

Leicester Fees and Finance



Fees and Funding for 2012

Going to university is a fantastic investment in your future.

At Leicester we're committed to providing our students with an inspirational education from one of Britain's top universities.

Studying for a degree from Leicester will provide a stepping stone to a great career. But it will also be a personal and life-changing experience offering exciting opportunities and new perspectives.

We're proud to be a university that has an inclusive academic culture. We're determined to attract the brightest and best students regardless of background and are investing over £8m in a programme of scholarships for new students. This leaflet contains information about fees, Government support and details of how our scholarship scheme will operate.

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University of Leicester Tuition Fees and Scholarships

University of Leicester Tuition Fees

What tuition fee will the University of Leicester charge for 2012?

The fee for full-time undergraduate degrees will be £9,000 per year.

What will this fee be used for?

Your tuition fee will be invested in all the elements that make the Leicester experience a great one – the main element is the teaching you will receive.

You will benefit from the continued expansion of our world-class facilities – in the last few years we've spent over £50m on a new Library and a new Students' Union. Our commitment to our students is reflected in some of the highest student satisfaction rates in the country according to the National Student Survey (see www.unistats.ac.uk).

We're also investing in our award winning Careers Service so you will get the maximum support in achieving your full potential when you graduate.

Compulsory fieldwork and equipment costs for core modules of your course, will be included in this fee.

How do I pay the fee?

Students and parents do not pay anything up front. You can take out a Tuition Fee Loan from the Government to cover the cost of the tuition fee each year.

Part-time students are also entitled to take out a loan. See page 6 for more details.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Office for National Statistics has found that someone with a degree earns over £12,000 a year more than someone who hasn't been to university.

University of Leicester Scholarships

Our generous scholarship arrangements for UK and EU students reflect our aim of recruiting the brightest and best students regardless of background.

We offer three kinds of scholarships. You can only receive one of the scholarship packages.

1) The Chancellor's Scholarship

What is it?

The Chancellor's Scholarship is a £2,000 scholarship awarded as a contribution to your tuition fee each year from the University – a total scholarship of £6,000 over your course.

Who is it for?

All UK and EU* students who achieve at least:

- AAA in their three best A-levels, excluding General Studies, or
- 36 points in the International Baccalaureate, or
- DDD in BTEC National Diploma, or
- Equivalent in a European qualification. Please check www.le.ac.uk/fees regularly for further information.

The Chancellor's Scholarship is available for all subjects apart from Medicine.

*Students from Wales are ineligible for this Scholarship. Please see Small Print, section 1 for further information (page 8).

Applying for and Receiving the Chancellor's Scholarship

You **do not** need to apply for the Chancellor's Scholarship. We will look at your academic performance in considering your eligibility. We will let you know of your award once we receive confirmation of your results.

2) Departmental Scholarship

What is it?

The Departmental Scholarship is a £1,250 scholarship awarded as a contribution to your tuition fee each year from the University – a total scholarship of £3,750 over your course.

Who is it for?

All UK and EU* students who achieve:

- A certain standard in their three best A-levels, excluding General Studies (see table on the right), or
- At least 32 points in the International Baccalaureate, or
- At least DDM in BTEC National Diploma, or
- An Access to HE Course, or
- Equivalent in a European qualification. Please check www.le.ac.uk/fees regularly for further information.

The Departmental Scholarship is available for all subjects apart from Medicine.

*Students from Wales are ineligible for this Scholarship. Please see Small Print, section 1 for further information (page 8)

For other qualifications, please contact the Admissions Office, admissions@le.ac.uk

For joint courses, refer to the department that is named first in the degree title.

Applying for and Receiving the Departmental Scholarship

You **do not** need to apply for the Departmental Scholarship. We will look at your academic performance in considering your eligibility and notify you of the award. We will let you know of your award once we receive confirmation of your results.



A-level grades required to receive Departmental Scholarship

American Studies	ABB
Archaeology & Ancient History	ABB
Biological Sciences	AAB
Chemistry	BBB
Communications, Media & Society	ABB
Computer Science	BBB
Criminology	ABB
Economics	AAB
Engineering	BBB
English	AAB
Film Studies & the Visual Arts	ABB
Geography	ABB
Geosciences	ABB
Historical Studies	AAB
History of Art	ABB
Interdisciplinary Science	ABB
Law	–
Management Studies	AAB
Mathematics	AAB
Medical Biochemistry / Genetics / Microbiology / Physiology	AAB
Modern Languages	ABB
Physics & Astronomy	ABB
Politics & International Relations	ABB
Psychology	AAB
Sociology	ABB

N.B. Law students attaining the 2012 entry requirement of AAA will receive the Chancellor's Scholarship. Departmental Scholarships are available in Law for students with other qualifications listed above.

For A-level equivalents, please see table below.

A-level grade equivalents

AAB = A*BB / A*AC

ABB = AAC / A*BC

BBB = A*CC / ABC

Note that A-level grade D or below will not count towards a scholarship award.

3) University of Leicester National Scholarship Programme

What is it?

This is an annual award of £1,000 cash plus a £2,000 contribution to your tuition fee each year from the University. The Leicester National Scholarship Programme is available for all subjects – a total scholarship of £9,000 over your course.

Who is it for and How do I apply?

We have a limited number of NSP Scholarships available for students from England with academic ability and potential. The application process will open in March 2012.



1. We will send you an email inviting you to apply online once you have made the University your firm choice. This email will be sent from March 2012 onwards. The closing date for applications will be 16 June 2012.
2. You must have applied for support from the Government in order to be eligible for an NSP scholarship (see page 6 for further information). Your parent, guardian or spouse must also tick the 'Consent to Share' box so we can assess your application.
3. After the closing date we will consider your application with all the others we have received using the following criteria.
 - a. Your household circumstances – your household income must be less than £25,000. Please see below for further details.
 - b. Where you live
 - c. Your academic achievement
 - d. Your academic background, which includes where you went to school
4. We will provisionally let you know the outcome of your application at the end of July 2012. Final confirmation will follow once your household income has been verified.
5. We will then deduct £2,000 from your tuition fee each year of your course. You will also receive £1,000 cash in the February of each academic year.
6. If your application is unsuccessful, you will automatically be considered for one of our other scholarship awards.

Please note that this scholarship is not available for students on the Foundation Year, or students who make us their insurance choice.

Student Finance England Rules for Assessing Household Income

Dependent Students (under 25)

If you are under 25 years old on 1 October 2012 (the first day of the 2012/13 academic year) and do not meet any of the criteria for independent students listed on the right, Student Finance England will take into account the income of your parents or adoptive parents.

If your parents are divorced or separated, only the income of one will be assessed. However the income of any new spouse, civil partner or live-in partner will be included in the assessment.

Student Finance England will also take into account whether there are any other dependents in your family (i.e. brothers or sisters).

Independent Students (25 or older)

If you are aged 25 or older on 1 October 2012 (the first day of the 2012/13 academic year), Student Finance England will look at your own income and the income of your spouse or civil partner, if you have one.

You are also classed as independent if you:

- Are married
- Have children
- Are a care leaver or have no parents
- Have supported yourself for at least three years

For more information see

www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance

Financial Support from the Government

As well as the University of Leicester scholarships, financial support is available from the Government for Tuition Fees and Living Costs.

Tuition Fees

You do not have to pay your tuition fee up front. All Home/EU students, irrespective of household circumstances, can take out a Tuition Fee Loan, which covers the cost of the tuition fee for each year of your course.*

Because it is a loan, you do have to repay it. You will start paying the money back the April following your graduation, if you are earning at least £21,000 per year. A guide to the amounts you pay back each month is illustrated in the table on the right.

Interest will be charged on the loan as soon as you take it out. The amount of interest is on a sliding scale from the rate of inflation, up to inflation plus 3%. This means graduates on lower salaries will be charged less interest than those on higher salaries.

After 30 years, all outstanding debt will be written off and repayments will stop.

*Alternative arrangements are in place for students from Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. (See box on the right)

Salary	Amount above £21,000	Monthly repayment
£21,000	£0	£0
£22,000	£1,000	£7.50
£25,000	£4,000	£30.00
£30,000	£9,000	£67.50
£40,000	£19,000	£142.50

How Your Residency Affects Your Eligibility For Student Support

Your eligibility for support depends on where you live.

Most information detailed in this booklet refers to students living in England and non-UK EU countries.

There are different arrangements for students living in Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

The following websites provide detailed information about support available

www.direct.gov.uk if you are living in England or a non-UK EU country

www.studentfinancewales.co.uk if you are living in Wales

www.saas.gov.uk if you are living in Scotland

www.studentfinancenl.co.uk if you are living in Northern Ireland



Living Costs

If you are moving away from home to Leicester, you will need to think about living costs. Costs will include accommodation, food, books and equipment, societies, clothes, travel and entertainment.

There are two main forms of financial support for Home students from the Government that can help you manage your living costs:

Maintenance Loan

The Government offers a Maintenance Loan of up to £5,288 per year. The maximum amount you can receive depends on your household income. Please see the table below for a summary of Government support available.

This loan is in addition to the Tuition Fee Loan and is repaid in the same manner.

Maintenance Grant

The Government also offers a non-repayable grant of up to £3,250. The amount you can receive depends on your household income. Students from families with incomes up to £25,000 will be entitled to the full grant of £3,250. Students from families with incomes up to £42,000 will be entitled to a partial grant.

Please see the table below for a summary of Government support available for students from England. Grant and loan levels are different for students from Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

Household Income	Grant	Loan	TOTAL
£25,000 or less	£3,250	£3,875	£7,125
£30,000	£2,341	£4,330	£6,671
£35,000	£1,432	£4,784	£6,216
£40,000	£523	£5,239	£5,762
£45,000	£0	£5,288	£5,288
£50,000	£0	£4,788	£4,788
£55,000	£0	£4,288	£4,288
£60,000	£0	£3,788	£3,788
Over £62,500	£0	£3,575	£3,575

Additional Information

Mature students

Mature students are eligible for the same support as other students. Where assistance is means tested (Maintenance Loan and Maintenance Grant), the income of you and your partner is assessed.

Other Assistance

If you have children, a physical disability or learning difficulty, there is a range of financial support from the Government to which you may be entitled. To find out more visit www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance

When and How do I Apply for Government Support?

You must apply each year for the Tuition Fee Loan, Maintenance loan and Maintenance Grant. You are not obliged to take the loans or the maximum amount available to you – you can take some of it if you want.

For 2012 entry, you can apply from February 2012. The deadline for applying will be announced on the relevant website (below). You should complete your application in plenty of time to ensure funding is in place once you arrive at university.

Applications are made through the relevant website:

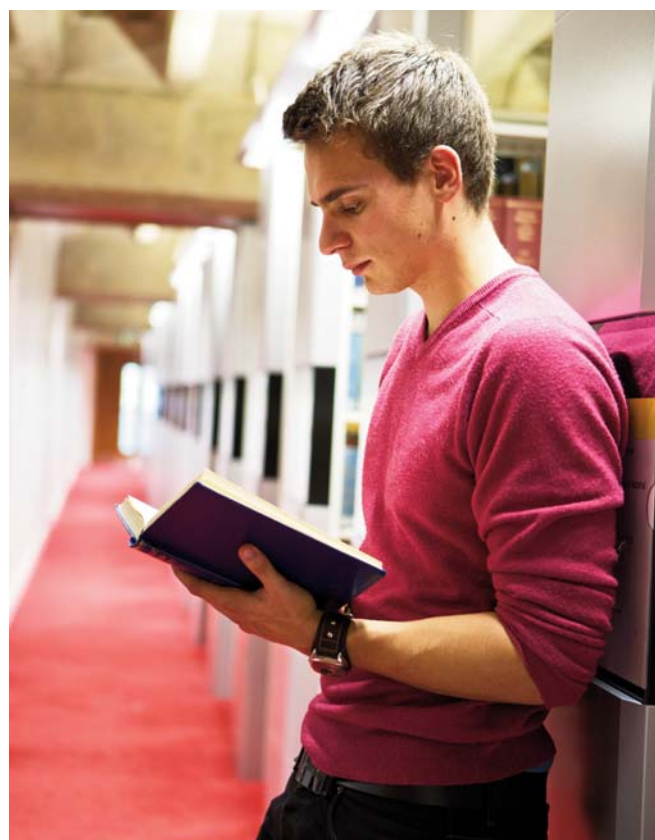
www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance if you are living in England

www.saas.gov.uk if you are living in Scotland

www.studentfinancewales.co.uk if you are living in Wales

www.studentfinancenl.co.uk if you are living in Northern Ireland

N.B. Information correct at time of going to print.



Other support from the University of Leicester

Care Leavers

Home students who have been living in Local Authority care may qualify for the University of Leicester Care Leavers' Bursary. This pays £1,000 for each year of undergraduate study. Please see www.le.ac.uk/welfare for more information.

CULN College Transition Scholarships

We are also offering the CULN College Transition Scholarship to 150 of the most deserving students entering the University from local colleges. It is a £1,000 cash scholarship awarded in the first year only. These will be publicised through your college if it is a CULN member.



Next Steps

You can see which of our scholarships you may qualify for with our University of Leicester Scholarship Calculator.

You can submit your predicted results, subject you wish to study and household income to see how much you may be entitled to. Visit www.le.ac.uk/fees/scholarshipcalculator

If you have any further questions or would like to speak to an adviser about finance, please get in touch with our Student Welfare Office.

Web: www.le.ac.uk/welfare · **Email:** welfare@le.ac.uk

Small Print

All information in this document refers to 2012 year of entry only.

1) Eligibility

1.1) Student Status

Students must be registered full-time at the University on 1 December 2012 to be able to receive a scholarship

1.2) Residence

England

If you live in England and are eligible to apply for home rate student funding from Student Finance England, you are eligible for these scholarships.

Scotland

If you live in Scotland you may be eligible to receive the

Chancellor's and Departmental Scholarships, but not the National Scholarship Programme. We are awaiting further information from the Scottish Parliament regarding any contribution to tuition fees.

Northern Ireland

If you live in Northern Ireland you are eligible to receive the Chancellor's and Departmental Scholarship, but not the National Scholarship Programme.

Wales

If you live in Wales you are not eligible to receive these scholarships. This is because the Welsh Assembly has decided to fund a fee waiver grant for students' tuition fees. Please see www.studentfinancewales.co.uk for more information.

Other EU countries

If you live in any other European Union country and eligible for EU rate funding from Student Finance England, you are liable to the same £9,000 tuition fee. You are eligible to receive the Chancellor's Scholarship or the Departmental Scholarship, but not the National Scholarship Programme.

Rest of the world

If you live outside the European Union and are liable for international fees you are not eligible to receive these scholarships. Separate funding arrangements exist for international students. Please see www.le.ac.uk/international

1.3) Number of Awards

You can only receive one of the following scholarship packages.

- Chancellor's Scholarship
- Departmental Scholarship
- University of Leicester National Scholarship Programme

1.4) CULN College Transition Scholarships

Students from CULN colleges may also receive the CULN Transition Scholarship in addition to any of the above scholarships. For more information please see www.le.ac.uk/fees

2) Eliahou Dangoor Scholarship

If you are intending to study Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) subjects and are eligible for the Chancellor's Scholarship you will receive half of it in the first year through the Eliahou Dangoor Scholarship Scheme, which generously supports the University's work.

3) Deferred Entry

3.1) Deferring from 2011 to 2012

If you applied in 2011 for deferred entry into 2012 you will fall under the 2012 funding arrangements detailed in this document.

3.2) Deferring from 2012 to 2013

University of Leicester scholarships are awarded for the relevant year of entry only. Therefore eligibility of students deferring their entry (i.e. starting their course in 2013) will be considered against the scholarship criteria for 2013, not 2012. The information here refers to 2012 year of entry only and may be subject to change (see section 7).

4) Studying Abroad, Year in Industry & M Level degrees

4.1) Erasmus and Other Years Abroad

If you are planning to do an Erasmus year as part of your degree (European exchange) or study abroad for a year that is not part of the Erasmus exchange scheme, we will charge £1,250 for this year. You will not be entitled to a scholarship for this year.

4.2) Year in Industry

If you take a year in industry, we propose that you pay £1,000. You will not be entitled to a scholarship for this year.

4.3) M Level Degrees

If you take an M level degree, you will pay a fee of £9,000 for years 1, 2 and 3 and £7,000 for the final year. You will not be entitled to the Chancellor's or Departmental Scholarship in addition to this discount in year 4. Students who have been awarded the National Scholarship Programme will receive the £1,000 cash during this final year, but not the tuition fee contribution.

5) Changing Courses

5.1) Transferring courses

Students changing degree programme within the first few weeks of University will still be eligible for any Chancellor's Scholarship or National Scholarship Programme award but may no longer be eligible for any Departmental Scholarship. If a student chooses to restart their degree in 2013, they will be re-considered against the scholarship criteria for 2013 and not 2012.

5.2) Transferring from another University

This will depend on your circumstances – please see www.le.ac.uk/fees for more information.

6) Other Students

6.1) Foundation Year Students

Foundation year students starting in 2012 will pay £6,000 for that year of study. The Chancellor's Scholarship, Departmental Scholarship and National Scholarship Programme will not be available for the foundation year, but foundation year students will be eligible to apply for any equivalent scholarships which may be available in 2013.

6.2) Mature Students

Mature students will pay the same fee as other students and are able to receive the same support. If you have attained an Access qualification you will automatically be entitled to support through the Departmental Scholarship scheme.

6.3) Part-time Students

Part-time students studying at least 25% of the intensity of a full-time course will also have access to a loan to cover the cost of their tuition fee.

6.4) Students studying a second degree

Students will pay the same fee, but are not entitled to University or Government support.

7) Changes to the Scholarship arrangements

The University reserves the right to make changes to these arrangements, withdraw aspects of the scheme or add new elements. Changes to the scheme will appear on our website and you should check back regularly for updates.

8) Appeal Process

There are a limited number of scholarships available, which are offered to the most suitable candidates on the basis of the criteria in this booklet. If you wish to appeal our decision, please email admissions@le.ac.uk

Scholarship Summary



Do you live in a household where income is less than £25,000?*

NO

Will you get AAA or equivalent in your final exams?***

YES

YES

From the University

You may be entitled to:

University of Leicester National Scholarship Programme

A £3,000 annual scholarship comprising £2,000 contribution towards your tuition fee plus £1,000 cash to help with living costs

You may apply for this Scholarship by 16 June 2012

From the Government

You will be entitled to:

Tuition Fee Loan

A non means-tested loan to cover your remaining tuition fee

Maintenance Loan

A means-tested loan to help you with living costs

Maintenance Grant

A full means-tested non-repayable grant of £3,250

From the University

You will be entitled to:

Chancellor's Scholarship

An annual contribution of £2,000 towards your tuition fee

You do not need to apply for this Scholarship

From the Government

You will be entitled to:

Tuition Fee Loan

A non means-tested loan to cover your remaining tuition fee

Maintenance Loan

A means-tested loan to help you with living costs

You may be entitled to:

Maintenance Grant

A means-tested non-repayable grant of up to £3,250



NO

Do you meet the entry requirement criteria of the Departmental Scholarship? **

YES

NO

From the University

You will be entitled to:

Departmental Scholarship

An annual contribution of £1,250 towards your tuition fee

You do not need to apply for this Scholarship

From the Government

You will be entitled to:

Tuition Fee Loan

A non means-tested loan to cover your remaining tuition fee

Maintenance Loan

A means-tested loan to help you with living costs

You may be entitled to:

Maintenance Grant

A means-tested non-repayable grant of up to £3,250

From the Government

You will be entitled to:

Tuition Fee Loan

A non means-tested loan to cover your tuition fee

Maintenance Loan

A means-tested loan to help you with living costs

You may be entitled to:

Maintenance Grant

A means-tested non-repayable grant of up to £3,250

* These thresholds are subject to additional modelling and may change. Check online for updated information

** Not available for Medicine applicants

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