



**UNIVERSITY  
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BIRMINGHAM**

# **Year 1 BA/FdA BSc/FdSc**

## **How do I access my Kick-Start funds?**

The Kick-Start Scheme provides all new UK students, studying a full-time undergraduate course with £300 funds at the start of the year. UK students with a household income of below £25,000 will be entitled to a further £500 at the start of second semester (i.e. September if you are February starter).

These funds can be used at [www.ucb-kickstart.co.uk](http://www.ucb-kickstart.co.uk) to order resources such as books, laptops, uniform, course equipment and anything else that you may need. You can also use some of these funds on selected on-campus purchases such as food & drink, gym membership and UCB hoodies.

Further details about the Kick-Start Scheme can be found here:  
[www.ucb.ac.uk/kickstart](http://www.ucb.ac.uk/kickstart)

You can view the resources for your course here:  
[www.ucb-kickstart.co.uk/resources](http://www.ucb-kickstart.co.uk/resources)

**The great news is, these funds do not need to be paid back!**

Once you are fully enrolled, you will receive an email to your UCB email account to let you know that your Kick-Start funds have been awarded. You will become fully enrolled only after Monday 19th January 2026.

You can access your UCB email by going to [portal.ucb.ac.uk](http://portal.ucb.ac.uk). Your username is your student ID followed by [@student.ucb.ac.uk](mailto:@student.ucb.ac.uk). For example ABC12345678[@student.ucb.ac.uk](mailto:@student.ucb.ac.uk). Your password is the same as the one you set when you did online enrolment.

To see the core and recommended resources for your course please go to: [www.ucb-kickstart.co.uk/resources](http://www.ucb-kickstart.co.uk/resources)

To get answers to frequently asked questions about Kick-Start please go to: [www.ucb-kickstart.co.uk/faq](http://www.ucb-kickstart.co.uk/faq)

For questions about your eligibility for Kick-Start please email:  
[kickstart@ucb.ac.uk](mailto:kickstart@ucb.ac.uk)