

## STUDENT FINANCE

### UNDERGRADUATE

#### **NEW ENTRANTS FROM ENGLAND, WALES & NORTHERN IRELAND & CHANNEL ISLANDS, REGISTERING IN 2015/16**

#### **Why has the University introduced higher fees for students from the rest of the UK (RUK)?**

From academic year 2012/13, universities will no longer receive public funding to meet the costs of teaching new entrant students from England, Wales or Northern Ireland. Higher tuition fees have therefore had to be introduced to meet the costs of teaching these students. The Scottish Government has announced its intention to cap the cost that universities can charge at £9000 or less per academic year.

#### **How much do I pay as a new entrant on an Honours degree programme that is advertised as being wholly on campus with duration of 4 or 5 years?**

(excluding Medicine & Dentistry programmes)

£9000 is payable for each year of study prior to the final Honours year. There is no charge in the first attempt of the final honours year.

Most students who register for a **4 year honours** programme and who progresses from Level 1 – 4 in the minimum time will therefore pay £27,000, but students who are required to repeat a year of study will also be required to pay fees for the repeat year.

Most students who register for a **5 year honours** programme and who progresses from Level 1 – 5 in the minimum time will pay £36,000 but students who are required to repeat a year of study will also be required to pay fees for the repeat year.

#### **How much do I pay on the Medicine and Dentistry programmes?**

Students who register for the 4 year **Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS)** programme or the 5 year **MBChB** programme pay for every year of study. Students who progress from Level 1 – 4 in the minimum time for the BDS programme will be charged £36,000 and students who progress from Level 1 – 5 in the minimum time for the MBChB programme will be charged £45,000. Students who are required to repeat a year of study will also be required to pay fees for the repeat year.

#### **How much do I pay if I decide to take the Intercalated BSc Medical Sciences degree midway through the MBChB programme?**

There will be no charge.

#### **How much do I pay on a 3 year designated programme?**

£9000 is payable for each year of study. The usual amount payable by a student who registers for a 3 year designated degree is £27,000 but it will be more for any student who is required to repeat a year or half year of study.

#### **How much do I pay on the 1 year PGDE Teaching programme?**

£9000 is payable.

#### **How much do I pay as a direct entrant with advanced standing?**

£9000 is payable for each year of study. By the time a student reaches the final honours year, they must have paid at least £27,000 before they can qualify for one free honours year. In these circumstances, normally only direct entrants to Level 2 of a 5 year honours programme (with the exception of the BDS & MBChB) could qualify for a free honours year.

**How much do I pay for an Industrial Placement, Language Assistant, ERASMUS or an elective (non compulsory) Exchange Year Abroad?**

The year spent off campus will be free but you will be charged for the remaining years of your study (3x£9000 for a 4 year programme; 4x£9000 for a 5 year programme).

**Can you give examples of how fees will be charged for the duration of my programme of study?**

This table should simplify the fee structures for our various degree options:-

Programme	Annual Charge	Off Campus Charge	Free Year	Total Payable
3 Year Designated	3 x £9000	N/A	No	£27,000
Advanced Standing (Direct 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year entry)	3 x £9000	N/A	No	£27,000
4 Year Honours (wholly on-campus)	3 x £9000	N/A	4th Year	£27,000
5 Year Honours (wholly on-campus)	4 x £9000	N/A	5th Year	£36,000
4 Year Honours with year off-campus	3 x £9000	Free	Off Campus Year	£27,000
5 year Honours with year off-campus	4 x £9000	Free	Off Campus Year	£36,000
4 Year Honours with half year off-campus	3 x £9000	Free	Off Campus Year	£27,000
5 Year Honours with half year off-campus	4 x £9000	Free	Off Campus Year	£36,000
MBChB	5 x £9000	N/A	No	£45,000
Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS)	4 x £9000	N/A	No	£36,000
BSc Medical Sci (MBChB intercalated)	Free	N/A	1 Year Programme	£45,000 (MBChB Fee)
PGDE 1 year programme	£9,000	N/A	N/A	£9,000
Any year of repeat study	£9,000	N/A	N/A	£9,000

**What if I have to repeat a year of study?**

£9000 is payable for each year of study. The only year we do not charge for is the first attempt at a final honours year of a 4 or 5 year honours programme (excluding students who have been on a study abroad period).

**I was due to start my study in September 2011, but decided to defer and start a year later in 2012. How much do I pay?**

Students who agreed to defer their offer of a place of admission in the 2011/12 academic year before 31 July 2011 and register for the 2012/13 academic year will be charged annually at the lower rate of fees for "continuing students". The tuition fee rates are published here <http://www.abdn.ac.uk/registry/tuitionfees/Undergrad2012.shtml>

**How much do I pay if I register as an undergraduate part-time student?**

If you study 75 credits or less over the full academic year, you are regarded as a part-time student. The part-time tuition fee is charged on a pro rata basis (£75 per credit). The cost will be £5625 if you register for the maximum 75 credits.

### **What if I register as a full-time undergraduate student and then drop to part-time study midway through my programme of study?**

If you register for 45 credits or less in either half session, you will pay the pro rata fee (see above). The half session that you study full time will be charged at £4500 (50% of full-time fee rate).

### **How do I pay?**

Tuition fees are payable at the start of each academic year. If you are personally liable for payment of tuition fees we offer a payment plan which allows you to pay tuition fees in 4 instalments. You are required to pay 50% at registration with a further 3 equal instalments payable in October, November and December.

### **Are there any scholarships available?**

A list of available Scholarships can be found here: <http://www.abdn.ac.uk/undergraduate/finance.php>

### **What if I withdraw from study?**

All new students should read the University's Refund Policy which can be found at <http://www.abdn.ac.uk/registry/tuitionfees/Refund.shtml>. Students who are funded through Student Finance Loans should read the Policy carefully so that they are fully aware that they could still be liable to make a personal payment towards tuition fees depending on the date of withdrawal.