

Overview of Time and Funding extensions for Research Students

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Student Status?	Eligible for?	When?	How?
Funding Extensions (stipend only)			
Funding / Normal period of study due to end by 30 September 2022, funded by DfE	If not in receipt of extension from another body and meets eligibility, can apply in Stage 5	31 January – 28 February 2022	Online Form
Funding / Normal period of study due to end by 30 September 2022, funded by another funding body or self-funding	If not in receipt of extension from another body and meets eligibility, can apply in Stage 5	31 January – 28 February 2022	Online Form
Funded by UKRI, ie Research Councils	Depends on funding body guidance and funding available	Speak to DTP / CDT Co-ordinator	Speak to DTP / CDT Co-ordinator
Funding / Normal period of study due to end 01 October 2022 or later, but started Research Degree Programme before 1 March 2020	Future funding extension processes	TBD based on funding availability	TBD
Started Research Degree Programme after 1 March 2020	Discuss your research plan with your Supervisor and ensure you are recording impacts and mitigations due to Covid-19	Impacts and adaptations to projects will be reviewed	Record impacts on Research Student Lifecycle and through APR
Time Extensions / Fee Free Periods			
If you have applied for a funding extension, your time extension will be taken forward as part of the funding extension process. If you think you will need 6 months additional time/fee free period (ie both FFP1 and FFP2) to complete your research before submitting your thesis or changing to thesis only, please indicate that on the extension application form.			
Normal period of study due to end by 30 September 2022	Time extension without additional fees or other charges of up to 6 months (or 12 months for part-time students)	Now	FFP1: Up to 3 month time extension / fee free period, student to request from School, and School to email pgr.records@qub.ac.uk unless you have applied for a funding extension FFP2: Up to further 3 month time extension / fee free period, requested through the relevant RDP Extension

Time Extensions / Fee Free Periods (Continued)

			Request Concession Form, unless you have applied for a funding extension. QAR Team notifies School and PGR Records of the outcome.
Normal period of study on or after 01 October 2022, but started research degree before 23 March 2020	Time extension without additional fees or other charges of up to 6 months (or 12 months for part-time students)	3 – 6 months ahead of funding / normal period of study ending	<p>FFP1: Up to 3 month time extension / fee free period, student to request from School, and School to email pgr.records@qub.ac.uk</p> <p>FFP2: Up to further 3 month time extension / fee free period, through the relevant RDP Extension Request Concession Form. QAR Team notifies School and PGR Records of the outcome.</p>
Students who started research degree after 23 March 2020	Expectation of adapting research plan to complete within expected timeframe	Impacts and adaptations to projects will be reviewed	Record impacts on Research Student Lifecycle and through APR
Completing 12 months Thesis Only and yet to avail of FFP1 and/or FFP2	If a student is completing their Thesis only year and has not availed of FFP1 and/or FFP2, they are eligible for the time extension without additional fees or other charges of up to 6 months.	On completion of the Thesis Only year	<p>FFP1: Up to 3 month time extension / fee free period, student to request from School, and School to email pgr.records@qub.ac.uk</p> <p>FFP2: Up to further 3 month time extension / fee free period, requested through the relevant RDP Extension Request Concession Form. QAR Team notifies School and PGR Records of the outcome.</p>