

Full-Time Courses

- **If your home is in Scotland**, your tuition fees are normally paid by the Students Awards Agency for Scotland (SAAS) and you can apply for a student loan to help you with your living expenses. For full details visit www.saas.gov.uk
- If you are classed as being ordinarily resident in **England, Wales or Northern Ireland** you will be required to pay **tuition fees** for each year of your course. Please visit the undernoted <https://www.gov.uk/student-finance> if you live in England
www.studentfinancewales.co.uk if you live in Wales
www.studentfinancenir.co.uk if you live in Northern Ireland
- **If your residual family income is £25,000 or less** each year a UHI RUK bursary may apply, visit <http://www.uhi.ac.uk/en/studying-at-uhi/first-steps/how-much-will-it-cost/funding/ruk-bursary>
- **If you are EU national or a national from outside the EU**
For details visit: www.saas.gov.uk international students visit www.uhi.ac.uk/international

Please visit the UHI website for more information on undergraduate funding:

<http://www.uhi.ac.uk/en/studying-at-uhi/first-steps/how-much-will-it-cost/funding>

Part-Time Courses

Normally you are responsible for your course fees. However, in some circumstances it may be possible to receive help towards the cost of your part-time study as indicated below:

SAAS Part Time Fee Grant

It may be possible to use funding from a SAAS Part-Time fee Grant (PTFG) to pay for or contribute towards course fees. In order to be eligible individuals must be over 16, ordinarily resident in Scotland, earning less than £25,000 per year, studying a part-time Higher Education course (e.g. HNC and above) at levels 7-10 of the Scottish Credit Qualifications Framework (SCQF) and completing between 30-119 SCQF credits per academic year and not receiving support from any other government scheme. For details visit <https://www.saas.gov.uk/forms/forms-all>
<https://www.saas.gov.uk/funding/part-time/funding-undergraduate>
https://www.saas.gov.uk/part_time/index.htm

SDS Individual Training Accounts (ITA)

You could receive up to £200 towards a single course or training episode per year. ITA funding could be right for you if you are:

- 16 or over, not in education or involved in any other SDS funded programme
- Unemployed and looking to get back into work
- Employed in a low-income job and looking to progress your career
- Resident in Scotland

For more information visit: <https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/learn-and-train/sds-individual-training-accounts-ita>

Employment

If students are in employment, their employer may be willing to sponsor them and make a contribution towards their fees.

Self-Funding

Students who pay for their own course fees will be issued with an invoice for the full course fee at the point of enrolment or as soon as possible thereafter.

Payment of Fees

The payment of fees is the responsibility of the student. In the event of a student's sponsoring authority (eg SAAS, employer or other funder or a parent or guardian) failing to make payment, the student will be held personally liable for payment. Any student having financial difficulties in paying fees or other costs relating to studying at the university should contact Student Funding on 01856 569202 / OCRevenue@uhi.ac.uk

Postgraduate Funding

Eligible full time Scottish domiciled students can access loans up to £10,000 from Student Awards Agency for Scotland (SAAS) (£5,500 tuition fee loan) (£4,500 non income assessed living cost loan). If the total tuition fee charge is higher than the total £5,500, the student has to pay the difference, and if it is less, the student will only be allowed to borrow the actual amount of the tuition fee.

Part-time students are eligible to receive the fee loan element only which would be paid to the academic institution over two years. Part time students are not eligible for living cost loans.

SAAS will provide tuition fee loans, living cost loans and DSA support for eligible students undertaking eligible Research Masters courses. See the following for further details:

https://www.saas.gov.uk/forms_and_guides/postgraduate.htm

<https://news.gov.scot/news/access-to-financial-support-for-students-expanded>

Postgraduate students in receipt of SAAS tuition fee loans will be liable for repayment of the full loan to SAAS if they withdraw (or change mode of study from full time to part time) after 1 December. Those who withdraw before 1 December will not be liable for tuition fees but will incur a £100 administrative charge.

If you are from the rest of the UK and meet the eligibility requirements you may be able to apply for tuition fee and living cost support from the relevant funding body :

Students from England: <https://www.gov.uk/postgraduate-loan>

Students from Wales: <https://www.studentfinancewales.co.uk/postgraduate-students/postgraduate-master-s-finance.aspx>

Students from Northern Ireland: <https://www.studentfinancenir.co.uk/types-of-finance/postgraduate/northern-ireland-student/#main>

Students from countries in the EU/EEA: <https://www.saas.gov.uk/full-time/eu-student-funding-full-time>

Students from a country outside the EU/EEA it is likely that you will be classed as an international student and will have to pay international student fees.

Please visit the UHI website for more information on postgraduate funding:

<http://www.uhi.ac.uk/en/studying-at-uhi/first-steps/how-much-will-it-cost/tuition-fees-postgraduate>

Student Support – Discretionary and Childcare Funds

HE Discretionary Fund

The fund is intended to provide financial help to students whose access to or continuance in higher education may be inhibited by financial considerations. It can be used to assist to fund accommodation, travel, living costs, etc for students who can demonstrate that they are in genuine hardship.

HE Childcare Fund

This fund is for childcare only. The childcare must be registered.

Application forms for the above funds are available from Orkney College's Reception and from the website

[Bursaries and scholarships - Higher Education Discretionary Fund \(uhi.ac.uk\)](#)

The information contained in this leaflet offers a general guidance only and is subject to external guidelines and rules and may therefore be subject to change.