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I'm a university student who has started second year. I took a student loan out via student finance England to pay for the first year. is there any way I can start paying back the loan while I'm still on my course?

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Yes, you can start making voluntary repayments on your student loan while you're still studying. Here are a few ways to do this:

1. **Online Account**: You can make extra repayments through your online account with the Student Loans Company (SLC). This can be done via card, bank transfer, or cheque[^1^](https://www.gov.uk/repaying-your-student-loan/what-you-pay).
2. **Direct Debit**: Setting up a direct debit is another option. This allows you to make regular payments directly from your bank account[^2^](https://www.gov.uk/repaying-your-student-loan).

Keep in mind that while making extra repayments can reduce the overall interest you'll pay, it's important to ensure you have enough funds for your living expenses and other needs during your studies.

Would you like more details on how to set up these payments?

### Learn more:

1. [www.gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk/repaying-your-student-loan/what-you-pay)
2. [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)
3. [www.savethestudent.org](http://www.savethestudent.org)
4. [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)
5. [en.wikipedia.org](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Student_loan)

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Where do I go to start repaying it on the SLC website?

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To start repaying your student loan on the Student Loans Company (SLC) website, follow these steps:

1. **Sign in to your online account**: Go to the [SLC repayment account page](https://www.gov.uk/sign-in-to-manage-your-student-loan-balance)[^1^](https://www.gov.uk/repaying-your-student-loan/what-you-pay).
2. **Enter your details**: You'll need your customer reference number or email address, password, and secret answer (e.g., your mother's maiden name)[^1^](https://www.gov.uk/repaying-your-student-loan/what-you-pay).
3. **Make a repayment**: Once logged in, you can make a one-off repayment or set up regular payments via direct debit or card[^2^](https://www.gov.uk/repaying-your-student-loan).

If you have any trouble accessing your account, you can reset your login details using the email address you used when you applied for your loan[^1^](https://www.gov.uk/repaying-your-student-loan/what-you-pay).

Would you like more information on setting up direct debits or making one-off payments?

### Learn more:

1. [www.gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk/sign-in-to-manage-your-student-loan-balance)
2. [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)
3. [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)
4. [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)