UNIVERSITY OF WOLVERHAMPTON



MONEY MATTERS

A guide for UK 'home' undergraduate students starting at the University of Wolverhampton in 2026/2027

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Our tuition fees

We understand that going to university is a significant investment in your future. There are a range of financial options available if you are considering studying with us at the University of Wolverhampton – so we have outlined them all in this handy guide, to help you make an informed choice.

The fees below are for UK 'home' students. If you are an international student then you will find more information on **international fees and costs** online.

TYPE OF COURSE	TUITION FEE PER YEAR
Full-time undergraduate courses (BA, BSc, HND, FD etc.)	£9,790
Accelerated degrees	£11,750 (180 credits)
Sandwich (placement) year	£1,955
Part-time courses	£4,895 (60 credits)
Individual module	£1,632
Classroom-based Foundation Year	£5,760

Fees may vary for some of our courses, and may increase each year in line with inflation, for up-to-date information go to: **wlv.ac.uk/fees**

Find out what's included in your fee at: **wlv.ac.uk/whatisincluded**

Paying tuition fees



GOVERNMENT TUITION FEE LOAN

Eligible students can take out a loan to cover the full tuition fee for each year of the course. When you apply for student finance you will be asked whether you wish to take out the loan and you simply tick yes or no. It is not means-tested on household income so all eligible students can apply.*

If you choose to pay your fees with a tuition fee loan, the money will be paid directly to the University so you will not be asked to pay any tuition fees yourself.

*To be eligible for UK government funding you normally need to have 'settled status' and have lived in the UK for at least three years prior to the start of the course. If you have previously studied at university-level, this can impact on your entitlement to funding. You can normally receive full funding once, for the length of your course plus one additional year if you need to repeat a year.

Contact our friendly Gateway team if you have any questions.

PAYMENT BY INSTALMENTS

If you are planning on paying your tuition fees yourself, there are a range of payment methods available, including setting up a Direct Debit to pay in instalments. Find out more at: **wlv.ac.uk/howtopay**

Funding from Student Finance England

There are several Government grants and loans available to you to help finance the cost of attending university, which you apply for from Student Finance England. The amount of money you receive depends on your individual circumstances and your family's income.

Contact our team who can explain the funding in more detail. For more information on how much money you are likely to receive go to: **gov.uk/student-finance-calculator**

MAINTENANCE LOAN

The maintenance loan is paid for general living costs and the exact amount that you will get depends on where you are living while you are studying, and how much your family earns. The maximum loan you can receive if you live with your parents while studying and they earn less than £25,000 a year is £9,118.

If you are moving to university, or if you're mature student who lives in their own home, then the maximum is £10,830. If you have a disability or are a single parent, you may be entitled to up to £12,345.



WALES, NORTHERN IRELAND OR SCOTLAND

For more information on funding availability and how to apply if you live in Wales, Northern Ireland or Scotland go to:

Wales:
studentfinancewales.co.uk

Northern Ireland:
studentfinanceni.co.uk

Scotland:
saas.gov.uk

The chart shows how much maintenance loan you may be entitled to each year depending on your household income. Household income is normally the gross taxable income of your parent(s) or partner.

Maintenance loan depending on household (as assessed by Student Finance)

Annual family income (based on income from tax year 2024/25 for 26/27)	Loan for living costs If you are living independently (during term-time)	Loan for living costs if you are living with parents (during term-time)	Loan for students eligible for certain benefits, if you are a single parent or have a disability
£25,000 and under	£10,830	£9,118	£12,345
£30,000	£10,058	£8,354	£11,149
£35,000	£9,285	£7,589	£9,953
£40,000	£8,512	£6,825	£8,756
£45,000	£7,739	£6,060	£7,740
£55,000	£6,194	£4,531	£6,194
£65,000 and over	£5,048	£4,013	£5,048

APPLY EARLY!

Make sure you apply for your funding as early as possible. You don't need a confirmed place at university before you apply. Visit: **gov.uk/studentfinance** to apply.

Part-time study

Part-time study allows you to take control of your time and investment, without sacrificing the things that are important to you.

Full-time students study six modules per year, if you study four or fewer then you are classed as part-time. Fees are charged based on how many modules you take each year. One module is £1,632 so three modules would cost £4,895

More information on studying part-time can be found at: **wlv.ac.uk/part-time**

TUITION FEE LOAN

Eligible students can apply for a tuition fee loan to cover the cost of their fees. The loan is paid directly to the University so you will not be asked for any additional money.

MAINTENANCE LOAN

If you are studying for a part-time degree course then you may also be eligible for a means-tested maintenance loan towards your living costs.
The maintenance loan is based on household income and more. Please note that the maintenance loan for part-time student is paid pro-rata depending on how many modules you are studying. So, for example, if you are studying three modules (50%) then you can apply for up to 50% of the maintenance loan.



More information can be found at: **gov.uk/student-finance/parttime-students**

You don't start paying back your loan until four years after the start of the course and only then if you are earning more than the threshold (currently £25,000).

Repaying student loans

For students starting in the 26/27 academic year the current repayment threshold is £25,000 per year. You will start to repay your loan the April after you leave University, but only if you are earning more than the threshold.

Repayments are based on how much you earn, not how much you owe. Interest is added to the loan in line with the cost of living (based on the retail price index) so you only pay back what you have borrowed in real terms.

Student loans are written off after 40 years for anyone who has not earned enough to pay back all their loan.

The table below shows how much you will repay based on how much you go on to earn each year.

Salary	Annual repayment	Monthly repayment
£25,000	£0	£0
£30,000	£450	£37.50
£35,000	£900	£75.00
£40,000	£1,350	£112.50
£50,000	£2,250	£187.50
£60,000	£3,150	£262.50
£70,000	£4,050	£337.50

More information on repaying student loans can be found at:
gov.uk/repaying-your-student-loan

Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA)



Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA) helps pay the essential extra costs you might have as a direct result of your disability, including a long-term health condition, mental-health condition or specific learning difficulty, such as dyslexia. You can get DSA on top of your other student finance and the amount you get depends on your needs. The DSA is a grant not a loan, so you don't have to pay it back.

WHAT CAN DSA HELP TO PAY FOR?

- Specialist equipment, such as a computer
- Non-medical helpers
- Travel costs
- Other disability-related costs of studying

In 2026/2027 the maximum funding available is £27,783. This is for specific support that you need to attend university, and not for general living costs. You may still be eligible for Disability Living Allowance (DLA) or Personal Independence Payment (PIP) to help towards living costs. You will need to confirm this with the benefits agency.

Please note the support may differ for students not resident in England.

The University's Student Life team can answer any questions you have. You can also find out what sort of support is available, and some useful FAQs from applicants on our website, visit: **wlv.ac.uk/spldapp**

It is important to apply for your funding early and to tick the box on the Student Finance England (SFE) application form to say that you wish to apply for DSA. You will need to complete an additional form, have a needs assessment and provide evidence of the support you need which takes time. To make sure all of your support is in place for the start of term, apply early and supply all of the information you are asked for.

Find out more at:
gov.uk/disabled-students-allowance-dsa

ucas.com/student-finance-england/disabled-students-allowance

Grants for students with dependants

If you have children or a partner who is financially dependent on you then you may be entitled to additional support. All the grants below are very tightly means-tested against income. It is important to apply for your funding early so that you know exactly how much money you will have to live on.

PARENTS' LEARNING ALLOWANCE (PLA)

If you are a full-time student with dependent children, the Parents' Learning Allowance (PLA) can provide with up to £2,024 per year. To apply for the PLA you need to tick the box on your student finance application and then send SFE your children's birth certificates and evidence that you receive child benefit or child tax credits for them. More information can be found at:
gov.uk/parents-learning-allowance

CHILDCARE GRANT (CCG)

The childcare grant is paid directly to the childcare provider and will cover up to 85% of actual costs. The maximum that can be paid is £199.62 per week for one child and £342.24 per week for two or more children in childcare. More information can be found at: **gov.uk/**

ADULT DEPENDANTS' GRANT (ADG)

If you have a spouse or partner who is financially dependent on you then you may be able to claim an additional £3,545 towards their costs.
Find out more at:
gov.uk/adult-dependants-grant



Funding for Nursing and Allied Health Professions (AHP) courses



Students on nursing, midwifery and other allied health profession courses, who study in England, can apply for additional support from the NHS as follows:

£5,000 training grant per year for all students

£2,000 for students with dependent children

£1,000 for students studying a shortage specialism

The shortage specialisms have been confirmed as:

- mental health nursing
- learning disability nursing
- podiatry

Search online for "NHS training grant" for more information.

The NHS funding is in addition to the standard student finance. Students must be eligible for the tuition fee loan and the maintenance loan to access the NHS grants.

You need to apply for the standard SFE funding first as you will need to supply evidence you are eligible to apply to the NHS.

If you are studying for a four-year NHS professional course with a foundation year, then you cannot apply for this funding for the foundation year as there are no work placements. You can, however, apply for the standard SFE support.

Bursaries and scholarships

WLV WALLET

All full-time, undergraduate, UK students at the University of Wolverhampton receive the WLV Wallet Bursary in their first and second years. The WLV Wallet bursary can be used to purchase a range of resources to help you make the most of university life, including digital and technology products, stationery, books, mobile data, and much more.

You will receive £200 in your first year and a further £100 in year two. You don't need to apply – you will be sent an email with details of how to access the portal once you have enrolled.
Visit: **wlv.ac.uk/wallet**

There are a number of other targeted bursaries for specific students.

SPORTS ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP

For more information on funding The University offers performance packages for elite athletes, aspiring coaches, match officials and leaders with its Sports Achievement Scholarship.
Visit: **wlv.ac.uk/sportsschol**

ACCESS BURSARY

The Access Bursary is for students who are either care experienced or who are estranged from their parents, or who have deafness or hearing loss.

More information on the support available for students who are care leavers or estranged can be found at:
wlv.ac.uk/care

Information for students with deafness or a hearing impairment can be found at:
wlv.ac.uk/spldapp

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

If you are an international student, then you cannot access any of the standard UK Government funding. The University does provide some support and more information can be found at:
wlv.ac.uk/internationalscholarships

More information on all of the University of Wolverhampton's scholarships and bursaries can be found at:
wlv.ac.uk/scholarships

SOME OF OUR SPORTS SCHOLARS


Jemima Yeats-Brown
Judo


Ramone Josephs
Basketball


Lauren Johnson
Boxing


Edward Vemba
Basketball


Jodie Caller
Judo


Sam Tonks
Football


Faye Alex Njie
Judo


Sophie Masterson
Netball


Eric Ham
Judo


James Mitchell
Rugby


Molly Storey
Judo


Nico Watkins
Rugby



Support while you are at university

DENNIS TURNER HARDSHIP FUND

Any student who is struggling financially can apply for the Dennis Turner Hardship Fund. The fund is to provide short-term help for specific costs. It cannot be used to cover fees, and students need to show they have made reasonable provision for their general living costs. The funds are non-repayable and are targeted to students who are in genuine financial hardship. More information and FAQs can be found at: **wlv.ac.uk/fund**

During these difficult times remember that there is additional Government assistance available. Simply search for "help for households" online for the latest information.

You can also find useful tips and advice on budgeting and managing your finances as a student at: **wlv.ac.uk/budgeting-tips**

PART-TIME WORK

A part-time job can help ease the journey through university and make a useful addition to your CV. Any work that you do alongside your studies doesn't affect your student loans.

The Workplace can help you to find a part-time job that fits in around your studies and can also help with voluntary placements that will also enhance you CV ready for when you graduate.
Visit: **wlv.ac.uk/theworkplace**

Information, advice and guidance



THE GATEWAY

If you have any further questions or would like to make an appointment with an Education Guidance Advisor then you can contact the Gateway team.

We can provide advice and guidance on studying at the University of Wolverhampton as well as information on the funding you are likely to receive based on your personal circumstances.

Call: **01902 321 032** or email: **gateway@wlv.ac.uk** with any questions you have. More information on the services provided can be found at: **wlv.ac.uk/gateway**

Visit: **gov.uk/studentfinance** for information and eligibility criteria for all government grants and loans and how to apply for them.

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