

Student Banking



HOME STUDENTS

For many students managing their money well during their time at university proves to be very difficult. The first step in ensuring that you can do this is to make sure that you have the right type of bank account from the start of your course.

The choice of different accounts, with some offering overdraft facilities and credit cards, is very tempting, but it is important that you chose the right account for you.

Previously the Student Advice Centre produced a leaflet on the different types of accounts on offer; however we have decided not to do this again because of the vast range of information available. Instead we refer you to an excellent website which gives you an in depth facts and figures on the different accounts available. Its part of the National Association of Managers of Student Services website at:

http://www.support4learning.org.uk/money/banks_student.htm

Also included on this website are details surrounding other areas of student finance and we recommend that you take some time to look at it. It provides up to date details of overdrafts available and other sources of finance for students.

NB the Student Advice Centre can not accept any responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained on the above website, but if you encounter any difficulties please contact us immediately.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

To open a UK Bank Account you will need to prove a course of 6 months or more. A document is needed to prove this. If you are on a pre-sessional English Course which is shorter than 6 months, a document **MUST** show the English Course and also that it is to be followed by a further course therefore making up the 6 months or more. This would satisfy the requirement to a UK Bank; you will also need your Passport.

The British Bankers Association website www.bba.org.uk has a very useful table of the main UK Banks and what they offer International Students.

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