



Centrelink ABSTUDY



ABSTUDY Incidental Allowance

ABSTUDY Incidentals Allowance is paid to assist students and Australian Apprentices (apprentices or trainees) to meet expenses associated with study/training in an approved course, such as general purpose education institution fees, textbooks, equipment and stationery.

The rate of entitlement is determined by the period of enrolment in the course during the year of assistance. Different rates apply for courses ranging from less than 12 weeks in duration to a full year.

Less than 12 week course	\$72.50pa
12 to 16 week course	\$126.90pa
17 to 23 week (one semester) course	\$252.40 pa
24 week to one year course	\$512.80pa

Students are eligible to receive Incidentals Allowance for each year of study in an approved course. Incidentals allowance may also be paid in full where a student repeats a year/stage of a course.

If students/Australian Apprentices only wish to claim Incidentals Allowance (and other non-means-tested allowances, depending on their circumstances), they should *complete the Claim for ABSTUDY Allowances and Part-time Award (SY021) - form d*. Alternatively, this can be claimed over the telephone via the *ABSTUDY Simplified Claiming Process*. This includes customers who are in receipt of another Centrelink payment, such as Parenting Payment Single, who wish to remain on that payment but claim ABSTUDY Incidentals Allowance only.

Incidentals Allowance is not income-tested.

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13 23 17**

For more information visit Centrelink's website at www.centrelink.gov.au

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If you are studying or training (or planning to undertake study or training) there are a number of payments you could be eligible to claim. Listed below are claim forms that may assist you in claiming a payment from Centrelink and /or the Family Assistance Office.

- > [ABSTUDY](#) - assistance for Indigenous secondary or tertiary students and Australian Apprentices.
- > [Assistance for Isolated Children](#) - provides assistance if your family has a primary, secondary or under 16 year old tertiary student who cannot go to an appropriate government school because you live too far away.
- > [Austudy](#) - income support for full-time students and Australian Apprentices aged 25 years or over.
- > [Fares Allowance](#) - for tertiary students who are living away from their permanent home to study.
- > [Low Income Health Care Card](#) - holders may be entitled to a variety of government and private company concessions.
- > [Pensioner Education Supplement](#) - for people who are currently studying, or intend to study in the near future.
- > [Youth Allowance](#) - for full-time students or Australian Apprentices aged 16 to 24 and young people aged under 21 who are undertaking job search or a combination of approved activities.

For more information, refer to the [Studying or training](#) section of our website.

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Claim forms

Centrelink has a range of printable claim forms that you can download, complete and return to us. To view the claim form that best suits you, select from the list below the statement that describes your current personal situation.

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By selecting "Planning to study or undertake training (or currently studying or training)", this will take you through to the following page


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By selecting ABSTUDY this will take you to the screen below.

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By scrolling down this page you will be able to find **ABSTUDY Forms** by selecting "Claim Forms to complete".

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By scrolling down the list of forms, you will come to the ABSTUDY Allowances and Part Time Awards Claim Form. This is the form needed to apply for the ABSTUDY Incidental Allowance for an Apprentice or Trainee.

Form Code is SY021—This is a 6 page form.

 Australian Government	 Centrelink giving you options	Claim for ABSTUDY Allowances and Part-time Award			
Office Use Only					
Customer Reference Number	Received by Community agency, institution				
<input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> / /				
Accepted by Centrelink	Received by processing office	Logon ID	Assessed	Logon ID	Assessor's initials
<input type="text"/> / /	<input type="text"/> / /	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> / /	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Purpose of this form	For Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• part-time students• full-time students who wish to claim non-means-tested ABSTUDY allowances only (including Incidentals Allowance)• Australian Apprentices who wish to claim Incidentals Allowance only, or• seeking assistance to attend a Testing and Assessment activity to gain entry to either:<ul style="list-style-type: none">– a tertiary course– an enabling course at university. <p>Note: If you are a full-time student or an Australian Apprentice you can claim by phone by contacting Centrelink on 13 2317, or by completing the <i>Claim for ABSTUDY</i> form (SY019). The <i>ABSTUDY</i> brochure provides you with more information about ABSTUDY entitlements and allowances.</p>				

Alternatively, ABSTUDY Incidental Allowance can be claimed by contacting ABSTUDY Call on 13 23 27.

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