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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 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

You can view the resources for your course here: 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. Your username is your student ID followed by @student.ucb.ac.uk. For example ABC12345678@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

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

For questions about your eligibility for Kick-Start please email: kickstart@ucb.ac.uk