

Student finance 2016 entry

Funding arrangements for new undergraduate UK (home) students

www.manchester.ac.uk/studentfinance

Costs and government support for 2016 entry

At present, we are unable to provide accurate guidance around tuition fees and government support for 2016 entry due to the May 2015 general election. In 2015 we charged £9,000 a year for all our undergraduate home full-time courses. Please note that this may rise for 2016 in line with the government fees cap. The government support offered is likely to include a tuition fee loan to cover the cost of the full tuition fee available to UK and EU students. This is in addition to a maintenance loan available to UK students, based on household income and a non-repayable maintenance grant for UK students who come from low-income families. We will update our information about government support for 2016 entry once this has been confirmed by the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills (BIS). In the meantime, please visit www.gov.uk/student-finance/loans-and-grants for more information about government student finance support.

Cost of living

There are a variety of costs associated with going to university. Travel, accommodation, food, books and resources along with social activities are just some of the things students may wish to spend their money on.

Manchester is consistently shown to be one of the cheapest cities in the UK for students to live. Students in Manchester can enjoy some of the cheapest travel costs and many businesses, services and nightlife venues cater specifically for the student budget.

Living expenses can vary greatly from student to student, however, below is an average monthly and weekly breakdown of typical student spending in Manchester for both catered and self-catered accommodation. It is important to note that these figures are estimates and depending on a student's circumstances, costs may vary.

Estimated living costs (based on 2015/2016 figures)

Costs (based on 40 weeks)	Undergraduate year	Weekly cost
Accommodation (self-catered)*	£4,995	£124.98
Meals (excluding meals out)	£1,525	£38
Course costs excluding tuition fees (varies greatly according to degree programme, for example books and equipment)	£420	
Clothes	£400	
Transport (includes local transport and travelling home/visiting friends)	£450	£7.50 for a weekly bus pass (£300 for a weekly bus pass for 40 weeks). £150 for rail travel home/visiting friends and other travel costs throughout the year Costs may be greater for students commuting from home but they will incur no accommodation costs.
Other (e.g. mobile phone bill, socialising, laundry, photocopying and printing)	£1,600	£40
TOTAL	£9,390	

*For catered accommodation (breakfast and an evening meal on weekdays) add approximately £350 to the annual total.

Useful contacts/resources

The University of Manchester Student Services Centre

tel 0161 275 5000
email funding@manchester.ac.uk

Student Finance England

PO Box 210, Darlington, DL1 9HJ
tel 0300 100 0607
www.gov.uk/student-finance

Student Finance Northern Ireland

tel 0300 100 0077
www.studentfinancenai.co.uk

Student Finance Wales

PO Box 211, Llandudno Junction, LL30 9FU
tel 0300 200 4050
www.studentfinancewales.co.uk

Student Awards Agency for Scotland (SAAS)

Broomhouse Drive, 3 Redheughs Rigg, Edinburgh EH11 3UT
0300 555 0505
www.saas.gov.uk

Information regarding NHS bursaries

NHS Student Bursaries, Ridgway House, Northgate Close, Middlebrook
Horwich, Bolton BL6 6PQ
tel 0300 330 1345
www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/816.aspx

Students currently do not need to pay their tuition fees upfront. Eligible UK (home) and EU students will be able to borrow the full cost of their tuition fee from the government as a tuition fee loan. This money is paid directly to the university on the student's behalf, and students currently only repay this loan once they have finished university and are earning over £21,000 a year.

The University of Manchester support

We want to admit the most talented students, regardless of background or ability to pay. The University is committed to providing support to students from lower income households.

The Manchester Bursary

The Manchester Bursary is available to any student who is registered on an eligible* undergraduate degree course at Manchester and who has had a full financial assessment carried out by Student Finance. This bursary is additional to the government package of support. The Manchester Bursary is available to eligible students, for the duration of their course.

Residual household income	Cash bursary
£0-£25,000	£2,500
Between £25,001 and £35,000	£1,000

*Students are not eligible to receive the Manchester Bursary for any academic year in which they are eligible to receive NHS funding.

Foundation Year Bursaries

The University of Manchester is also offering generous financial support worth up to £5,000 for students enrolling on its foundation 'Year 0' programmes in Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Life Sciences, Science and Engineering. With the aim of facilitating progression directly onto the relevant undergraduate course, these one-year programmes are designed to attract students from diverse educational backgrounds or those without the appropriate qualifications.

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£0-£25,000	£5,000
Between £25,001 and £35,000	£2,000

Undergraduate Access Scholarships

Undergraduate Access Scholarships of £1,000 per year will be awarded to students who have secured a place at the university and meet either of the following criteria:

- They have completed the Manchester Access Programme (MAP) for local post 16 students.
- They are under the age of 25 and are currently, or have been in public care for a minimum of three months.

These awards are generously supported by our alumni community.

'The scholarships and bursaries I've received played a big part in my decision to choose Manchester. They let me concentrate on my course without having to worry about earning extra money to fund my studies.'

Kamran Hussain, School of Law

Financial support for students on a year abroad/year in industry

We want to encourage students to take up opportunities to spend a year abroad or in structured industry placements. Information about our support package for students taking a year abroad/year in industry can be found below.

Study programme	Tuition fee	Household income criteria	Cash bursary
Erasmus work placement	£1,350	£0 - £25,000	£1,350
		£25,001 - £35,000	£675
Study abroad (Erasmus or not)	£1,350	£0 - £25,000	£2,500
		£25,001 - £35,000	£1,000
Work placement UK/abroad (non-Erasmus)	£1,800	£0 - £25,000	£1,800
		£25,001 - £35,000	£900

All of The University of Manchester scholarships and bursaries are subject to approval by the Office for Fair Access in July 2015.

Receiving support from The University of Manchester

Full-time home students do not need to apply for Manchester's bursaries separately, but should ensure that they consent to share their financial details with the University when making their student finance application. The Student Services Centre at the University will then be able to automatically identify students who are eligible for University of Manchester support.

The University of Manchester bursaries are paid in three instalments – 25% in December, 50% in February and 25% in April.

Applying for and receiving government support

Student Finance England

All applications for Student Finance (including the tuition fee loan, the maintenance loan and the maintenance grant) are made online.

Students in England apply via Student Finance England at www.gov.uk/apply-online-for-student-finance. Students should apply early for Student Finance to make sure that their funding is in place at the start of their course. Students do not need to have a confirmed place at university to apply for their funding. They should use their first choice of course and university and this can be changed online at a later date if required.

Students from outside of England should contact the Student Loans agency for their home country. See Useful contacts/resources for more details.

Money advice for students at The University of Manchester

At the University of Manchester, we are committed to providing financial support and advice to students, once they begin studying here. Students who are eligible for scholarships and bursaries can choose how they spend this money as they receive this in cash.

The University has a dedicated service to support students in a wide variety of ways. This service includes financial advice in the form of a student money adviser. Students can book appointments to receive financial advice that is specific to their situation and receive advice and guidance around budgeting. For more information, see www.manchester.ac.uk/studentmoneyadviser.