

What's In The Manifestos?

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At every general election, each political party issues a Manifesto. This is their plan for government, and their promise to the voters about what they intend to do. The manifestos will cover all topics of government, and may or may not have details on how the money will be found to pay for this.

Here, we look at the manifestos of the Conservatives, Labour and the Liberal Democrats and what they say about Higher Education, Students (including EU & International Students) and the rental housing market.



<i>Tuition Fees</i>	A University which charges maximum fees must become involved in academy sponsorship or the founding of free schools. A major review of funding across tertiary education as a whole,	Propose to abolish all Tuition fees	Establish a review into higher education funding. No retrospective loan rate increases, or loan privatisation.
<i>Student Loans</i>	Student loans forgiveness for those who become teachers, while they teach.	Loans will be abolished, and grants will return	Reinstate student nurse bursaries. Reinstate bursaries for poorer students,
<i>TEF / NSS</i>	No comment	No comment on TEF, however the abolition of Tuition Fees means no inflationary rises in fees, as there will be no fees at all.	No comment
<i>International Students</i>	Overseas students will remain in the immigration statistics ... and within scope of the government's	Pledged to remove international students from immigration numbers	Pledged to remove international students from immigration numbers. reinstate post-study work visas for graduates



	policy to reduce annual net migration. Will increase the Immigration Health Surcharge, to £450 for international students. will toughen the visa requirements for students.		in STEM subjects who find suitable employment within six months of graduating
<i>Brexit (students and education comments)</i>	No comment	Will remain in Horizon 2020 to promote research across Europe, and implies free movement into the UK for research academics. Remain in ERASMUS scheme.	Will “fight to remain in Horizon 2020”
<i>Housing (rental)</i>	Will improve protections for those who rent, including by looking at how we increase security for good tenants	Will introduce controls on rent increases, and new consumer protection laws for renters. New minimum standards on fit for habitation definition.	protections against rogue landlords through mandatory licensing. Banning lettings fees for tenants, capping upfront deposits and increasing minimum standards in rented homes

Links

- Conservative <https://www.conservatives.com/manifesto>
- Labour <http://www.labour.org.uk/index.php/manifesto2017>
- LibDems <http://www.libdems.org.uk/manifesto>
- SNP <https://www.snp.org/>
- Greens <https://www.greenparty.org.uk/green-party-manifesto.html>
- UKIP <http://www.ukip.org/manifestos>



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