

1. Introduction

- 1.1. This policy provides a framework for the setting, payment and collection of Bangor University tuition fees and other tuition-related fees.
- 1.2. This policy covers:
 - Governance of and the setting of tuition fees;
 - Tuition fee amounts and the period to which they apply;
 - Payments & refunds;
 - Tuition fee and related debt management;

- 2.3. In exceptional circumstances, the Chair of the Finance & Planning Strategy Group can approve actions outside of formal meetings. These actions are formally noted and reported to the Finance & Planning Strategy Group at the next available meeting.
- 2.4. No fees can be varied or changed other than by the approved routes detailed above and all tuition fees are subject to scrutiny by the Finance & Planning Strategy Group and the Executive.
- 2.5. There are some instances where fees may not be charged at the published rate which do not require the approval of the Finance & Planning Strategy Group (or its Chair) if they can be sufficiently evidenced by the Head of School/Department, to the Corporate Data team who have responsibility for tuition fee invoicing:
 - 2.5.1. Externally funded students where the funder will only fund at the Home fee level regardless of the residency status of the student;
 - 2.5.2. Where the fee has been costed as part of an externally funded research grant/contract and agreed through the relevant governance and approval processes.

3. Setting Tuition Fees

- 3.1. The University reviews its fees and fee policy annually.
- 3.2. Tuition fees may be subject to annual increases, where permissible, reflecting increases in costs of delivery, and will be available on the [University website](#).
- 3.3. The Welsh Government determines the statutory fee cap for undergraduate and Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE) programmes for home students. The University sets both full and part-time fees to reflect this maximum applicable fee cap, as defined in its annual [Fee and Access Plan](#), agreed with the [Higher Education Funding Council for Wales](#) (HEFCW). Fees may be revised, if permitted and where necessary, in line with the relevant statutory fee caps, however, the University will not raise the fee for any credits or programmes during an academic year, or once the fees for an academic year have been published.
- 3.4. The University reserves the right to amend its fees following appropriate internal scrutiny and consultation. Changes will only be made as allowed by the terms of this policy and the other University Regulations. Students on programmes where whole duration fees are published, or where year-on-year fee increases are specified in advance, will not be subject to additional fee changes during the programme of their registration, unless a break in study occurs. For programmes where the fees are set by the UK or Welsh Governments, the increased fee amount will be published as soon as possible after approval by the respective government.

5. New and Continuing Students

- 5.1. A 'new student' is defined as any of the following: -
 - 5.1.1. a student starting a new programme at the University in the current academic year.
 - 5.1.2. a student starting a new programme at the University in the current academic year where the programme is at a different level (e.g. postgraduate, not undergraduate) from any programme taken during the previous academic year.

- 8.3. Tuition fee amounts may differ between programmes at the same level, and a student will be charged the fee appropriate to the programme on which they are registered. In the case of students transferring from one programme to another during the academic year, where the fees charged for the second programme are different to the fee charged for the first, the student would be required to pay the fee appropriate to the new programme. In such cases, students will either be required to pay the difference, or may be entitled to a refund, depending on any outstanding charges due fo

