



# TUITION FEES POLICY

## 2024/25

**1. Introduction**

1.1. This policy provides a framework for the setting, payment and collection of Bangor University tuition



## 5. New and Continuing Students

- 5.1. A 'new student' is defined as any of the following: -
- 5.1.1. a student starting a new programme at the University in the current academic year.
  - 5.1.2. a student starting a new programme at the University in the current academic year where the programme is at a different level (e.g. postgraduate, not undergraduate) from any programme taken during the previous academic year.
  - 5.1.3. a student who is continuing the same programme at the University following an authorised break from study of more than two years.
  - 5.1.4. a student changing their mode of study (e.g. from full-time to part-time). This is distinct from changing to a part-time mode of attendance while still registered on a full-time programme.
  - 5.1.5. a student transferring in from another higher education institution.
  - 5.1.6. a student 'topping up' a higher education qualification (e.g. from a foundation degree to an honours degree) following a break in study of one year or more.
- 5.2. A 'continuing student' is defined as any of the following: -
- 5.2.1. a student who is continuing the same programme at the University as in the previous academic year, or following an authorised break from study of under two years.
  - 5.2.2. a student transferring programmes within the University and not changing their mode of study (e.g. from full-time to part-time).
  - 5.2.3. a student 'topping up' a higher education qualification (e.g. from a foundation degree to an honours degree) without a break in study, including progression from a partner institution where the programme is continued at the University.
- 5.3. In cases where unusual or extenuating circumstances apply, the University will, at its discretion, define a student as new or continuing.

## 6. Levels of Study

- 6.1. There are three levels of study into which programme fees are categorised, Undergraduate, Post graduate taught and Postgraduate research.
- 6.2. The full list of University awards can be found on the University web pages – [Awards](#).

## 7. Study Period and Fee Regime

- 7.1. Students enrol at the start of their programme, and subsequently register at the start of each academic year following (September). The usual duration of a study period is a maximum of 12 calendar months. At the end of this study period, students are required to register again for their next academic year (as defined in [Regulation 01](#)).
- 7.2. For all taught students, and international postgraduate research students, the fee regime (the relevant fee policy and schedule of fees) in place at the start of the first academic year, remains in effect for the duration of their programme, unless: -
- 7.2.1. there is a shift in mode of study (e.g. from full-time to part-time), or
  - 7.2.2. there is a break in study of more than 2 years, or
  - 7.2.3. an agreement has been otherwise defined in the offer letter
- 7.3. The fee regime for home postgraduate research students will change in each subsequent academic year of study, in line with any increases made to the [UKRI doctoral stipend levels and indicative fees](#).
- 7.4. For students deferring their place at the University, the version of the fee regime that applies will be that for the academic year in which they commence their study period, not for the year of application/deferment.

## 8. Fee Amount

- 8.1. Fees for new students commencing a programme during the forthcoming/current academic year can be found on the University's [fees schedule](#), along with those of continuing postgraduate research students. Fees for continuing taught students can be found by referring to the [schedule that corresponds to the year of their commencement of studies](#).

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8.3. Tuition fee amounts may differ between programmes at the same level, and a student will be charged the fee appropriate to the programme on which they are registered. In the case of students transferring from one programme to another during the academic year, where the fees charged for the second programme are different to the fee charged for the first, the student would be required to pay the fee appropriate to the new programme. In such cases, students will either be required to pay the difference, or may be entitled to a refund, depending on any outstanding charges due for the original programme.

8.4. No variation on these fees will be allowed without written confirmation from the University.

8.5. Programme Fees

Programme fees include all compulsory elements required for students to meet the minimum learning outcomes of the programme.

8.6. Module Fees

All modules at the University carry a credit rating and the fees charged for a module reflect the number of credits a student can achieve on completion of the module. Module fees are published per 10 credits. Module fees include all compulsory elements required for students to meet the minimum learning outcomes of the module.



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Will be charged pro rata, weekly, up to 30 weeks for undergraduate programmes, and 38 weeks for PGCE. The full weekly fee will be charged if attendance and/or engagement is recorded in that particular week.

11.8.2. Part-Time Undergraduate Students (excluding those undertaking a part-time repeat of a full-time programme to redeem failure):

11.8.2.1. Will be charged pro rata, weekly, up to 30 weeks. The full weekly fee will be charged if attendance and/or engagement is recorded in that particular week.

11.8.3. Full-Time Postgraduate Taught Students:

11.8.3.1. Will be charged pro rata, weekly, up to 45 weeks. The full weekly fee will be charged if attendance and/or engagement is recorded in that particular week.

11.7.4. Part-Time Postgraduate Taught Students:

11.7.4.1. Will be charged pro rata, weekly, for the registered modules scheduled up to the date of withdrawal.

11.7.4.2. For students following predominantly weekend study programmes on a part-time



#### **14. Tuition Fees for Staff**

- 14.1. All Bangor University employees (with the exception of those who are currently being, or who are in the process of being, registered as a full-time student) are eligible to be considered for a fee waiver on University programmes.
- 14.2. The member of staff should have a formal contract of employment with the University (greater than 12 hours per week, and liable for class 1A National Insurance contributions, unless exempted due to age), valid from the date of registration on the programme until the end of the 'current' fee-charging period.
- 14.3. University halls wardens are not eligible for tuition fee waivers.
- 14.4. Where the contract of employment terminates part-way through a subsequent fee-charging period (e.g. next academic year), fees will normally be charged on a pro rata basis from the end of the contract.
- 14.5. Staff must have the consent of the Head of their employing School/Department to undertake the programme of study and that their tuition fees can be waived/reduced.
- 14.6. Where a member of staff is employed as a research assistant and the registration on a research degree is a condition of the employment contract, tuition fees are eligible for consideration for a fee waiver.
- 14.7. Fee waivers are not available where a member of staff is eligible to claim the equivalent of the tuition fee through Local Education Authority, or other, funding.
- 14.8. Where fees have been charged on a pro rata basis from the end of a contract, the fees will be recalculated or reimbursed, as appropriate, if a contract is extended or a new contract is issued.
- 14.9. Any optional additional charges such as visits, field trips, equipment will still be payable by the staff member.
- 14.10. Where the staff member, as a student, ceases to qualify for a fee waiver part-way through a programme, and more than 50% of the tuition fee has been covered by the waiver, then the examination fee will be due.