

Leeds Beckett University – US Loans Checklist 2018-19

What?	When?	Status ✓/✗
<p>PRIOR TO YOUR ARRIVAL/FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF YOUR LEEDS BECKETT OFFER/ACCEPTANCE LETTER</p>		
<p>1. Register with the Leeds Beckett On-line Welcome & Registration pages to accept your place.</p>	<p>Following receipt of your acceptance letter</p>	
<p>2. Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) via www.fafsa.ed.gov. *These are to be completed for each individual year of study*</p>		
<p>3. Register with US Loans Department by sending an introductory email to USLoans@leedsbeckett.ac.uk. Receive, complete and return a data capture sheet which asks for details such as your social security number, chosen course, we will keep this data on file to aid your journey through the loan application process.</p>	<p>After confirming your place at Leeds Beckett</p>	
<p>4. Receive Cost of Attendance (CoA) letter from US Loans office. Feel free to email any queries regarding the different loan options.</p>	<p>Once the interview for your loans has been approved.</p>	
<p>5. Register with the Virtual Financial Aid Office (VFAO) at https://leedsbeckett.vfao.com/default.aspx and complete on-line entrance counselling interview. You will be asked to complete details regarding your chosen funding and any additional loan applications. **Be sure to enter your details with accuracy, especially your Social Security Number and term dates – incorrect data entry will result in application rejection. A master promissory note must have been signed in relation to the present loan application **</p>		
<p>6. Receive a breakdown of your student loan award package options. If you need any clarification or support in relation to the loans you wish to apply for, please do not hesitate to contact us at USLoans@leedsbeckett.ac.uk</p>	<p>Approx. 1 week following VFAO registration</p>	
<p>7. On the basis of your VFAO response and/or discussions with the US Loans department it is now time to apply for your student loan(s).</p>		

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For Parent Plus and Graduate plus loans apply via www.studentloans.gov/myDirectLoan/index.action • For Direct Federal Loans apply via the https://leedsbeckett.vfao.com/default.aspx • For Private Loans apply via www.salliemae.com 		
<p>8. Receive an email with a copy of your Student Aid Report (SAR) including a copy of your Estimated Family Contribution (EFC). Check this for accuracy and return any amendments. Remember to update your VFAO application with any changes.</p>		
<p>9. Receive Leeds Beckett Visa Support Letter including your CAS number.</p>		
<p>10. Apply for your Tier 4 Student Visa via www.gov.uk/tier-4-general-visa</p>	<p>You can apply up to 3 months before your course begins. But must have received your visa letter from the USLoans office if you are using your loans to pay for your studies.</p>	
<p>11. Arrange your accommodation 2018/19 http://www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/accommodation/ and book your UK return flights.</p>	<p>Before the accommodation booking deadline of 31st July 2018</p>	
<p>12. Review the welcome information website for details regarding your course induction schedule, how to enrol and for access to your student timetable. Make sure you know where, when and who to report to upon your arrival.</p>		
<p>FOLLOWING YOUR ARRIVAL IN LEEDS</p>		
<p>13. Check-in with your visa and passport to our International student arrival helpdesk to comply with UK Border Agency conditions.</p>		
<p>14. Enrol onto your course with the relevant Faculty Administration Team.</p>		

15. Report to one of our Student Hubs for a bank Support letter in order to open a UK bank account.		
16. Enjoy your Welcome Week Experience and get involved with organised social activities to make new friends and to start enjoying your University experience. You will receive a personal invite to a tailor made US Student Welcome meeting.		
17. Commence your academic studies. Remember to budget carefully between loan disbursements. Please keep the US Loans Department in the loop about any course programme changes including transfer/deferral/extension as these decisions could significantly alter your loan status.		
WHEN YOUR STUDIES COME TO AN END		
18. Students in receipt of Federal Loans have a legal responsibility to complete exit counselling via www.mappingyourfuture.org .		
19. Student will need to complete exit counselling after each academic year. Students who are only studying for 1 year will be asked to complete exit counselling prior to them receiving their final disbursement.		
20. It is your responsibility to repay your loan. If in doubt about the terms of your loan, please contact your loan provider.		