - 6a-6c: Health tables
 - 7: Locations

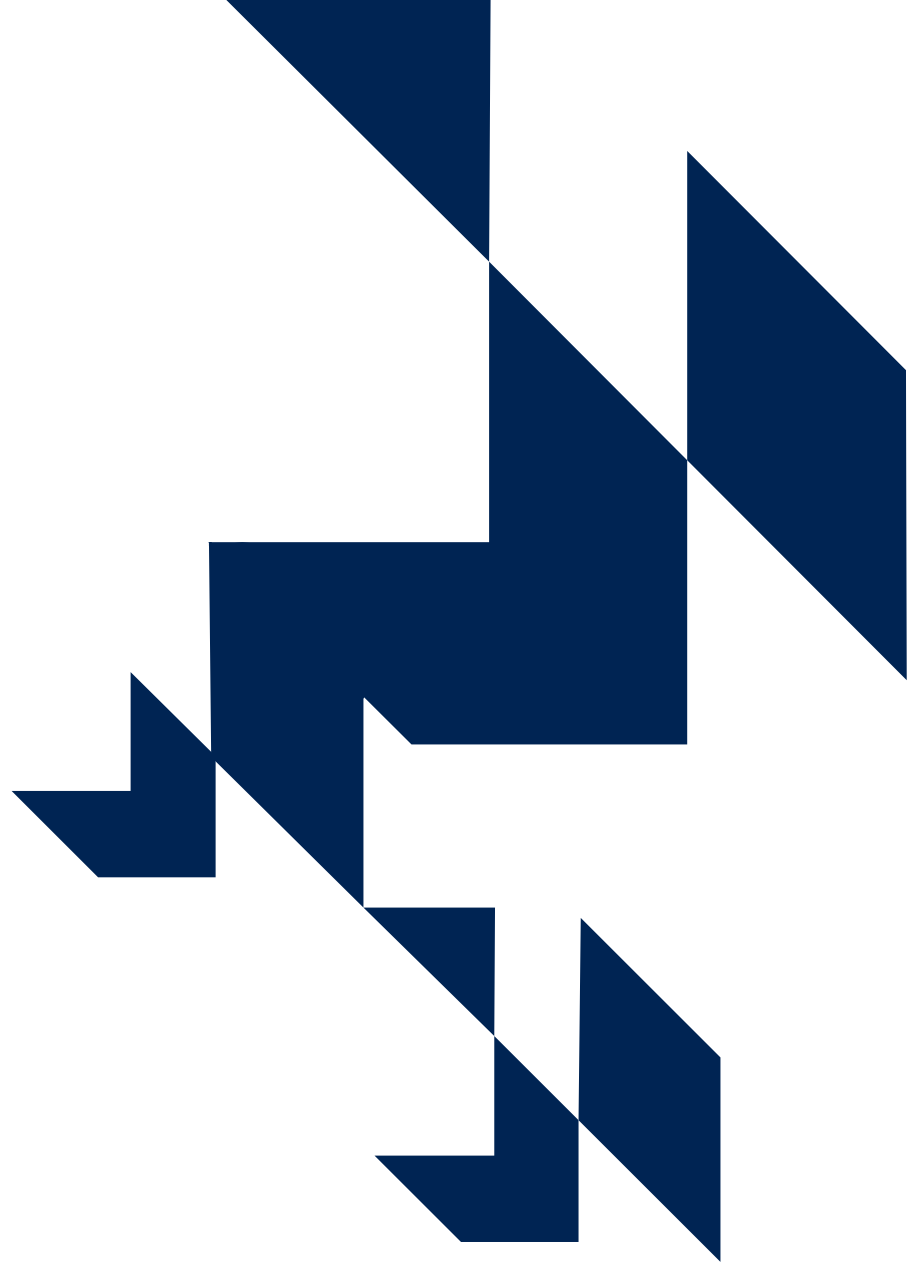
HESES process timeline

Date	Activity
October 2020	HESES20 workbook available to download from the OfS portal
1 November 2020	(Further education colleges) HESES20 census date
12 November 2020	(Further education colleges) Noon deadline to submit HESES20
1 December 2020	(All other providers) HESES20 census date
10 December 2020	(All other providers) Noon deadline to submit HESES20
Submission date until signoff date	Data verification period
2 February 2021	Deadline for HESES20 signoff by provider's accountable officer

Any questions?



Changes in HESES20



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- **Non-completion estimates:** clarifying guidance for estimated non-completions, these should be based on historical non-completion data and not skewed by exceptional circumstances, e.g. coronavirus (COVID-19).
- **Fundability definition:** Home and EU eligible students definitions expanded to include:
 - persons granted indefinite leave to remain as a victim of domestic violence or domestic abuse
 - persons granted Calais leave.

Changes in HESES20 (continued)

- **Tables 6a, 6b and 6c:** changes to simplify collection of information about students on certain pre-registration nursing, midwifery, and allied health courses, along with certain dentistry courses.

Table 6a: Full-time counts of years of instance on pre-registration health courses

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			Column 1			Column 2			Column 3			Column 4
			Years countable between 1 August 2020 and census date inclusive			Forecast of years countable after census date and before 1 August 2021			Forecast of years not completed (negative values)			Estimate 2020-21 (Columns 1-3)
Profession (price group)	Length	Level	(a) OfS-fundable	(b) Non-fundable	Starters in 2020-21 included in (a) and (b)	(a) OfS-fundable	(b) Non-fundable	Starters in 2020-21 included in (a) and (b)	(a) OfS-fundable	(b) Non-fundable	Starters in 2020-21 included in (a) and (b)	Count
Dental hygiene (A)	Standard	UG	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
		PGT (UG fee)										
	Long	UG	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
		PGT (UG fee)										
Dental therapy (A)	Standard	UG	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
		PGT (UG fee)										
	Long	UG	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
		PGT (UG fee)										
Dietetics (B)	Standard	UG	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
		PGT (UG fee)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0

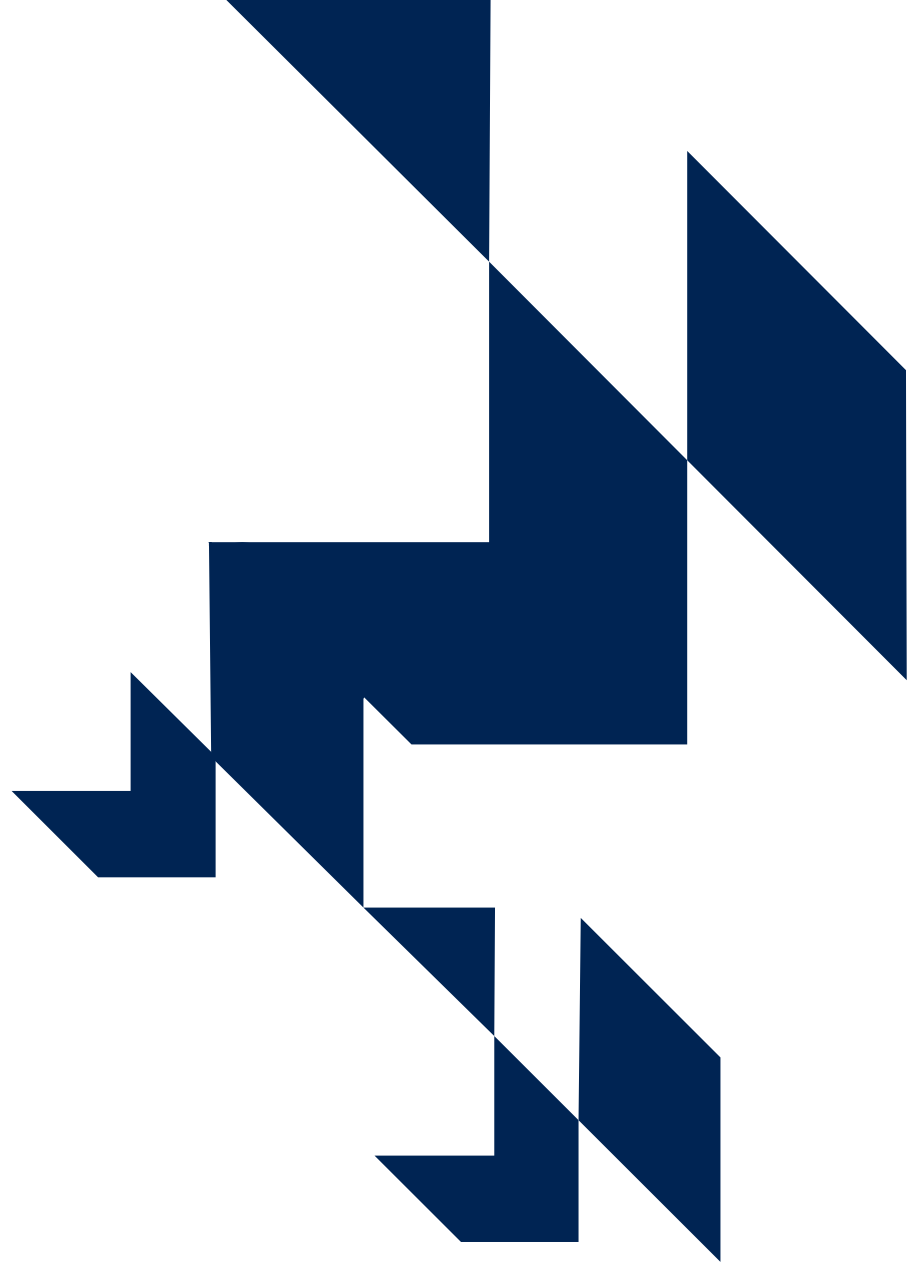
Changes in HESES20 (continued)

- **Table 7:** changes to collecting information about teaching location – **only** completed by providers that are not receiving OfS funding for 2019-20.

Table 7: Teaching locations for students

Row number	Location type	UKPRN	Name of location	Campus postcode	Section 1						
					Estimated completed years for academic year 2020-21						
					Price group					Total	
A	B	C1	C2	D							
					Total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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Next webinar

1330 on Wednesday 30 September 2020

Categorising your students and important definitions

This webinar will cover:

- who should be included in the HESES survey
- how to categorise students by mode, level of study, and subject
- how to categorise your students by residential and funding status
- how to determine which of your students are ‘new entrants.’

How to find out more

Website: www.officeforstudents.org.uk/heses

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YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/officeforstudents>

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