

Paying Fees

All students paying their own fees will be expected to pay in full if the course is 10 weeks or less otherwise they will be required to make a £100 contribution to the enrolment fee at the time they enrol, or the full balance if this is less than £100. Please note that if no fees are payable on your course, you will not be expected to make a payment at enrolment.

You can:

- Pay total fee at enrolment - you can pay by credit/debit card or cheque
 - Make an initial payment, and then pay the balance within two weeks
 - Make an initial payment, and then pay the remaining balance by direct debit instalments. Visit wmc.ac.uk/financial-support for details of instalments.
- (Failure to meet a direct debit instalment will result in the full balance of fees becoming due immediately.)

Students whose fees are sponsored by employers, Student Loans Company, agents, local authorities or other organisations must provide written evidence of this at enrolment. The written evidence (e.g. letter) must contain contact details of who will pay the fees, and the address to which the invoice will be sent. In the absence of this evidence, the enrolling student will be liable for fees. When an employer or other agency agrees to pay these fees, they become liable for them in full.

Non-Payments of fees:

Once your enrolment has been processed you are liable for any fees and payment will be expected. In the event that the college cancels your course, any monies paid will be refunded.

The following sanctions may be applied to students who do not pay their fees:

- Restricted access to college facilities e.g. college IT network or Learning Resource Centres
- Future enrolment on Wirral Met College courses refused
- Legal action to recover outstanding debt
- Withdrawal from the course
- Refused entry to exams

Once outstanding debts have been referred to our debt collection agency, an administration charge of 16% is applied and any right of appeal against the debt is forfeited.

Examination and registration fees:

If you do not attend an examination for which the college has paid examination/registration fees on your behalf, the college may invoice you for the cost of the examination.

Additional costs:

It may be necessary for you to pay for other costs e.g. overalls, protective clothing, specialist equipment or residential fees.

Our refund policy is as follows:

Fees are payable in full for any college term where the student has attended one or more sessions.

Refund requests supported by a medical certificate will be treated on a case by case basis and should be sent to:

The Fee Appeals Unit, Wirral Met College,
Wirral Waters Campus, Tower Road,
Birkenhead, CH41 1AA



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Fees & Discounts 2020-21

For students aged 19 plus

Please note: This information may be updated for the academic year 2020-2021, should funding stipulations change.



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Fees & Discounts

Please use this guide to find out which fees and discounts you are eligible for. If you have any queries please contact our Student Services team who will be able to accurately assess your fee-paying status. Fees are payable before your course starts.

Provision	19-23	24+ unemployed	24+ other
English & maths up to and including level 2	FREE	FREE	FREE
Essential digital skills up to and including level 1	FREE	FREE	FREE
Entry level and level 1 courses	FREE if you earn less than £18,525 or you are unemployed and in receipt of an eligible benefit or fee payable if you earn more than £18,525	FREE	FREE if you earn less than £18,525 or fee payable if you earn more than £18,525
Level 2 courses, regardless of whether you have already achieved a full level 2 qualification	FREE	FREE	FREE if you live in the Liverpool City Region (Liverpool, Halton, Knowsley, Sefton, St Helens and Wirral) Students who live outside the LCR, may need to pay fees, please check with Student Services
Level 3 courses	FREE if this is your first full level 3 qualification i.e. equivalent to 2 A Levels or fee payable*	Fee payable*	Fee payable*
ESOL - learning up to and including level 2 qualification	FREE if you earn less than £18,525 or you are unemployed and in receipt of an eligible benefit or fee payable if you earn more than £18,525	FREE	FREE if you earn less than £18,525 or fee payable if you earn more than £18,525

*If you are aged 24 plus, or this course is not your first full level 3 course, an Advanced Learner Loan may be available for eligible courses. If you decide not to get a loan or no loan is available, you will have to pay for the full course fee.

Our fees at Wirral Met College include tuition and examination fees unless otherwise stated. This leaflet applies to online and classroom-based courses starting after 1 December 2020. Please note that overseas students should contact Student Services for information about fees as this leaflet may not apply. Further information is available from Student Services (0151 551 7777) or at wmc.ac.uk/financial-support. For students aged 19+, funding is provided by the Liverpool City Region (LCR) Combined Authority's (CA) Adult Education Budget. This leaflet does not apply to Higher Education (HE) students studying courses funded by the Office for Students (OFS) or courses designated as full cost. Students aged 19-24 with an Education Health Care Plan at the start of their course will not pay fees for the duration of the course. If you do not fall into one of the above criteria you will need to pay towards your course. Advanced Learner Loans are available through the Student Loans Company (SLC) for students aged 19 and above who have fees to pay on eligible courses. Household income is not taken into account and there are no credit checks. Further details are available on the SLC website, visit gov.uk/advanced-learning-loan. Accepted proof of identity includes: debit/credit card, NI card or letter, driving licence, photo ID card / national ID, passport and proof of eligibility to benefits.