

Application for Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA) 2023/24

You can apply online www.studentfinanceni.co.uk

Your forename(s)

Your surname

If you have applied for student finance before, please provide your Customer Reference Number

Instructions

- You can order forms and guides in Braille, large print and audio by emailing with your name, address and Customer Reference Number along with what form and format you require to: brailleandlargefonts@slc.co.uk
 or you can telephone us on 0141 243 3686.
- This form should be used by full-time undergraduate students, part-time undergraduate students, distance learning students and postgraduate students (both full-time and part-time) who are applying for DSA only. If you're also applying for student finance you need to complete a DSA Slim Form.
- Answer all questions as fully as possible. If you do not, this may cause a delay to your application.
- Please refer to the DSA1 notes each time you see this icon. In
- Whenever you see this evidence icon you must provide evidence to support your application. Further information about the evidence required can be found in the DSA1 notes and will also be marked with this icon.
- If you have any questions or problems, please call our Customer Support Office on 0300 100 0077.

Instructions

To find out how we'll use the information you provide go to **www.studentfinanceni.co.uk/privacy-notice** to read our Privacy Notice before completing this form.

You may be eligible for a bursary or scholarship. In order for a university or college to determine and pay any bursary or scholarship to which you may be entitled, we will share some of your personal, financial and course details as well as information about your eligibility for student finance with them. For more information about this, read our Privacy Notice.

Please contact the university or college if you require further information about their bursaries and scholarships.

Section 1 - personal details	
Personal details	
Title Mr Mrs Miss	Ms
Forename(s)	
Surname	
Sex Male Female	
Date of birth	
Please complete these questions with the de certificate or passport.	atails exactly as stated on your birth
Place of birth (the name of the town or villag	e)
Nationality n	

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		Section '	1 - personal deta	ails con	itinued	
b1		entity evidence you hold a vali	e details id UK or ROI passpor	t? <u>n</u>	Yes No if 'N	lo' go to b4
b2		nat type of valid ld? n <mark>e</mark>	passport do you	U	 Provide your UK passport details 	go to b3
				R	DI – send us your original ROI	go to o
					passport oth:	go to c
					 provide your UK passport details; or 	go to b3
					 send us your original ROI passport 	go to c
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	Section 1 - personal details continued		
b4	Send your original non-UK passport or Biometric Residence Per or Send your original UK or ROI birth or adoption certificate and a Adoption Certificate form. n e		Birth/
С	Previous loansHave you ever had any other loans from the Student Loans Company Ltd (SLC)? InYesIf 'Yes', are you behind with the repayments?Yes	if 'No' (go to d
d	Contact details All correspondence we issue will be sent to your contact address update your address at any time by logging into your online accord calling us.n Contact address		
e1 e2	Postcode Contact phone number Mobile phone number Email address Armed Forces Are you a member of the Armed Forces serving outside Northern Ireland? n e Are you a family member of someone in the Armed Forces serving outside Northern Ireland? n e (for example: spouse or child)	Yes Yes	No

Section 2 - other financial support

Bursaries and awards

If you are an undergraduate student in this academic year will you be el	igible
to apply for:	

 an NHS bursary (excluding the social work bursary p NHS Business Services Authority); or 	aid by the
• a bursary from Student Awards Agency Scotland (SA	AS); or Yes No
• a healthcare bursary from the Department of Health	DoH)? Yes No
If you are a postgraduate student in this academic ye will you be eligible to apply for:	ar
 an NHS, SAAS or other healthcare bursary; or 	Yes No
 a Research Council bursary; or 	Yes No
 an NHS Business Services Authority bursary for study studying an approved postgraduate social work course 	
 a bursary from your college or university that includes support because of your disability, long-term health or mental health condition or specific learning difficulty (count any payment you get from your university's or college's hardship funds); or 	ondition,
 funding from the Department for the Economy or from your university? 	Yes No
If you receive one of these bursaries or awards ar disability, please forward a copy of your funding not	
If you receive one of these bursaries or awards wh for disability you will not be eligible for Disabled St through Student Finance NI. Do not continue wit	udents' Allowance
Do you currently receive any financial help towards trave e.g. mobility component of Disability Living Allowance of Independence Payment	
If 'Yes' please provide full details including amounts	
Type of financial help	Amount (£)

Section 3 - residence

a1	Are you a UK national? <mark>n e</mark>	No Yes		if 'No' go to a2 if 'Yes' go to b1
a2	Are you an Irish citizen? 🔟 🕒	No		if 'No' go to a3
		Yes -	 have you been UK and Islands years prior to th the first academ course? 	for the three e first day of
			Νο	if 'No' go to a3
			Yes	if 'Yes' go to b2
a3	 Are you the family member of a UK national, and both you and your UK national family member were living: in the UK on 31 December 2020, after moving to the UK from the EEA or Switzerland on or after 1 January 2018; or in the EEA or Switzerland on 31 December 2020? n e 		 have both you a family member k in the UK, Gibra Switzerland for t prior to the first of academic year of No No Yes 	been resident Itar, EEA or hree years day of the first

	Section 3 - residence co	ntinued	
a4 Have you been granted settled status or pre-settled status under the EU Settlement Scheme? n e		if 'No' go to a5 • settled status Please provide your share code now go to b2 • pre-settled status Are you an EU national who has been resident in the	
			UK and Islands for three years prior to the first day of the first academic year of your course? No if 'No' go to a5 Yes Expiry date of pre-settled status Day Month Year
			Please provide your share code

	Section 3 - residence continued				
a5	Are you the c	child of a Swiss national?	No	if 'No' go to a6	
				were you resident in the UK, Gibraltar, EEA or Switzerland for three years prior to the first day of the first academic year of your course?	
				Yes – provide your: Expiry date for pre-settled status Day Month Year Share code If your parent or step-parent has settled or pre-settled status under the EU Settlement Scheme, provide their: Date of birth Day Month Year Expiry date if they have pre-settled status Day Month Year	
				Share code	
				now go to b2	

Section 3 - residence continued

6 Are you or your:	No	if 'No' go to a7
 husband, wife, civil partner; parent(s), step-parent; or child, step-child other direct ascending or descending line family member an EEA or Swiss national who is working, or has worked or is looking for work in the UK? n e 	for work Yes – my fami working UK. My husb parer child other or de mem	been working or looking k in the UK. Ily member has been or looking for work in the family member is my: and/wife/civil partner nt(s)/step-parent /step-child r direct ascending escending line family ber - only applicable to worker family members.

a6	continued Have you been resident in the UK, Gibraltar, the EEA and Switzerland for the three years prior to the first day of the first academic year of your course? n	No Yes – provide details of your/your family member's employment. You should also provide details of your previous study.
	If you/your family member are currently working, will you/your family member continue to work during your studies?	No Yes – provide details:
		Provide your: Expiry date of pre-settled status Day Month Year Share code now go to b2
		Provide your family member's : Date of birth Day Month Year Expiry date if pre-settled status Day Month Year Share code
		now go to b2

	Section 3 - residence continued				
a7		e you the child of a Turkish worker o is working in the UK? în fe	No Yes -	 has your Turkish step-parent been extended leave to UK after 31 Dece the Home Office? No Yes – were you Turkish you you turkish you turkish you you turkish you you you you you you you you you you	granted o remain in the ember 2020 by if 'No' go to a8 u and your
				step-par	worker parent/ ent living in the 1 December if 'No' go to a8 if 'Yes' go to b2
a8	bee Rel (AF	ve you or your family member en granted leave under the Afghan ocations and Assistance Policy AP) or the Afghan Citizens settlement Scheme (ACRS)? n e	Ih the Ih wi	- please confirm: have been granted e ARAP or ACRS. have been granted th my family memb ember is my: husband/wife/civil parent or step-par Provide your: Home Office refer Date latest status Date latest status Date this status is Day Month Year Date this status is Day Month Year Have you lived ou and Islands since status was grante No Yes	leave in line ber. My family partner rent ence number granted due to expire

Section 3 - residence continued Do you have 'settled status' in the **a**9 No if 'No' go to a10 UK? ne Yes – provide your: If you have been granted Home Office reference number 'Indefinite Leave to Remain' in the UK as a victim of domestic violence Date latest status granted or abuse, answer "No" to this Day Month question and go to a16. Date this status is due to expire • If you have been granted Day Month Year 'Indefinite Leave to Remain' in the now go to b2 UK as a bereaved partner, answer "no" to this question and go to a19. Have you been granted limited leave a10 if 'No' go to a11 No to enter or remain under a Ukraine **Yes** – provide your: Scheme? In fe Share code (if you have one) By Ukraine Scheme we mean: the Ukraine Family Scheme; If you don't have your share the Homes for Ukraine Sponsorship code, provide your: Scheme: or Home Office reference number the Ukraine Extension Scheme Date latest status granted Day Month Date this status is due to expire Day now go to b3

a11 Have you or your: No if 'No' go to a12 • husband, wife, civil partner; or Yes - provide your: • parent(s), step-parent Share code (if you have one) been granted refugee status by the UK government? ne If you don't have your share code, provide your: Home Office reference number Date latest status granted Day Month Year Date this status is due to expire Month Year Day Have you lived outside the UK and Islands since your latest status was granted? No go to section 4 Yes if 'Yes' go to b3

a12	 Have you or your: husband, wife, civil partner; or parent(s), step-parent been granted Discretionary 'Leave to Remain' in the UK as a result of a failed asylum application? n e 	No Yes – provide your: Home Office reference Date latest status gran Date latest status gran Date this status is due Date this status is due Day Month Year Have you lived outside Islands since your late granted?	to expire to euclide the UK and
		No	go to section 4
		Yes	if 'Yes' go to b3
a13	Have you or your: • husband, wife, civil partner; or • parent(s), step-parent been granted Discretionary 'Leave to Remain' in the UK and no application	No Yes – provide your: Home Office reference]
	for asylum has been made? ne	Date latest status gran]
		Have you lived outside Islands since your late granted?	
		Νο	go to section 4
		Yes	if 'Yes' go to b3

	Section 3 - residence	continued	
a14	Have you or your: • husband, wife, civil partner; or • parent(s), step-parent been granted Humanitarian Protection? n e	No Yes – provide your Home Office refere Date latest status of Date latest status of Date this status is Day Month Year Have you lived out Islands since your granted?	ence number granted due to expire side the UK and
		No Yes	go to section 4 if 'Yes' go to b3
a15	Have you or your: • husband, wife, civil partner; or • parent(s), step-parent been granted 'Leave to Remain' as a Stateless Person? n e	 No Yes – provide your Home Office reference Date latest status of Day Month Year Date this status is Day Month Year No Yes 	granted due to expire

	Section 3 - residence co	ontinued
a16	Have you been granted 'Indefinite Leave to Remain' in the UK as the victim of domestic violence or abuse? n e	 No Yes – provide your: Home Office reference number Date latest status granted Date latest status granted Month Yea Yes go to section 4 if 'Yes' go to b3
a17	Have you been granted 'Leave to Remain' in the UK under section 67 of the Immigration Act 2016, or have you been granted leave in line as the dependent child of someone who has? n e	No if 'No' go to a18 Yes - provide your: Home Office reference number Date latest status granted Date month Date this status is due to expire Date wonth Yes Have you lived outside the UK and Islands since your latest status was granted? No go to section 4 if 'Yes' go to b3

		Section 3 - residence cont	tinued	
a18	in Iea	ave you been granted 'Calais leave' the UK, or have you been granted ave in line as the dependent child of meone who has? n e	No Yes – provide your: Home Office reference Date latest status gran Day Month Year Date this status is due Day Month Year Have you lived outside Islands since your lates	ted to expire the UK and
			granted? No Yes	go to section 4 if 'Yes' go to b3
a19	Le	ave you been granted 'Indefinite eave to Remain' as a person who is been a bereaved partner? n e	No Yes – provide your: Home Office reference Date latest status gran	ted
			Have you lived outside Islands since your lates granted?	st status was
			_ No ☐ Yes	go to section 4 if 'Yes' go to b3
a20	ye 18	n the first day of the first academic ar of your course will you be under and will you have been living in the K for seven years? ne	No Yes	if 'No' go to a21 if 'Yes' go to b1
a21	ye 18 foi	n the first day of the first academic ar of your course will you be over and will you have lived in the UK r at least 20 years, or at least half your life? n e	No Yes	if 'No' see below if 'Yes' go to b1
		If you answered 'No' to all the que eligible for student finance from S		

	Section 3 - residence cor	ntinued
th die	the three years prior to the start of e first academic year of your course, d you live outside the UK and lands at any time?	Noif 'No' go to b4Yesif 'Yes' go to b2
ac gi ^r Fu	ive details of your residence for the th cademic year of your course. There sh ve us. n ull Address	-
To Day W		To Day Month Year Why were you there?
Fı	ull Address	Full Address
Day TC Day		From Day Month Year To Day Month Year Why were you there?
		now go to b4

Section 3 - residence continued

b3 Provide your address history from the date you got your latest status to the first day of the first academic year of your course, or for the 3 years before the first day of the first academic year of your course, whichever is less. In

Full Address	Full Address
From Day Month Year To Day Month Year Why were you there?	From Day Month Year To Day Month Year Year Why were you there?
Full Address	Full Address
From Day Month Year To	From Day Month Year To
Day Month Year	Day Month Year
Why were you there?	Why were you there?
	now go to b4

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No Yes if 'No' go to section 4 if 'Yes' give details belo
Full Address
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Full Address
From Day Month Year To Day Month Year Wonth Year Why were you there?

Section 4 - about your course and your university or college

University or college d			
University or college nar	ne and address		
		Postcode	
Course details			
Course name			
f you are following a cor subjects being studied.	mbined studies or m	odular course, please list a	all
Qualification you expect to gain (for example BS Physics) Course start date			
Course end date	Month Year		
Course length (years) n			
Year of course	Foundation	Third year	
	First year	Fourth year	
	Second year	Other (give details)	
s this a Distance Learni	ng Course?	Y	es 🗌 N
If the course is franchise other university or colleg		ity/college, give the addre	ss of the

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Section 5 - your university or college

Please ask your university or college to complete this section.

You must tell your university or college about your disability, mental health condition, or specific learning difficulty, please read section 5 notes for further instructions and then go to section 6. n

To be completed by the student's university or college. University or college staff should check the student's answers to section 4 before completing, signing and stamping this section.

SLC or UCAS university or college code

Full-time undergraduate students

tick if applicable

I confirm to the best of my knowledge and belief that:

- the student named in section 1 is studying or applying for the course named in section 4; and
- the student named in section 1 plans to complete the course on a full-time basis in attendance.

Part-time undergraduate students ______ tick if applicable

I confirm to the best of my knowledge and belief that:

- the student named in section 1 is studying or applying for the course named in section 4;
- the student plans to complete the course at an average rate of study of at least 25% of that needed to complete the course, or an equivalent course, on a full-time basis; and
- the student's rate of study is % of the equivalent f

% of the equivalent full-time course.

Study Rates - Example 1

The student is studying a part-time course over a four-year period, but would study for one year if he or she was on an equivalent full-time course. The rate of study is 25%.

Example 2

The student is studying a part-time course over a five-year period, but would study for three years if he or she was on an equivalent full-time course. The rate of study is 60%.

Section 5 - your university or college continued

Full-time undergraduate distance learning students Lick if applicable I confirm to the best of my knowledge and belief that:

- the student named in section 1 is studying or applying for the course named in section 4; and
- the student named in section 1 plans to complete the course on a full-time basis by distance learning methods.

Part-time postgraduate students _____ tick if applicable

I confirm to the best of my knowledge and belief that it is possible for the student named in section 1, to complete the course in no more than three times the length of time required to complete the equivalent full-time course.

All postgraduate students ______ tick if applicable

I confirm to the best of my knowledge and belief that:

- the student named in section 1 is studying or applying for the course named in section 4;
- this course has a usual entry qualification of a first degree or higher; and
- the student will not receive an award from their institution (not including any payment from the institution's hardship funds) to meet the extra course-related costs they have to pay because of their disability.

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Your full name (in BLOCK CAPITALS	3)
Your signature	
	Position
	Your phone number (including area code)
	Your email address
University or College stamp	Today's date

Section 6 - DSA information and evidence

	health condition or specific learning difficulty section may result in a delay to your application.
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•	nd provide evidence of your disability, long-term health condition or specific learning difficulty. n fe
	and complete the Disability Evidence Form from
www.studentfinanceni.c	CO.UK
On what date was your d or specific learning difficu	lisability, mental health condition Day Month Year
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or specific learning difficu	Ilty last assessed? for Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA)? Yes No if 'Yes' go to section
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Section 6 - DSA information and evidence continued

If you cannot provide evidence of each previous DSA funding application you have made, please provide full details of the funding you received in the box below.

We may contact the relevant funding authorities for further information.

Section 7 - your consent

Consent to DSA arrangements Please tick the boxes below if you consent to the following DSA arrangements. You have the right to withdraw your consent to us processing your personal information in relation to this application form. To withdraw your consent, please contact us in writing.
I agree that Student Finance NI and the disability service at my university or college may exchange information about my application for DSA where this is necessary to make sure I get the help I need.
I agree that Student Finance NI and my DSA Needs Assessor may exchange information about my application for DSA where this is necessary to make sure I get the help I need.
I agree that Student Finance NI and my DSA suppliers may exchange information about my application for DSA where this is necessary to make sure I get the help I need.

Section 8 - your bank or building society account details

UK bank or building society account details

Where possible we will pay suppliers of your equipment or support services directly. However, please complete the section below so that we can pay you if we need to.

The account must be in your own name and be able to accept direct credits.

Sort code

Account number

Building society roll number

(if applicable)

Terms and Conditions n

These terms and conditions ("terms") and applicable legislation apply to all of the student finance available to students for the academic year 2023/24.

I understand that I must read the specific terms about the student finance products available because they will affect me if I apply for them at any time in this academic year.

I understand that my application for student finance may be delayed unless I sign and date these terms.

Loan Contract

- 1. I confirm I have read and understood these terms and A Guide to Terms and Conditions available at **www.studentfinanceni.co.uk/terms-and-conditions**
- 2. I confirm that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information I have provided is true and complete. If it is not, I understand that I may not receive student finance, any support I have had may be withdrawn and I could be prosecuted.
- I understand that student finance is provided to me by the Department for the Economy (the "Lender") which includes any persons acting on its behalf and any replacement(s) under Article 4(3) of the Education (Student Support) (Northern Ireland) Order 1998 as amended or replaced from time to time (the "Order").
- 4. I understand these terms, the Order and the regulations made under Article 3 of the Order will apply to any student finance provided to me by the Lender.
- 5. I understand that "student finance" in these terms means financial support by way of grant(s) and/or loan(s) made by the Lender under the regulations.
- 6. I understand that the Student Loans Company Limited ("SLC") and the Education Authority ("EA") carry out certain functions on behalf of the Lender.

My Obligations

- 7. I understand that if I have:
 - i. reached the age of 18 years; and
 - ii. have entered into agreement(s) for a loan under the Order and any subsequent regulations before I reached the age of 18 years,

I am agreeing to "ratify" any and all such student loans by signing these terms. This means that I confirm I entered into agreement(s) with the Lender and agree to the terms of any such previous agreement(s). If I have reached the age of 18 and refuse to "ratify" any previous agreement(s), I understand that I will not be eligible to get any further student finance under the regulations.

8. I agree to give SLC and EA any information they need in support of this application for student finance and to seek repayment.



- 9. I agree to tell SLC and EA immediately if my circumstances change in any way that might affect my entitlement to student finance. I understand that if I do not do this I may not get any further payments and I may have to repay the student finance I have already received. I agree that from the date I submit my student finance application until my loan(s), together with all and any interest, penalties and charges which apply, is fully repaid I must tell SLC and EA about any changes in my personal details (including my National Insurance number) and contact details I have provided.
- 10. I agree that if I get an overpayment of student finance, I need to repay this in full and that any overpayment may be taken from any future entitlement to student finance.
- 11. I agree that I will repay the Lender any loan(s), together with all and any interest, penalties and charges which apply. I understand that this repayment will be due by me to the Lender as a debt. If I breach any of the terms of my loan, I agree to pay any charges and penalties which apply under the Order and the regulations. I understand that I will repay my loan(s) through the United Kingdom ("UK") tax system and/or I may repay SLC directly. If I live abroad, I will repay my loan(s) to SLC directly.
- 12. I agree that any loan(s) made to me in accordance with the regulations once my application is accepted by the Lender is a/are contract(s) between me and the Lender. I understand that I am liable for my loan(s) and will be charged interest from the first payment of the loan advance by the Lender.
- 13. I agree to tell SLC if I leave the UK to live outside the UK or if for any other reason I am outside the UK tax system for more than three months.

Legal Action and Applicable Law

14. In the event of any legal action, I agree that the laws of Northern Ireland will apply and that the courts of that part of the UK will hear any legal action. If my address is outside the UK the laws of the part of the UK where my education provider is situated will apply and the courts of that part of the UK will hear any legal action. I agree that the Lender has the right to take legal action against me in any other court with jurisdiction.

Sharing Information

- 15. If I am in breach of these terms and/or the regulations I agree that the Lender may share information held about me and my account with third parties, including the government or a government agency of another country, who may help to locate me and/or help take action to recover any payments I owe.
- 16. I confirm where I have provided any personal information about any other person in my student finance application, I have done so with their consent.
- 17. I understand that SLC will process my personal data in line with the Privacy Notice available at **www.studentfinanceni.co.uk/privacy-notice** which may be updated from time to time.

Disabled Students' Allowance ("DSA")

This section applies if I apply for DSA this academic year.

- 18. I understand that any equipment I receive through DSA must be used for my course of study and that I am responsible for paying any repair costs.
- 19. I understand SLC reserves the right to pay the suppliers of any approved equipment and support directly. I will be notified if SLC will make payments directly to suppliers on my behalf.

Childcare Grant ("CCG")

This section applies if I apply for CCG this academic year.

- 20. I understand that if I do not provide the evidence of childcare costs within the timescales set, I may lose my entitlement. If my childcare costs are different from the estimates I have provided, further payments of my CCG may increase or decrease accordingly. If no further CCG payments are due to be paid to me, I may be liable to repay any difference.
- 21. I understand that if I do not take up my childcare, or if I change to a childcare provider who is not registered or approved, I will have to pay back any overpayment.
- 22. I confirm that neither I nor my husband, wife, civil partner or cohabiting partner have chosen to receive support for childcare from:
 - i. the childcare element of Working Tax Credit;
 - ii. the childcare element of Universal Credit;
 - iii. Tax-free Childcare; or
 - iv. a healthcare bursary or Scottish Healthcare Allowance;

and I agree to tell the EA and SLC immediately if I or my husband, wife, civil partner or cohabiting partner does receive this support. I understand that SLC may share my personal data with HMRC to check whether I get childcare support.

Customer Reference Number						
Your full name						
(in BLOCK CAPITALS)						
	X Today's Day Month Year date	1				
Your signature						

Confidential Equal opportunities questionnaire

Please read the Equal Opportunities Monitoring information note on page 30 before completing this questionnaire. Tick all the boxes that apply to you.

Your answers are voluntary and will not affect your application for student finance.

A B C	What is your religious affiliation? What is your gender? Which of the following best	I am a member of the Protestant Community I am a member of the Catholic Community I am a member of neither the Protestant nor Catholic Community Male Female Transgender Other Heterosexual/Straight Bisexual
	describes your sexual orientation?	Gay Lesbian Prefer not to say Prefer to self-describe - give details below
D	What is your marital status?	SingleMarriedSeparatedDivorcedWidowedCohabitingOther – give details below
Е	What is your carer status?	No caring responsibilities Care for own children Care for other relative Other – give details below
F	Do you consider yourself to have/ have had a disability?	No Yes – give details below
G	What is your ethnic origin?	 Chinese Black/African Caribbean Pakistani Asian other Other – give details below
Н	How old are you?	16-24 25-34 35-44 Over 45

Equal Opportunities Monitoring

Under Section 75 of the Northern Ireland Act (1998), the EA shall, in carrying out all their functions, powers and duties, have due regard to the need to promote equality of opportunity

- (a) between persons of different religious belief, political opinion, racial group, age, marital status or sexual orientation;
- (b) between men and women generally;
- (c) between persons with a disability and persons without; and
- (d) between persons with dependants and persons without.

In order to monitor the uptake of services provided by the EA and the impact of policies, applicants are requested to provide information in relation to the above categories.

Access to Section 75 monitoring information will be strictly controlled and will not be available to those considering your application. Monitoring will involve the use of statistical summaries of information in which the identities of individuals will not appear. This information will not be available for any purposes other than for Section 75 monitoring.

Checklist

Before returning this form, please make sure you have done the following:

- Signed and dated the terms and conditions.
 - Enclosed all the evidence items (for example passport, birth/adoption certificate, declaration of identity) as requested in the DSA1 notes. Any original evidence will be returned to you as soon as possible.
- Enclosed supporting evidence of your disability as requested in the DSA1 notes.
- Ensured that your university or college has completed section 5, if applicable.

Open University students

If you are an **Open University student** you will need to post your DSA form to the Open University Belfast office at the address below for them to complete section 5:

Disability Project Officer 110 Victoria Street Belfast BT1 3GN

You should post your ID documents, if required, directly to the SFNI office at the address below. Please ensure to attach a note to indicate that you are applying for DSA and your form has been forwarded to the Open University who will send it to SFNI on your behalf once they have completed the relevant sections.

Please also give details of your home address to enable SFNI to return your original documents.

Student Finance NI DSA Office Ballee Centre Ballee Road West Ballymena BT42 2HS

Non-Open University students

You must return your completed form to your local Student Finance NI (SFNI) office. You can find their address at **www.studentfinanceni.co.uk**



Remember to pay the correct postage or we may not receive your form

Additional notes

If you are providing extra information below please clearly mark what section and question the information is about.