

Conditions for Reimbursement of Quarantine and PCR Testing Costs 2021/2022

Background

Restrictions and conditions on travel to the UK, arising from Covid 19, place an additional financial burden on students. These restrictions are likely to remain in place into the beginning of the 2021/2 academic year.

Brunel University London will reimburse these costs for students who are travelling from outside the UK as follows:

Country Designation*	Government Quarantine Hotel Funding	PCR Test Funding	Maximum Amount
Red List	Yes	N/A (Included in the hotel package)	£1,750
Amber List	N/A	Yes	£210
Green List	N/A	Yes	£210

*on day of departure to the UK.

Red list countries

For students travelling from or through a country which is listed on the [UK government's red list](#) on the day of departure to the UK, managed quarantine package costs are as follows:

- £1,750 for bookings made on or before 11 August
- £2,285 for bookings made on or after 4am on 12 August

Brunel University London will reimburse a maximum of £1,750 for new students travelling from a red list country to start their course from 21 July to 31 October 2021, and for returning students travelling from a red list country to start to continue with their studies in September and October 2021.

The application form for quarantine reimbursement (which includes PCR tests) will be available from 1 September and 31 October 2021. Completed applications and all supporting evidence must be submitted between these dates.

Students will be reimbursed through a single payment in January 2022, subject to the necessary evidence being provided. The costs will not be met up-front.

Amber and green list countries

For students travelling from or through a country which is listed on the [UK government's amber or green list](#) on the day of departure to the UK, Brunel University London [will reimburse a maximum of £210](#) for students to undertake PCR tests on arrival in the UK to start their course from 21 July to 31 October 2021. And the same for returning students required to undertake PCR tests on arrival in the UK to continue with their studies in September and October 2021.

The application form for PCR test reimbursement is now open and available until 31 October 2021. Completed applications and all supporting evidence must be submitted between these dates.

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Students will be reimbursed through a single payment by the end of November 2021, subject to the necessary evidence being provided. The costs will not be met up-front.

In all cases, payment will be subject to the conditions and restrictions listed below.

Conditions and Restrictions

In order to be eligible for a reimbursement of quarantine accommodation costs or PCR testing costs, students must:

- Be fully enrolled at Brunel University London to undertake their studies prior to the enrolment deadline for their programme.
- Be fully enrolled on their programme on the date of payment. Students who are withdrawn, in abeyance or suspended/excluded will not be eligible for the reimbursement.
- Where required, have a valid Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) certificate, or relevant visa from the University.
- Have adhered to the [Student Code of Conduct](#) throughout their programme.
- For the quarantine reimbursement, have satisfactorily engaged with their studies for the first academic term of 2021/2022.
- Have completed the relevant application form and provided the necessary evidence within the given timeframe:
 - For quarantine reimbursements, completed applications and all supporting evidence must be submitted between 1 September 2021 and 31 October 2021. Applications will close on 31 October 2021. There will be no extension to this deadline.
 - For PCR reimbursements, completed applications and all supporting evidence must be submitted by 31 October 2021. Applications will close on 31 October 2021. There will be no extension to this deadline.
- Be up to date with all tuition and accommodation payments (or have adhered to any agreed financial arrangement).
- Have a UK bank account in their own name. The University cannot make payments to non-UK bank accounts or accounts held by a third party. Failure to supply UK bank details by the deadline will make you ineligible for the reimbursement.

Supporting Evidence

For the quarantine reimbursement:

A valid receipt of payment for quarantine in a UK Government designated hotel on arrival in the UK, clearly showing,

- The date of departure to the UK
- Proof of transit from or through a red list country on the day of departure to the UK
- The amount paid for the quarantine package
- The student as the recipient of the quarantine package.

For the PCR reimbursement:

A valid receipt of payment and travel documentation clearly showing,

- The date of departure to the UK
- Proof of transit from or through an amber or green list country on the day of departure to the UK
- The amount paid for the PCR tests
- The student as the recipient of the PCR testing kits.

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- The refund is available to eligible students once per academic year.
- This offer is available to students enrolling on pre-sessional English courses with the Brunel Language Centre who then go on to enrol at Brunel University London in August, September or October 2021.
- For applications submitted from 1 September 2021, travel must be undertaken between 1 July 2021 and the registration deadline for the course (which is normally 2-3 weeks from the course start date).
- Pre-sessional English students from the Brunel Language Centre who go on to study at partner institutions, study online or distance learning programmes are not eligible.
- This offer is subject to change in line with UK Government requirements at the time of departure to the UK. If Government requirements change and students are no longer required by law to undertake PCR testing and/or quarantine in a Government designated hotel on arrival in the UK, this offer will no longer apply.
- The offer is to reimburse the cost of whatever testing and quarantine requirements are in place at the time of departure, up to the maximum sums stated.
- This offer is only available to students studying on a Brunel University London programme. It is not available to students studying with Brunel Pathway College, at partner institutions, students studying online or distance learning programmes.
- The offer is not currently applicable to students starting their programmes in January 2022. The situation in relation to those students will be reviewed in accordance with Government guidelines in place at that time.
- The University will not reimburse any additional costs incurred as a result of students having to extend their period of quarantine due to a positive Covid-19 test.
- The reimbursement payment will be made directly to the student's UK bank account. Once the application and evidence has been reviewed, you will be asked to supply valid bank details.
- There is no appeal process. You must provide the application, required evidence and details of a UK bank account in your name by the deadline to receive payment.
- It will not be possible to offset this refund against any University costs, you will need to meet any University costs as scheduled from your funds.
- The refund applies to the student only, costs for dependents will not be met by the University.