

# 2012 Tuition fees at Worcester

## Changes for 2012

You may have heard lots of talk in the media about the impending increase in tuition fees.

From 2012, the Government will introduce new funding arrangements. This means the withdrawal of the great majority of public funding for higher education.


The University of Worcester is one of the very few universities known for their high-quality qualifications who are charging the actual costs rather than the maximum amount established by the Government.

The fees at Worcester reflect the cost of efficiently providing an excellent education. We believe that once a student is selected to study here, they become a member of our community. This informs everything we do.

At Worcester, we are committed to providing our future students with the same world-class education and state-of-the-art facilities available to our current students. We will be introducing a raft of measures to ensure that we continue to attract the most talented, ambitious students regardless of their financial circumstances.

## Tuition fees at the University of Worcester

- **The standard annual fee for full-time undergraduate study for UK/EU students enrolling in 2012 will be £8,100 per year.** Full-time undergraduate courses normally take three years to complete.
- Varying fees will apply for Foundation Degrees and HNDs. For the majority of Foundation Degree courses, which are completed over two years, an annual tuition fee of £6,000 will apply. For a complete list of Foundation course fees, visit our website [www.worcester.ac.uk](http://www.worcester.ac.uk).
- If you're interested in becoming a teacher or nurse, grants are available.
- The University proposes to charge for part-time study on a pro rata basis.
- If you are an International student, please see our website at [www.worcester.ac.uk/international](http://www.worcester.ac.uk/international) for detailed information.



## quick facts

- **Tuition fees at Worcester will be £8,100 for 2012**
- **You don't have to pay upfront for your course**
- **You can get a loan to cover the cost of your tuition, which you only start to pay back when you are earning over £21,000 a year**
- **Maintenance loans are available for day-to-day living**



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[www.worcester.ac.uk/fees](http://www.worcester.ac.uk/fees)



# Financial support at Worcester

## Getting ready to study

There are various sources of funding available, some of which are detailed below.

## Full-time student loans

There are two types of student loan (loans have to be repaid):

### Tuition fee loan

The tuition fee loan covers your tuition fees of £8,100 and is paid directly to the University of Worcester for each year of your study, once you have registered on your course.

### Maintenance loan

The maintenance loan is for day-to-day living expenses such as accommodation and food. This will be paid into your bank account at the start of term, once you've registered on your course.

The maximum you can borrow is £5,500 if you live away from home and £4,375 if you live with your parents. The exact amount you can borrow depends on a number of factors such as your household income and what help you're eligible for with a maintenance grant.

## How to apply for a loan

You can apply for a student loan by completing an online application form at [www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance](http://www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance) Alternatively you can ring Student Finance England on 0845 300 50 90, for a paper application form.

## When to apply for a loan

Don't wait until you've been formally offered a place – you can apply for your student loan in late 2011 or early 2012.

## Full-time Maintenance Grants

You can also apply for a Maintenance Grant to help with your living costs. Maintenance Grants don't have to be repaid. The maximum you can get is £3,250 a year, available to those whose household income is less than £25,000. Varying amounts are awarded to students whose parents' income is less than £42,600 a year.

Some special support grants are available for families on income support or housing benefit. Apply online at the same time as you are applying for loans.

## Part-time students

As a part-time student, our flexible part-time study options mean you can fit learning around work and other commitments. From 2012, loans for tuition will be extended to eligible part-time first degree students who complete a minimum of 25 per cent of the full-time course load per year (30 credits or more).

The tuition fee for part-time students starting in 2012/13 is to be confirmed, please check the website for updates.

You may also be able to apply for a professional and career development loan of between £300 and £10,000. See [www.direct.gov.uk](http://www.direct.gov.uk) for more details.

## £150 million National Scholarship Programme

A new National Scholarship scheme, worth £150 million a year by 2014/15, will be introduced from 2012. It will help students from lower income households. More details will be available on UCAS and university websites when they are available. The University of Worcester will award 200 scholarships through the scheme.

## Additional financial benefits at University of Worcester

### Scholarships

Scholarships are financial awards that you don't have to pay back.

One of Worcester's largest employers is to sponsor student scholarships at the University of Worcester. The Bosch Scholarships will be in addition to the University's existing scholarship scheme, which continues to grow with the support of local businesses.

Additionally, local philanthropist Clive Richards has donated a significant amount of money through the Clive Richards Charity to allow the University of Worcester to offer a further 100 scholarships of £1,000 each.

Students can also apply for funding to help with voluntary projects or activities related to their hobbies and interests. Find out more about scholarships at [www.worcester.ac.uk/your-home/scholarships](http://www.worcester.ac.uk/your-home/scholarships)