

**Question for written answer E-003596/2025
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Studying in the UK unaffordable for European students after Brexit

Following the UK's withdrawal from the EU, European students at British universities are no longer subject to the same tuition fees as British students. In many cases, fees for EU citizens have soared to more than EUR 20 000 per year, which is prohibitive for the majority of European families.

The new system bars thousands of young Europeans access to UK universities, in a massive blow to student mobility, academic cooperation and the principle of equal access to knowledge.

Can the Commission therefore answer the following:

1. In the context of the new relationship between the UK and the EU, has it addressed the issue of this dramatic increase in tuition fees for EU students at British universities and the difficulty of obtaining student loans?
2. In the upcoming negotiations, will it bring to the attention of the British authorities the need to review the tuition fee policy for European students?
3. Will it propose compensatory measures, such as European scholarships, specific funds or new initiatives, to ensure that EU students have access to higher education in the UK regardless of their financial capacity?

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