UNIVERSITY LEVEL COURSES TUITION FEES AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT 2021-22



FULL-TIME TUITION FEES FOR UNIVERSITY LEVEL COURSES - YEAR 1

Course Title ¹	Course Length	Student Tuition Fee 2021-22 (per year)	
FD Dental Technology	2 years	£9,250.00	UOWORC
HNC Applied Science (Biology)	1 year	£5,665.00	BMet
HNC Art and Design (Graphic Design)	1 year	£5,665.00	BMet
HNC Business	1 year	£5,665.00	BMet
HNC Cloud Computing	1 year	£5,665.00	BMet
HNC Public Services	1 year	£5,665.00	BMet
HNC Sport and Exercise Science	1 year	£5,665.00	BMet
HND Art and Design (Graphic Design)	2 years	£5,665.00	BMet
HND Art and Design (Graphic Design) (Top Up)	1 year	£5,665.00	BMet
HND Business	2 years	£5,665.00	BMet
HND Cloud Computing	2 years	£5,665.00	BMet
HND Cloud Computing (Top Up)	1 year	£5,665.00	BMet
HND Law and Practice	2 years	£5,665.00	BCU
HND Media and Communication	2 years	£5,665.00	BCU
HND Public Services	2 years	£5,665.00	BMet
HND Public Services (Top Up)	1 year	£5,665.00	BMet
HND Sport and Exercise Science	2 years	£5,665.00	BMet
HND Sport and Exercise Science (Top Up)	1 year	£5,665.00	BMet

PART-TIME TUITION FEES FOR UNIVERSITY LEVEL COURSES - YEAR 1

Course Title ¹	Course Length	Student Tuition Fee 2021-22 (per year)	
FD Dental Technology	3 years	£6,939.00	UOWORC
FD Electronic Engineering (Communications)	2 years	£5,665.00	BMet
FD Electronic Engineering (Instrumentation and Control)	2 years	£5,665.00	BMet
FD Manufacturing Engineering	2 years	£5,665.00	BMet
HNC Engineering (General Engineering)	2 years	£2,832.50	BMet
Professional Graduate Certificate in Post Compulsory Education	2 years	£3,050.00	UOWOLV
Undergraduate Certificate in Post Compulsory Education	2 years	£3,050.00	UOWOLV

¹ FD (Foundation Degree); HNC (Higher National Certificate); HND (Higher National Diploma)

² BCU (Birmingham City University); BMet (Birmingham Metropolitan College); UOWOLV (University of Wolverhampton); UOWORC (University of Worcester)



TUITION FEE POLICIES

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When you enrol at BMet on a course where the College has responsibility for collecting the tuition fee you will be required to provide one of the following methods of payment:

- Tuition Fee Loan from Student Finance England support notification letter (please note if your loan isn't approved when you enrol for your course you will be required to show that you have submitted your application for financial support to Student Finance England)
- one-off payment by bank transfer, credit card or debit card
- instalments initial payment by bank transfer, credit card or debit card followed by four monthly instalments by direct debit
- employer a purchase order, on company headed paper, agreeing to pay the fees

Following enrolment, if you decide to withdraw from your course of study the tuition fee liability due will be:

Day 1 to Day 14	0%
Day 14 to end of Term 1	25% of the total tuition fee
Day 14 to end of Term 2	50% of the total tuition fee
Day 14 to end of Term 3	100% of the total tuition fee

The BMet Fees Policy can be accessed on the College's website here.

Awarding University

Where the awarding University has responsibility for collecting the tuition fee their fees policy will apply and these can be accessed at:

- Birmingham City University www.bcu.ac.uk/about-us/corporate-information/policies-and-procedures/finance-policies
- University of Wolverhampton www.wlv.ac.uk/study-here/money-matters/how-to-pay/
- University of Worcester
 www.worc.ac.uk/about/university-information/who-we-are/university-policies-and-procedures.aspx#f



FINANCIAL SUPPORT AVAILABLE FOR UNIVERSITY LEVEL COURSES

Student Finance England

The Government offers a wide range of student financial support in the form of grants, loans and university/higher education institution bursaries. If you're studying a Foundation Degree, Higher National Certificate, Higher National Diploma or Post Compulsory Education course you can apply for financial support from the government through Student Finance England. The main sources of help available are grants which you don't pay back and loans which you do.

If you are eligible you can apply for:

- Tuition Fee Loan to help with the cost of tuition fees
- Maintenance Loan to help with accommodation and other living costs
- Childcare Grant to help with childcare costs for children under 15, or under 17 if they have special educational needs (full-time students only)
- Parents' Learning Allowance to help students with children pay for learning costs (full-time students only)
- Adult Dependents' Grant to help students with an adult who depends on them financially (full-time students only)
- Disabled Students' Allowance to help students with a disability

Please note that the College is sadly unable to grant a tuition fee waiver of any sort, regardless of personal circumstances.

Eligibility Criteria

If you qualify for financial support from Student Finance England depends on:

- your course
 - all courses listed above are eligible for financial support
- if you have studied a higher education course before
 - you will normally only get financial support if you are doing your first higher education qualification
- if you changed course, stopped your studies or are repeating a year
 - if you stopped your course within the first year of study, you will get funding for the same course or a new course.
 - you may get funding if you suspended your course or withdrew before if finished or are repeating a year of your course at the same university, college or institution.
- if you already have a degree
 - you may be eligible for funding in certain circumstances.
- your age
 - there is no upper age limit for tuition fee loans although if you are 60 or over you may get limited funding for Maintenance Loans if you meet specified criteria
- your nationality or residency status
 - you can submit an application for financial support if all the following apply:
 - o you are a UK national, Irish citizen or have 'settled status'



- you normally live in England
- you have been living in the UK, Channel Islands or the Isle of Man for 3 years before starting your course
- you may be eligible if you are a UK national (or family member of a UK national) who:
 - o returned to the UK before 1 January 2021 after living in the EU, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein
 - o has been living in the UK, the EU, Gibraltar, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein for the past 3 years
- if your residency status is one of the following you may be eligible for financial support:
 - refugee (including family members)
 - humanitarian protection (including family members)
 - o migrant worker from the EU, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein (including family members) with settled or pre-settled status
 - child of a Swiss national and you and your parent have settled or pre-settled status under the EU Settlement Scheme
 - o child of a Turkish worker who has permission to stay in the UK, you and your Turkish worker parent must have been living in the UK before 1 January 2021
 - o a stateless person (including family members)
 - o an unaccompanied child granted 'Section 67 leave' under the Dubs Amendment
 - o a child who is under the protection of someone granted 'Section 67 leave' and is allowed to stay in the UK for the same period of time as the person responsible for them (known as 'leave in line')
 - o granted 'Calais leave' to remain
 - o a child of someone granted 'Calais leave' to remain and is allowed to stay in the UK for the same period of time as their parent (known as 'leave in line')
 - o settled status ('indefinite leave to remain') because you have been a victim of domestic violence
 - o indefinite leave to remain as a bereaved partner
- if you are not a UK national and you are one of the following you may be eligible for financial support:
 - o under 18 and have lived in the UK for at least 7 years
 - 18 or over and have lived in the UK for at least 20 years (or at least half of your life)

For further information please access https://www.gov.uk/student-finance/who-qualifies.

Applying during Coronavirus (COVID-19)

The Student Loan Company has issued guidance for students and answers to common questions related to the COVID-19 outbreak when applying for financial support.

For further information please access https://www.gov.uk/guidance/guidance-for-prospective-students.

Loan Repayments

The earliest you will start repaying any loans

- if you are studying full-time the April after you leave the course
- if you are studying part-time the April 4 years after the course started



and only when your annual income is over £27,295 (before tax and other deductions). You will stop paying if your income drops below this amount. You pay back 9% of your income over the minimum amount of £27,295.

For further information please access www.gov.uk/repaying-your-student-loan.

Students from the EU

If you are a student from a EU country, excluding Irish citizens, and you are starting your course on or after 1 August 2021, you must have settled or pre-settled status under the EU Settlement Scheme to apply for financial support from Student Finance England.

If you are eligible you can apply for:

- Tuition Fee Loan to help with the cost of tuition fees
- Maintenance Loan to help with accommodation and other living costs

If you arrived in the UK after 31 December 2020, you may need to apply for a visa to study here.

BMet/Awarding University

In addition to the financial support available through Student Finance England, if you are still experiencing financial difficulties the College or awarding University may be able to provide help with travel and equipment for your course.

For further information please access:

- for Higher National Diploma courses awarded by Birmingham City University <u>www.bcu.ac.uk/student-info/finance-and-money-matters</u>
- for courses awarded by the University of Wolverhampton www.wlv.ac.uk/study-here/money-matters/
- for courses awarded by the University of Worcester www.worc.ac.uk/study/fees-and-finance/fees-and-finance.aspx
- for all other courses www.bmet.ac.uk/student-experience/student-services/student-bursaries-financial-support/

ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT AVAILABLE

As well as the financial support available from Student Finance England and BMet or awarding University you may be eligible to apply for:

- Disability related benefits to help students with a disability www.gov.uk/financial-help-disabled
- Funding from Charitable Trusts use the Turn2us grant search to check whether you qualify grants-search.turn2us.org.uk

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 Universal Credit – to help students with living costs www.gov.uk/universal-credit

For further information and to find out if you are eligible for this additional financial support please access the websites provided.

FURTHER INFORMATION

To ensure you have all the information you need to work out what financial support you may be eligible for and how you get it contact:

Student Finance England BMet

www.gov.uk/student-finance https://www.bmet.ac.uk/studentexperience/student-services/student0300 100 0607 07341 488035

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