

Help I'm Skint !

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Don't panic! If you have run out of money, need cash urgently, are facing an unexpected financial crisis or are worried about ongoing hardship you may be able to get some help from either the University or from external sources.

If you need cash you may be able to get a Vice Chancellor's (VC) Loan of up to £100 from the University. In exceptional circumstances loans of more than £100 can also be considered. The Loan can be requested through Sussex Direct and is paid by BACS into your bank account within 3-7 days. The VC Loan is a short-term interest-free loan available only to registered students who do not already owe the University any money. VC Loans do need to be repaid and a repayment date will be agreed when you take out the loan.

If you are likely to run out of money soon, are facing an unexpected financial crisis or ongoing financial hardship, you may be able to get help from either the Access to Learning Fund or the Alumni Hardship & Opportunities Fund, both of which are administered by the University. You may also be able to apply to a range of educational trusts and charities who may be able to offer some financial assistance.

For further information please see the resources listed on the right:

Leaflets/resources available from the Advice & Representation Centre:

- Access to Learning Fund - application form and guidance notes (University of Sussex).
- Alumni Hardship & Opportunities Fund – application form and notes (University of Sussex).
- Money Matters 2011/12- a guide to managing your money (Advice & Representation Centre).

Websites:

- Advice & Representation Centre money advice pages at www.sussexstudent.com/advice.
- Type “access to learning fund” in the search box in the search box on the university's website www.sussex.ac.uk

Talk to someone:

- Advice & Representation Centre www.sussexstudent.com/advice or ring 01273 877038.

