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I, PATRICK O'DONOVAN, Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 16 of the Student Support Act 2011 (No. 4 of 2011) (as adapted by the Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order 2020 (S.I. No. 451 of 2020), and the Public Expenditure and Reform (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2023 (S.I. No. 19 of 2023)), with the consent of the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform, hereby make the following scheme of grants:-

1. This Scheme may be cited as the Student Grant (Amendment) Scheme 2024.

2. In this Scheme "Principal Scheme" means the Student Grant Scheme 2024 (S.I. No. 103 of 2024).

3. Article 14(3) of the Principal Scheme is amended by substituting the following subparagraph for subparagraph (k):

- "(k) Adoption Maintenance Allowance;
(l) DABS/P-TECH NEIC bursary."

4. Article 22(4) of the Principal Scheme is amended by inserting after "Cost of Education Allowance," the following text:

"DABS/P-TECH NEIC bursary,"

5. Schedule 4 of the Principal Scheme is amended by substituting for Table 2, Table 3 and Table 4 the following:

"Table 2

| Student Contribution Element | Rate |
|---|-------------|
| Full (100%) grant in respect of the student contribution charge | €2,000 |
| Part (50%) grant in respect of the student contribution charge | €1,000 |
| Part €500 grant in respect of the student contribution charge | €500 |

Table 3

| Field Trip Element [Calculation of value available towards compulsory costs] | | |
|--|--|--------|
| A student or tuition student who would have qualified for 100% tuition fee element of a fee grant but for the Free Fees Schemes and was awarded a grant towards the student contribution charge. | Maximum Fee Limit: | €6,270 |
| | <i>Less</i> the tuition fee claimed from the State by the institution under the Free Fees Schemes: | €x,xxx |
| | <i>Less</i> Student Contribution | €2,000 |
| | <i>Equals</i> maximum amount if any available towards field trip element | €y,yyy |
| Student or tuition student who qualifies for 100% undergraduate tuition fees or postgraduate tuition fees under the scheme of grants. | Max Fee Limit Amount: | €6,270 |
| | <i>Less</i> EU rate of fee applicable to the course/invoiced to the student: | €x,xxx |
| | <i>Equals</i> the maximum amount if any available towards field trip element | €y,yyy |

Table 4

| Postgraduate Grants | | |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|
| In respect of the following courses | Maximum fee limit for grant in respect of tuition fees | Postgraduate Fee Contribution |
| Approved postgraduate courses provided in the State or Northern Ireland. | €6,270 | €5,000 |

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6. This Scheme shall be deemed to have come into operation on 22 March 2024.

The Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform consents to the making of the foregoing Scheme.



GIVEN under my Official Seal,
30 October, 2024.

PASCHAL DONOHOE,
Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development
Plan Delivery and Reform.



GIVEN under my Official Seal,
31 October, 2024.

PATRICK O'DONOVAN,
Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research,
Innovation and Science.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation.)

The purpose of this Scheme is to amend the Student Grant Scheme 2024 to provide for changes to the rate of the Student Contribution Element and the Postgraduate Fee Contribution and the inclusion of DABS/P-TECH NEIC bursary as (1) an income disregard to the scheme and (2) to the list of bursaries from public funds that a student can hold while also receiving grant funding.

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