

COLLEGE FEE POLICY 2023/2024

This table explains the college fees that students will have to pay (if any), for courses delivered on site.

	Free	Co-funded fee	Full Fee
Aged Under 16			✓
Aged 16,17 or 18	✓		
Fully Funded adults			
Aged 19+ for learning aims up to & including level 2, if meet criteria set out below under fully funded	✓		
Entry Level or Level 1 for students aged 19-23 , if learner needs prior learning accreditation to step up to a full level 2.	✓		
Level 2 Entitlement Aged 19-23 without a full level 2 qualification and studying towards a full level 2.	✓		
Level 3 Entitlement Aged 19-23 without a full level 3 qualification and studying towards a full level 3 (for qualifying courses)	✓		
Level 4 Jumpers Aged 19-23 and studying 1 st level 4 or above without having achieved a 1 st level 3 qualification (for qualifying courses)	✓		
WMCA fully funded course or National Skills Priority Course, with no previous full L3 qualification. See further details on WMCA below.*	✓		
Co Funded adults			
Aged 19+ resident outside WMCA region and earning £20,319+ studying ESOL		✓	
Aged 24+ resident outside WMCA region and earning £20,319+ studying Entry Level or Level 1		✓	
Entry level for individuals 19-23 who have attained a full level 2 or above		✓	
Full level 2 learning aim if aged 24 and over		✓	
A full level 2 learning aim for learners aged 19-23 who have achieved level 2 or above.		✓	
For learners aged 19+, Level 2 qualification not classified as full and delivered in classroom		✓	
Not Funded			
Aged 19-23 resident outside WMCA region level and earning £20,319+ having previously achieved level 3, studying a level 3 learning aim			✓
Aged 24 resident outside WMCA region level and earning £20,319+ and above and on level 3 or above course			✓
All ages (overseas) prior to enrolment refer to International office			✓ Int. Fees
Aged 19+ (university funded) HND & HNC refer to HE office			✓ HE Fee

Appendix 1

Fully Funded Learners for learning aims up to level 2

- Receiving Jobseekers allowance(JSA)
- Receiving Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- Receiving Universal Credit because they are unemployed and mandated (required) to take skills training.
- Learners studying English and Maths learning aims (List of qualifications will be provided)
- Unemployed and receiving any state benefits not listed above but want to enter into employment and believe skills training will help them do so.
- Offenders in custody who are released on a temporary licence

Tuition fees are charged at *50% of Listed Rate* for co-funded students and for students who pay full fee, the Full Listed Rate or £5.20 per hours if this is not known is charged. The maximum amount a student can pay in a year is capped at £1,800 for a co-funded student and £3,600 for a student who pays the full fee. These rates can be varied for individual courses with agreement of the Assistant Principal: Finance.

HE fee is £6,165 for full time programmes and £4,650 for part time courses. Fees of up to £9250.00 for full time courses and up to £5,000 for part time courses can be charged for BCU franchised courses. HE fees can be varied with the agreement of the Assistant Principal: Finance.

***West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA)**

The following applies to students whose home postcode is in the WMCA region when they start learning:

WMCA Skills Programmes funding contribution for 19- to 23-year-old

There is no fee for 19-to-23-year-olds studying Level 3 qualifications.

There are fees for Level 4 and above qualifications, which may be loan funded.

WMCA Skills Programmes funding contribution for 24+-year-old learners

There is no fee for English and Maths, up to and including level 2 – where the student has not achieved GCSE grade c/level 4 or above.

Essential Digital Skills

There is no fee for all learners on Essential Digital Skills Qualifications up to and including level 1.

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WMCA Residents in receipt of low wage.

There are no fees for 'Employed' WMCA residents if they earn less than £30,000 per annum for qualifying courses. Students must provide evidence of gross annual wages in these circumstances. This could be a wage slip within three months of the resident's learning start date, a bank statement showing the paid amount or a current employment contract that states gross monthly/annual wages.

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)

There is no fee for individuals aged 19 and over on the day they start their ESOL learning aim where they are unemployed and meet the eligibility criteria set. Where residents are employed, the low wage flexibility applies.