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Dear accountable officer

Funding to support Ukrainian students

This letter announces the distribution of £4 million for the 2022-23 financial year to support Ukrainian students studying at English higher education providers. It follows my previous [letter of 28 April 2022](#), which announced a partial and provisional distribution of £2 million, which some providers received in early May 2022.

Allocations, and terms and conditions of funding

Annex A to this letter is an Excel file setting out the allocation across providers of the £4 million, which we have made on a pro rata basis according to the 1,302 Ukrainian students registered in the 2021-22 academic year. We will pay allocations to providers this month, with payments adjusted to reflect any share of the provisional £2 million allocation that they have already received.

My letter of 28 April set out the terms and conditions and monitoring arrangements that apply to this funding. These have not changed.

Further guidance on support for Ukrainian students

Further information and guidance for providers on higher education issues related to the crisis in Ukraine is available [on the OfS website](#).

In a [letter to higher education providers](#) of 27 April 2022, the Minister of State for Higher and Further Education explained that the government was extending access to higher education student support, home fee status, tuition fee caps, advanced learner loans and further education 19+ funding for those who are granted leave under one of the [three schemes](#) for Ukrainians introduced recently by the Home Office. The [Education \(Student Fees, Awards and Support\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2022](#) have now come into force to effect these changes,

enabling eligible Ukrainian students to access student finance from the Student Loans Company (SLC) from 1 August 2022.

The hardship funding for Ukrainian students announced in this letter is for the 2022-23 financial year. However, given the extension of UK student finance to Ukrainian students from the 2022-23 academic year, our view is that providers should distribute the hardship funding quickly to prioritise support for Ukrainian students before statutory student finance becomes available to them.

Implications for OfS recurrent grants to providers

The extension of home fee status to eligible Ukrainian students means that these students will become OfS-fundable from the 2022-23 academic year (subject to meeting all other criteria for OfS funding eligibility). We will reflect this in our recurrent funding allocations to providers for the year, based on individualised student data for the 2020-21 academic year. This is analogous to the adjustments we made for 2021-22 for students from the Crown dependencies, which were informed by individualised data for the 2019-20 academic year.

Further information

If you have any questions, please email recurrentgrant@officeforstudents.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

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