

# STUDY ALLOWANCE

CSN LEAFLET FOR THE 2011/12 SCHOOL YEAR

*This leaflet contains information about study allowance for you who intend to study in Sweden. Further information can be found on our web site, [www.csn.se](http://www.csn.se). If you are going to be studying abroad, further reading can be found in the leaflet "Study allowance for studies outside Sweden".*

## WHAT IS STUDY ALLOWANCE?

Study allowance is made up of several different contributions:

- a student grant
- a supplementary allowance
- a boarding supplement.

If you study full-time, you are eligible for study allowance during upper secondary school studies up to and including the spring term in the year that you reach the age of 20.

### Student grant

The student grant amounts to 1,050 kronor per month. When you are going to study at the upper secondary level, you do not need to apply for your student grant. It is automatically paid to you starting from the quarter following your 16th birthday.

- If you reach 16 years of age between
- January and June 2011, you will receive your student grant from the beginning of the autumn term. The first payment will be made in September 2011.
  - July and September 2011, you will receive your student grant in October 2011.
  - October and December 2011, you will receive your student grant in January 2012.
  - January and March 2012, you will receive your student grant in April 2012.

### Supplementary allowance

Supplementary allowance is a contribution that is evaluated based on your own and

your parents' economy. Your joint incomes and a fifth of your capital assets over the value of 75,000 kronor are added together. There is no lower age limit for a supplementary allowance.

In the chart below, you can see how much you are entitled to.

Income before tax	Supplementary allowance per month
Less than 85,000 kronor	855 kronor
85,000–104,999 kronor	570 kronor
105,000–124,999 kronor	285 kronor

### Application

Your application for supplementary allowance during the 2011/12 school year should be received by CSN on 30 June 2012 at the latest. You can collect an application form at school or order one at [www.csn.se](http://www.csn.se).

### Boarding supplement

A boarding supplement is a contribution you can receive if you have to stay somewhere other than your home town for your studies.

The total travel time between your parents' home and the school or the trainee job must be at least two hours per day, if you were not boarded.

You can receive boarding supplement if you are studying at one of the following types of school:

- folk high school
- independent upper secondary school
- national boarding school (Grennaskolan, Lundsbergs skola or Sigtunaskolan Humanistiska Läroverket).

Normally, if you will be studying at an independent upper secondary school or national boarding school, you can only receive a boarding supplement if the course

and national curricular programme that you plan to study is not available in your home town.

The amount that you receive as boarding supplement each month depends on the one-way travelling distance between your parents' home and the school or the trainee job. The sum varies between 1,190 and 2,350 kronor per month.

### Application

Your application for boarding supplement during the 2011/12 school year should be received by CSN by 30 June 2012 at the latest. You can collect an application form at school or order one at [www.csn.se](http://www.csn.se).

### If your parents live abroad

If your parents live abroad and at least one of your parents is a Swedish citizen, you can receive a boarding supplement even if you are studying within the public educational system (e.g. a municipal upper secondary school). By 'the public educational system' we mean schools that are owned by a county council or municipality. In that case, you can start receiving a boarding supplement from grade 7.

### PAYMENT

If you are in school for the entire school year, you will normally receive your student grant along with any supplementary allowance on the following months:

- September
- October
- November
- December
- January
- February
- March
- April
- May
- June.

If you receive boarding supplement, it will be paid out for four months of the autumn term (September–December) and five months of the spring term (January–May) during a normal school year.

Study allowance is paid out on the last weekday in the month.

CSN pays out study allowance in cooperation with Swedbank. The funds are placed in an account that the beneficiary (you or your legal guardian) chooses. It can be an account with Swedbank or another bank.

### **Who gets the money?**

As long as you are a minor, the money will be paid to your legal guardian who most recently received child allowance. Starting from your 18th birthday, the study allowance will be paid to you yourself.

### **FOR YOU WHO ARE FOREIGN CITIZEN**

Special rules apply for those who are not Swedish citizens. CSN must first ascertain whether or not you have basic entitlement to Swedish student aid. You must therefore fill in a form called "Ansökan om grundläggande rätt till svenskt studiestöd – studie-hjälp" (form no. 4144) and send it to CSN. You can order the form at [www.csn.se](http://www.csn.se).

### **EU/EEA citizens**

According to EU law, children of EU/EEA citizens, whose parents are living outside Sweden, can receive study allowance if they meet certain requirements.

### **STUDYING ABROAD**

If you plan to study outside Sweden, you also need to apply for your student grant.

You can order the necessary forms and read more about the special rules that apply for study allowance outside Sweden on [www.csn.se](http://www.csn.se). The last day for applying during the 2011/12 school year is 30 June 2012.

### **GRANTS FROM YOUR HOME MUNICIPALITY**

If you will be studying at a municipal upper secondary school or Komvux (municipal adult education), your home municipality will check your rights regarding grants for board and daily travel. Any questions to do with this kind of support should be directed to your home municipality.



### **Do you want more information?**

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