

Frequently Asked Questions on Suspension of Repayment and Interest Accrual of Government Loans

1. What are the types of loans eligible for the one-year suspension of repayments and interest accrual of government loans?

The loan suspension will apply to government loans, namely the Tuition Fee Loan (TFL) Scheme, Study Loan (SL) Scheme, and the *Overseas Student Programme (OSP) Loan Scheme, at the Polytechnics and Autonomous Universities (AUs) from 1 June 2020 to 31 May 2021.

*MOE's OSPL scheme is for Singapore citizen only.

2. Who is eligible for the one-year suspension of repayments and interest accrual? Do students who have withdrawn from study and have outstanding loans qualify for the one-year suspension?

All graduates, regardless of nationality, who have an outstanding TFL, SL, or OSP Loan are eligible for the suspension of repayment and interest accrual of government loans during the suspension period. Students who have withdrawn from their courses and have outstanding loans also qualify.

3. Do borrowers need to apply to qualify for the one-year suspension of repayments and interest?

All graduates who have outstanding TFL, SL, and OSPL will be eligible and be given automatic suspension. They need not apply to qualify for the suspension.

4. Can borrowers make repayments during the suspension period?

Yes, borrowers who wish to continue to make repayments during the suspension period can continue to do so. Funds received by OCBC will be taken as capital repayment to the loan. Please note that auto deduction of existing monthly installment will be disabled during the suspension period.

* Available payment mode options during suspension period are Cash, Cheque, MEPS and Swift with any amount through these available payment modes.

5. Will the repayment and interest accrual for overdue repayments accrued before 1 Jun 2020 also be suspended during the suspension period?

Yes, all repayments and interest (standard and penalty interest) will be suspended from 1 June 2020 to 31 May 2021.

6. Does this suspension apply to Frank Education Loan?

No. This loan suspension only apply to MOE loan schemes. It doesn't apply to Frank Education Loan.