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Pre-Release Access List Student Support for Higher Education in England 2020: Full Year 2019/20 and Early In Year 2020/21

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| | Communications Special Adviser to the Secretary of State |
| | Private Secretary to the SoS Special Advisors |
| | Minister of State for Universities |
| | Private Secretary to the MoS (MoS Private Office) |
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| | Private Secretary to the Permanent Secretary |
| | Director General, Higher and Further Education |
| | Director, Career Learning, Analysis, Skills and Student Choice |
| | Head of Profession for Statistics |
| | Deputy Head of Profession for Statistics |
| DfE Press Office: | Senior Media Officer |
| | Media Officer |
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| | Policy Official, Student Finance Support |
| | Policy Official, Undergraduate Student Finance Support Regulations |
| | Policy Official, Dependants' Grants |
| | Policy Official, Disabled Student's Allowance |
| | Policy Official, Future Student Finance |
| | Policy Official, Student Funding Eligibility Team, Postgraduate Policy |
| Student Loans Company: | Chief Executive |
| | Executive Director of Operations |
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| | Head of Corporate Affairs |
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