



Warwickshire College
Higher Education

Full-time Higher Education Fees & Bursaries

Quality Higher Education - Excellent Value for Money

- ✓ Lower course fees than university ✓ Non-repayable bursaries and grants ✓ Excellent education

At Warwickshire College, you get proven high quality education in a supportive environment and with lower course fees. This leaflet provides fees and bursary information for our full-time higher education courses.*

Our courses fall into two cost bands depending on the need for specialist equipment and other resources. Whichever course you choose to study, you will get **value for money** and many students will be eligible for a bursary which does not have to be paid back.

Paying for your course

If your undergraduate course at Warwickshire College starts in 2010-11, it will fit into one of the following two cost bands: ♦

BAND A - £2,500 per academic year - This group includes courses in:

- Art and Design
- Business
- Computing
- Early Years
- Hair & Beauty

BAND B - £3,000 per academic year - This group includes courses in:

- Animal Welfare
- Engineering
- Equine
- Horticulture
- Veterinary Nursing

Some courses include a placement year where you can gain valuable experience in industry while earning a salary. In 2010/11, placement fees at Warwickshire College will be charged at £1,000. This covers the cost of monitoring and assessing your progress throughout your placement year.

We'll give you £750 towards your studies!*

We offer a generous annual bursary of £750 available to eligible full-time HE students from low income households. This money does not have to be paid back. If you are eligible for a full Maintenance Grant then you may also be eligible for a Warwickshire College bursary of £750. See the example on the next page.

*The information in this guide does not apply to courses with fees paid to the University of Worcester. Please contact Student Services on 0845 2177 414 or the University of Worcester for more information.

♦ Fees may increase each year in line with the rate of inflation.



Example - Sarah is on the first year of a full-time HND Computing course at Warwickshire College. The course is in Band A, so the tuition fee for the year will be £2,500. Sarah is eligible for the full Maintenance Grant, therefore she will also be entitled to a bursary from Warwickshire College. In her first year of study Sarah will receive:

Maintenance Grant: £2,906**
Warwickshire College Bursary: £750
Total non-repayable support: £3,656

Sarah can also apply for a Tuition Fee Loan and/or a Maintenance Loan. Taking this into consideration, she can choose how she covers the costs of tuition and living. These are two examples of how Sarah can use the money available to her:

- Choose to pay all or part of the £2,500 tuition fee when she enrolls. This means that Sarah has less or no fee-related debt to pay off and she will still have grant and bursary money left to help cover living costs over the year. Should she require more money, Sarah can also apply for a Maintenance Loan.
- Use the £3,656 of non-repayable support to help cover her living costs while studying in her first year and use a Tuition Fee Loan of £2,500 to pay for the cost of her course. Sarah can defer repayment of the loan until she has graduated and is earning over £15,000.



Please note: Before you enrol on any higher education course at Warwickshire College we will provide you with written details of your tuition fees over the duration of your course.

Maintenance grant

The Government's Maintenance Grant (previously known as the 'student grant') gives eligible full-time UK students up to £2,906 of financial help.

- Unlike a loan, this money does not need to be paid back.
- Students can apply each year for a Maintenance Grant.
- Grants will be paid to students in three instalments over the academic year.

Full or partial grants are available, and the amount of grant money you are entitled to is calculated using your household income.

Household income of up to £25,000** - for the academic year 2010 -11 you are likely to be entitled to the full Maintenance Grant of £2,906 per year.

Household income of £25,000 – £50,020** - for the academic year 2010 -11 you are entitled to a partial Maintenance Grant calculated on your household income.

Find out more about student finance at:

www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance

Maintenance loan

The Maintenance Loan (previously known as the 'student loan') is available to all higher education students. Students can apply for a Maintenance Loan for each year of their course. Students eligible for a Maintenance Grant can also apply for a Maintenance Loan.

If you choose to take out a Tuition Fee Loan and/or Maintenance Loan, you will start making repayments only after you have finished your course and your annual salary has reached over £15,000. It is also planned that any student can choose to take a repayment holiday of up to five years in total.

Contact us

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Fees detailed in this leaflet may not apply if you already hold a higher education qualification. If you are in this situation then please enquire at Student Services for more details.

If a student withdraws from their course more than three weeks after the course start date but before 1st December, they will be liable for one third of the tuition fee. If a student withdraws from their course after 1st December they will be required to pay their tuition fee in full. Please note that UK and other European nationals need to satisfy certain residency criteria to be eligible for the EU fees detailed in this leaflet and higher education financial support from the Government. Please call the student finance helpline on 0845 602 0583 for more information. Other available government funding includes non-repayable help for students with children and adult dependants, and for students with a disability. Students who do not satisfy these criteria will be charged overseas fees - please enquire at Student Services for more details.

Please note that all information on government funding may be subject to change.

**Figures relate to 2009/10 entry. At the time of going to print, 2010/11 figures were not yet confirmed by the government.