

Key Facts about Fees during the 2025/2026 academic year

(applicable to all new and existing students registering and re-registering for Programmes from 1 August 2025)

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1. Tuition fee increases

- 1.1. By accepting the University's offer (conditional or unconditional) of a place on one of its Programmes of study set out in an offer letter and entering into a Contract (defined in the Glossary section below) with the University, you acknowledge and agree that you will be charged the appropriate tuition fee for each academic year of study.
- 1.2. Tuition fees are set by the University, but for certain categories of fees [including Regulated Tuition Fees] the tuition fees charged are subject to maximum fee limits set by the UK Government.
- 1.3. The UK Government sets the maximum Regulated Tuition Fees the University can charge through The Higher Education and Research Act 2017. Regulated Tuition Fees will increase in the second and each subsequent year of your Programme by the rate of RPI-X Inflation forecasted by the Office for Budget Responsibility (up to a maximum of 10% each academic year), subject to the maximum fee limits set out by the UK Government.
- 1.4. Tuition fees that are not regulated by the UK Government i.e. Non-Regulated Tuition Fees (defined below) will increase in the second and each subsequent year of your Programme. Non-Regulated Tuition Fees will increase by the rate of RPI-X Inflation forecasted by the Office for Budget Responsibility (up to a maximum of 10% in the second and subsequent academic year(s) of study at the time we start our annual fee review in November (e.g. for fees for the 2027-28 academic year we will use the rate of RPI-X inflation forecast by the Office for Budget Responsibility for Q3 2027 at the time we start or our review of fees in November 2025).
- 1.5. If you take longer than scheduled to complete your Programme (e.g. because you retake a year), you will be charged the tuition fees that are applicable for each year of study after the scheduled completion date.

2. Calculation of tuition fees

- 2.1. When you apply to us, your tuition fee status will be assessed by us as either Home Rate (defined below) or Overseas Rate (defined below). This tuition fee status assessment will impact the level of the tuition fee that you will be required to pay.
- 2.2. Your offer letter will confirm if you are eligible for tuition fees at the Home Rate, but we may change your status if we think there are grounds for completing a further fee assessment. We assess fee status according to guidance of the UK Council for International Student Affairs. If assessments by Student Tuition Fee Loan Company or under other regulations or guidance differ, our assessment will prevail. To retain home status, you must continue to satisfy all applicable eligibility requirements.
- 2.3. Unless we assess you as eligible for tuition fees at the Home Rate, you will be charged tuition fees at the Overseas Rate.
- 2.4. We have the right to reassess or rescind your tuition fee status where information comes to light that may affect a tuition fee assessment decision already made.
- 2.5. Your tuition fees are set out in your offer letter.

- 2.6. Tuition fees are not discounted if you start your Programme late.
- 2.7. Tuition fees are not waived or reduced for any period during which you are suspended pending a disciplinary hearing.
- 2.8. If study abroad is integral to your Programme, but you end up spending 10 (ten) or more weeks with us in any academic year instead of being abroad as planned, you must pay us the full tuition fees for that academic year.
- 2.9. Tuition fees are not charged for placement years with the exception of MSc Project Management in Construction where a fee of £1,700 is payable. All other applicable fees and charges remain payable. Examples of these include travel, health insurance, visas, accommodation etc.
- 2.10. If you believe your tuition fees have been charged or calculated incorrectly, in the first instance you should contact the Fees and Awards Team by email at satuitionfees@salford.ac.uk (clearly marking the email FEE APPEAL) and set out full details. If you are dissatisfied with the outcome, you can ask the Fees and Awards Team to review its decision or formally make a complaint using our Students Complaints Procedure (further information can be accessed via the following link: https://www.salford.ac.uk/askus/topics/admin-essentials/student-and-academic-policies-and-procedures/complaints
- 2.11. If you are funded by a Student Tuition Fee LoanTuition Fee Loan and you wish to transfer to the University of Salford from another higher education institution (or vice versa), you should discuss the financial implications with both institutions before proceeding with the transfer. If you are transferring to us from another institution, the tuition fees you are charged will depend on the date of your transfer. You may be charged a proportion of the tuition fees for the year of transfer, taking into account any tuition fees charged by your previous institution, or you may be liable to pay the full annual programme fee even if your initial institution has charged tuition fees.
- 2.12. If you are transferring academic credit from another institution, you will be advised of any additional modules that you need to take and the applicable fees.

3. Non-payment of tuition fees and charges

- 3.1. Penalties for unpaid tuition fees and other charges include but are not limited to: inability to register or re-register*, withholding of correspondence (including official transcripts*), withholding of final award certificate*, withdrawal or suspension of our library and computing facilities*, Expulsion from your Programme* and refusal to allow attendance at graduation ceremonies (those penalties marked with an asterisk (*) only apply where you have unpaid tuition fees).
- 3.2. We take debt recovery action for unpaid fees. Your account may be referred to a debt collection agency and this may result in legal action being taken against you.
- 3.3. You (or your sponsor) must pay us your fees in full even if you have a complaint against us. If your complaint is upheld under our Complaints Procedure, we will, on the conclusion of the process, pay you any refund or compensation that is awarded.

4. How much is payable/refunded if you interrupt or are suspended or from your studies or expelled your Contract is cancelled

4.1. If you interrupt or are suspended or expelled or your Contract is cancelled, the following tables, which must be read alongside the list of exceptions and notes underneath them, indicate how refunds of tuition fees that you have paid are calculated for each year of study. Please also refer to our Refund and Compensation Policy.

Timing of cancellation, interruption or sanctions of suspension or expulsion*	Percentage of tuition fees you have paid that we will refund
Before the Programme starts or within the first 2 weeks starting on the date the Programme starts	100% less any non-refundable deposit (see below)
After week 2 and before week 13	75 % but less any deduction (see below)
After week 13 and before week 24	50% but less any deduction (see below)
After week 24	0%

- 4.2 If you are studying a full-time undergraduate course that lasts longer than 30 (thirty) weeks and 3 (three) days (such as Nursing) term dates can differ. Your tuition fee charges will be based on the confirmed term dates that were submitted to the Student Tuition Fee Loans Company for each liability period. Please contact satuitionfees@salford.ac.uk or refer to the relevant Student Finance portal [below] for confirmation of these dates:
 - o Student Finance England:- https://www.gov.uk/student-finance-register-login
 - Student Finance Scotland:- https://myportal.saas.gov.uk/saas/login
 - o Student Finance Wales:- https://www.studentfinancewales.co.uk/
 - Student Finance Northern Ireland:- https://www.studentfinanceni.co.uk/

5. List of Exceptions

If we cancel your Programme, then any refund will be in line with our Refunds and Compensation Policy.

С	If you cancel your Contract using your statutory right to do so (see section [6] of our Student Terms and Conditions for Programmes commencing/continuing during the 2025/26 Academic Year) [(14-day Cooling Off Period)], [subject to paragraph 6(c) in the Student Terms and Conditions for Programmes commencing/continuing during the 2025/26 Academic Year,] you will receive a full refund of the tuition fees you have paid less any non-refundable deposit you have paid (see below). If your Programme is one credit bearing module and you cancel, interrupt or are suspended or expelled from that Programme on or after the date on which the Programme starts, no refund will be paid.
D1	If you are studying a postgraduate research programme, no refund will be paid if your Contract is cancelled, or you interrupt, or are suspended or expelled after the eighth month of study in each year. If your contract is cancelled, or interrupted, or you are suspended or expelled before the end of the eighth month, the refund will be calculated by dividing the full tuition fees by 12 and then multiplying them by the number of complete months of study which are left at the date of cancellation, interruption, suspension or Expulsion.
D2	If you are studying a postgraduate taught programme, the following formula will be used to calculate the amount of deduction from your refund if the Programme started 2 or more weeks prior to cancellation, interruption, suspension, or expulsion: A C
	Where: A = 100% of tuition fees you have paid B = 30 (being the total number of study weeks over the year) = the actual number of weeks (or part weeks) that you have studied with us at the time of cancellation, interruption or suspension or expulsion up to a maximum of 20 (twenty) weeks.
Е	If you are a postgraduate research student who arranges an Interruption of Studys prior to writing up your thesis, no refund of tuition fees is payable for the period of the interruption.
F	Tuition fees are not recalculated if you interrupt any module(s).

G	If your Contract is cancelled or you interrupt your studies and you are part self-funded and part funded by the Guernsey Department of Education, States of Jersey or Isle of Man Department of Education and Children, the student/parent contribution to fees will be refunded first. Depending on the timing of cancellation or interruption this may affect your entitlement to a refund, and where you are entitled to one, the amount you receive.
Н	If your Contract is cancelled or you interrupt or are suspended or withdrawn from any block delivery or short programme (55 credits or fewer) before or at any time during any year of study, your full tuition fees for that year of study must be paid.
I	No refund will be paid if your Contract is cancelled, or you interrupt or are suspended or withdrawn from any pre-sessional English programmes.
J	No refund will be paid if your Contract is cancelled, or you interrupt or are suspended or withdrawn from any programme where you have been required to pay upfront in full as a condition of your offer.
К	No part of a Bench Fee is refundable if a postgraduate research student ends their Contract and leaves their studies at any stage or is withdrawn from their studies. For postgraduate research students on interruption, the bench fee will be placed on hold until studies recommence.

- 5.2 If applicable, we will deduct from refunds any non-refundable deposit (see below), scholarships, bursaries, fee discounts and academic related debts.
- 5.3 Refunds will be made in British Pounds Sterling to the person who originally made the payment and by the same method of payment.
- 5.4 We must have received formal notice of cancellation or interruption for refunds to be paid.

6. Deposits paid by international students

- 6.1. Deposits may only be refunded if you meet the criteria specified below:
 - 6.1.1. Deposits are non-refundable if either of the following statements applies:
 - 6.1.2. We find that, during the application process, fraudulent documents (financial or academic) were used or information on previous visa refusals was withheld.
 - 6.1.3. Your deposit is for your first year of study and you have already used our Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies letter to apply for a visa.
 - 6.1.4. If your Contract is cancelled, or you interrupt, or are suspended, or withdrawn from any programme where you have been required to pay upfront in full as a condition of your offer.
- 6.2. If neither of the above statements applies, deposit refunds will be made in any of the following circumstances:

- 6.2.1. You do not meet one or more of the academic conditions set out in the Offer Letter.
- 6.2.2. Your visa application has been refused or rejected by UK Visas & Immigration for any reason other than a fraudulent application*. In this case a copy of the visa refusal notice must be provided. (This only applies to deposits that are paid for the first year of study).
- 6.2.3. The University is no longer able to provide the academic programme for which you accepted the offer of a place, and you do not want to accept a place on any alternative programme offered
- 6.3. If neither of the above statements applies, deposit refunds may also be considered (at our complete discretion) in any of the following exceptional circumstances:
 - 6.3.1. International emergencies (defined by your own government, the World Health Organisation or the UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office or similar) which may prevent you from travelling in time for the last date of arrival for your Programme;
 - 6.3.2. National circumstances in the UK such as pandemics (including but not limited to Coronavirus COVID 19), security crises or similar, which make enrolment impossible or highly unadvisable as defined by the UK Government and/or Public Health England or similar bodies;
 - 6.3.3. Personal emergencies such as your serious illness or a death in your immediate family. Please note that documentary evidence from an official source will be required before a refund can be approved and processed.

5.5. Notes

- 5.5.1. Refunds will be made in British Pounds Sterling to the person who originally made the payment and by the same method of payment.
- 5.5.2. If you cancel your Contract using your statutory right to do so, any non-refundable deposit will be deducted from the refund.
- 5.5.3. An administrative fee of £500 (five hundred pounds) will be deducted from any refund that is due to cover administrative and processing costs.

7. Scholarship, bursaries and awards

- 7.1. Scholarships, bursaries, and awards will cease to be paid if your Contract is cancelled, or you interrupt or are suspended or expelled from your Programme. If, at the time of cancellation, interruption, cancellation, interruption, suspension, or Expulsion, you have already received more by way of scholarship or bursary than you are entitled to, you must return the overpayment.
- 7.2. If you are a sponsored student and your tuition fees are paid in part/full by any external organisation (e.g. embassy, employer or [UK] Government organisation), please note that you are not entitled to any of our scholarships or bursaries with the exception of the loyalty discount which is available to eligible students from September 2022.

8. Repeating/retaking modules

- 8.1 If you fail a module at the first attempt, you may be reassessed in that module without any additional charge.
- 8.2 However, if you fail the reassessment, you will be required to pay the proportion of the tuition fees for the module you retake which is applicable at the time of the retake. This applies to all students, including those studying distance learning programmes.
- 8.3 None of the fee discounts, bursaries or scholarships are available for repeats or retakes.
- 8.4 If you have a Tuition Fee Loan, you are advised to check that you qualify for funding for a retake as funding is dependent on your circumstances and may not be available.

9. Student Tuition Fee Loan

- 9.1 Where you have a Tution Fee Loan from the Student Loans Company (SLC) the following applies:
 - 9.1.1 You will have a separate contract with SLC which it is your responsibility to fulfil.
 - 9.1.2 If you wish to switch programmes, this will need to be agreed both by us and the SLC[, and by any Partner Institution where applicable].
 - 9.1.3 You must register before the end of the registration period and your contract with SLC must be in place for you to do so. If not, you must arrange to complete a recurring card payment authority so that we are paid until your contract is in place.
- 9.2 Any shortfall between your tuition fees/other charges and your Student Tuition Fee Loan must be paid by you in the same way as any self-funding student.
- 9.3 Student Finance will only allow you to switch mode of study e.g. full time to part time, after the first liability date if you have not previously used your Gift Year (your Tuition Fee Loan has 3 liability periods during the academic year. The first liability date is after week 2 of teaching on your Programme). You will need to make a new application to Student Finance for the switch and if they approve this this will use up your Gift Year.
- 9.4 Any students who are eligible prisoners in receipt of a Postgraduate Student Tuition Fee Loan will need to provide confirmation of this to the Income and Treasury Team. Once confirmed payment will be made directly to the University from Student Finance.

10. Sponsored Students

10.1 If you are sponsored by any external organisation (e.g. an embassy or other [UK] Government organisation), your Sponsor must pay each invoice for your tuition fees within 28 (twenty-eight) days starting on the date of issue of such invoice. The option of paying by instalments is not available to Sponsors. Unless you are a degree apprenticeship student, you must pay all outstanding amounts which your Sponsor fails to pay or stops paying.

11. Sources of further information and help

If you want further information about tuition fees, bursaries, and/or online payments, please see the following:

Questions about tuition fees	Please email our Fees & Awards Team: <u>askUS@Salford.ac.uk</u>
Tuition fees for new students	Visit our <u>course finder page</u>
Tuition fees for existing students	Please email our Fees & Awards Team: <u>askUS@Salford.ac.uk</u>
Student Tuition Fee Loans from the Student Tuition Fee Loans Company	Visit <u>Student Finance</u> for information or visit our <u>website</u> for details.
Information about Student Tuition Fee Loans	This can be found on <u>Students Finance's</u> website or on Salford's <u>website</u> .
Information about tuition fees for International Students	Visit our <u>Fees and Funding</u> page
Information from the NHS Business Services Authority about bursaries	Visit NHS website for details.
Information about online payments by debit/credit card or recurring credit or debit card payment	Visit our <u>askUS</u> website for information
To make an online payment by debit/credit card or recur ring credit or debit card payment	Visit our <u>world payment portal</u> to complete this action.
Information about bursaries (home undergraduate)	Our dedicated <u>Undergraduate webpage</u> will give you further details and useful information.
Information about bursaries (home postgraduate)	Our dedicated <u>Postgraduate webpage</u> will give you further details and useful information.
Information about bursaries for international students	Our dedicated <u>International webpage</u> will give you further details and useful information.

12.Glossary of Terms

Bench Fee Cancellation/cancellation of contract	Bench fees cover additional programme costs like specialist laboratory work, field trips and equipment purchase. If there is a bench fee applied to your chosen research degree, this will be confirmed during the application process. The end of your legally binding agreement with the University regarding your programme and your permanent removal from your programme; and cancel, and cancelled shall be construed accordingly.
Confirmation of Acceptance of Studies (CAS)	Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) is an electronic document that generates a reference number you need to be able to apply for a visa. A CAS number confirms to UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) that we wish to sponsor your study in the UK.
Contract	Contract means the contract between you and the University as defined in the applicable terms and conditions.
Expulsion	This is a disciplinary sanction which, where applied, results in a student being permanently removed from his/her/their Programme at the University and the cancellation of the contract between the student and the University. A student who has been withdrawn from the University would never be permitted to study at the University again.
Gift Year	You are normally entitled to funding for the standard length of your course plus one extra year. Student Finance England often refer to this as a 'gift year'. The gift year can be used to fund a full or part year repeat.
Home rate	Tuition Fees are charged at a rate of either 'Home' or 'Overseas (international)'. The level that you pay is determined by your fee status. Students assigned home fee status will pay the home rate of tuition fees. The home fees for all undergraduate and postgraduate taught courses are shown on our course pages. The fee you pay will be confirmed in your offer letter.
Interruption of Study	An interruption of study is where, with our prior agreement, you take a formal break from study for a specific period with the intention to resume study at a future date; and interrupts shall be construed accordingly. Please note that the Student Tuition Fee Loans Company will refer to a break in study as a suspension of study which is distinct from a Suspension of Study as defined below.

Non-Regulated Tuition Fees	Fees that are not regulated by the UK Government and where the university has complete discretion over the fee charged.
Office for Budget Responsibility	The Office for Budget Responsibility (OBR) is an independent, non-departmental public body whose primary role is to provide authoritative and impartial analysis of the UK's public finances.
Overseas rate	Tuition Fees are charged at a rate of either 'Home' or 'Overseas (international)'. The level that you pay is determined by your fee status. Students assigned overseas fee status will pay the international rate of tuition fees. The international fees for all undergraduate and postgraduate taught courses are shown on our course pages. The fee you pay will be confirmed in your offer letter.
Partner Institution	A partner institution refers to a college, university or other organization that collaborates with us to offer educational programmes (generally know as collaborative provision).
Programme	Any and all programmes of study within the scope of the applicable student terms and conditions .
Regulated Tuition Fees	The UK Government sets the fee limits universities and colleges can charge through the Higher Education and Research Act 2017. These limits may change from year to year. Information about which categories of students and courses are covered by regulated fees is set out in regulations made under the Higher Education and Research Act. The current regulations are The Higher Education (Fee Limit Condition) (England) Regulations 2017 (SI 2017/1189).
RPI-X Inflation	The Retail Prices Index is defined as an average measure of change in the prices of goods and services bought for the purpose of consumption by the vast majority of households in the UK. RPIX inflation is a measure that excludes the mortgage interest payments component from the Retail Price Index.
Sponsor	Your sponsor is the organisation that has agreed to fund part or your whole tuition fees. This does not include friends, relatives or bank loans.

Student Loan Company	The Student Loan Company (SLC) is a non-profit organisation in the United Kingdom responsible for administering Student Tuition Fee Loans and grants to eligible students pursuing higher education.
Student Tuition Fee Loan	A Student Tuition Fee Loan covers the cost of the tuition fees charged by the University. It's only available to students studying an eligible undergraduate course. Interest is charged from the day you make a payment to the university. The Student Tuition Fee Loan, plus any interest, has to be paid back but not until you have finished or left your course and your income is over the repayment threshold.

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