

**Quarantine financial support for students travelling from countries
which are not defined as “red list” countries
2021 intake – Terms and Conditions
(for students arriving in the UK on or after 04:00 on Monday 4 October 2021)**

Introduction

If you are from or have travelled to the UK via a country which is not on the UK government “red” list and either

- You are not fully vaccinated; or
- You have been vaccinated against Covid-19 but do not qualify under the UK government rules as fully vaccinated (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/countries-with-approved-covid-19-vaccination-programmes-and-proof-of-vaccination>)

You must:

- a) take a coronavirus (Covid-19) test and get a negative result during the 3 days before you travel
- b) book and pay for a travel test package, which will include Covid-19 tests to be taken on or before day 2 and on or after day 8 of your quarantine. These tests must be booked before you leave your home country.
- c) complete a passenger locator form with details of where you will home quarantine when you arrive and the travel test package booking reference number
- d) quarantine for 10 days after you arrive in the UK, during which you will take the Covid-19 tests included in your travel test package, unless you take an early release test on day 5 – see <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-test-to-release-for-international-travel>

The University recognises the additional demands placed on our international students who are subject to these requirements and has put in place a Quarantine Support Package (“the Support Package”) under which, provided you meet the criteria and satisfy these terms and conditions, the University will:

For students in University Managed Accommodation;

- a) Provide a quarantine self-isolation allowance of £36
- b) Provide a contribution of £50 towards the cost of a PCR test.

For students in Private Rented Accommodation;

- a) Provide a quarantine self-isolation allowance of £60 if you are quarantining off campus (in privately rented accommodation) at the student address you’d normally occupy during term time.
- b) Provide a contribution of £50 towards the cost of a PCR test.

Quarantine Self-isolation Allowance

- 1) If you are from or have travelled to the UK via a country which is not on the UK government “red” list and either
 - a) Are not fully vaccinated; or
 - b) You have been vaccinated against Covid-19 but do not qualify under the UK government rules as fully vaccinated (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/countries-with-approved-covid-19-vaccination-programmes-and-proof-of-vaccination>)

And are required under UK government rules to quarantine for 10 days away from your usual support networks, at the student address you’d normally occupy during term time, you will be eligible for an allowance to help with food and other essentials.

The one-off allowance for a 10-day isolation period is:

- £36 if you're living in university managed accommodation
 - £60 if you're isolating off campus (privately rented accommodation) at the student address you'd normally occupy during term time.
- 2) If you begin to show any symptoms of Covid-19 during your travel quarantine, you must let us know by completing the [University Covid-19 isolation reporting form](#). Our Residential Life Team can then contact you directly to provide information and support

How do I receive my allowance?

- 3) You must complete the [University Covid-19 isolation reporting form](#) to confirm you are quarantining for travel purposes. We will arrange for payment to be made into your bank account. You will need to register up-to-date bank account details and term-time addresses in Sussex Direct.
- 4) If you do not have a UK bank account, send details of your bank account to FinanceServiceDesk@sussex.ac.uk. If we do not have your bank account details, we will credit your student account.
- 5) You may receive your payment as one transaction or instalments and you may need to use existing funds in the meantime.

PCR Test support

- 6) If you are from or have travelled to the UK via a country which is not on the UK government "red" list and either
- a) Are not fully vaccinated; or
 - b) You have been vaccinated against Covid-19 but do not qualify under the UK government rules as fully vaccinated (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/countries-with-approved-covid-19-vaccination-programmes-and-proof-of-vaccination>)

In addition to self-isolating for 10 days on arrival you will need to meet the UK government requirements to take Covid-19 tests on or before day 2 and on or after day 8 of your quarantine

- 7) The University will provide up to £50 towards the cost of a PCR Test needed for students required to quarantine from 4 October 2021 up until the end of the last day of the first term (10 December 2021).

How do I claim my £50 towards the cost of a PCR Test?

- 8) Students who wish to claim the £50 contribution towards a PCR Test must report that they are quarantining due to travel using the [University Covid-19 isolation reporting form](#). Please note that the isolation reporting form should only be completed once you have moved into your accommodation, either on-campus or in your private accommodation. Please don't complete the form prior to travel/arrival as the system may not recognise your address. This will be the same process which will allocate your Quarantine Self-isolation Allowance if eligible for this.
- 9) PCR contribution payments will only be made to applicable students who have completed the University's Covid-19 Isolation reporting form.

Additional details

- 10) If UK government guidance and requirements change, the University reserves the right to review this Support Package.
- 11) You can find the full guidance on the international travel rules on the UK Government's website: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/travel-to-england-from-another-country-during-coronavirus-covid-19>. It is important that you understand these rules as the UK government can issue penalties of up to £10,000 for breaking quarantine.
- 12) Please note that the UK government regularly updates its guidance on which countries are on the "red" list. The University has additional support for students coming from red list countries and further information can be found here: <https://www.sussex.ac.uk/study/coronavirus-advice-for-applicants/quarantine-support-package>

General

- 13) The University will endeavour to process and provide refunds / credits as part of the Amber List Support Package by the dates given in this policy, but this is not guaranteed, and some delays may occur.
- 14) The University reserves the right to amend the policy and procedures as may be reasonably required in order to implement the Support Package.

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