

For more information and advice
contact:

Breckland Residents

Revenues Services
Breckland House
St. Nicholas Street
Thetford
Norfolk
IP24 1BT

Phone: 01362 656872

Other advice routes

Student Advisor at your place of study

Forest Heath Residents

Benefits Section
College Heath Road
Mildenhall
Bury St. Edmunds
Suffolk

Phone: 0800 163030

Please see our website:
www.angliarevenues.go.uk

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**HOUSING BENEFITS
AND STUDENTS**



Revenues Services

Eligible Students

Not all students can claim Housing Benefit

Those who can claim are listed below:

- Part-time students
- Those under 19 (up to 'A' level standard)
- Students over 60 years of age
- Couples or lone parents with children or foster children
- Disabled students
- Those who would be entitled to Incapacity Benefit but are receiving another benefit instead
- Students who have been incapable of work for 28 weeks or more
- Those whose grant includes a Disabled Student Award for deafness
- Any student in receipt of Income Support or Jobseekers Allowance (Income Based)

Notes about students' income

- Housing Benefit is means tested so the calculation is based on student income, i.e. student grant plus student loan.
- Not all the grant is taken into account - for example, a set amount is disregarded for books and equipment and for some travel expenses.
- For Housing Benefit purposes all students who are eligible to receive a loan are treated as having received this full amount even if they do not actually apply for it.
- £10 per week is disregarded from income where a loan is taken into account.

NOTE

Housing Benefit cannot be awarded for rent payable to the Educational Establishment, i.e. halls of residence.

Council Tax

You may be entitled to discount or exemption from paying Council Tax. Please contact the Council Tax department who will advise you.