

Fee Limit Statement Template

Fee Limit Statement	
Name of provider	University of South Wales
Duration of fee limit statement & date of effect	1 August 2027 to 31 July 2028
Section 1 - Fee levels	
Section 1.1 – Fee levels or the determination of a fee level at each location	
Fee level	Location of course
Maximum Regulated Fee	2027/28 Academic Year University of South Wales Campuses Undergraduate and PGCE commencing after 31/07/2025
	2027/28 Academic Year Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama Undergraduate and PGCE commencing after 31/07/2025
	2027/28 Academic Year Bridgend College Campuses - Undergraduate Degree commencing after 31/07/2025 - Certificate of Higher Education commencing after 31/07/2025
	2027/28 Academic Year Cardiff and Vale College Campuses

	• Undergraduate Degree commencing after 31/07/2025 • Certificate of Higher Education commencing after 31/07/2025
	2027/28 Academic Year Coleg Gwent Campuses • Undergraduate Degree commencing after 31/07/2025 • Certificate of Higher Education commencing after 31/07/2025
	2027/28 Academic Year Coleg y Cymoedd Campuses • Undergraduate Degree commencing after 31/07/2025 • Certificate of Higher Education commencing after 31/07/2025
	2027/28 Academic Year Gower College Swansea Campuses • Undergraduate Degree commencing after 31/07/2025 • Certificate of Higher Education commencing after 31/07/2025
	2027/28 Academic Year The College Merthyr Tydfil • Undergraduate Degree commencing after 31/07/2025 • Certificate of Higher Education commencing after 31/07/2025
	2027/28 Academic Year NPTC Group Campuses • Undergraduate Degree commencing after 31/07/2025 • Certificate of Higher Education commencing after 31/07/2025

£9,000	2027/28 Academic Year University of South Wales Campuses Undergraduate and PGCE commencing before 01/08/2025
	2027/28 Academic Year Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama Undergraduate commencing before 01/08/2025
	2027/28 Academic Year Bridgend College Campuses - Undergraduate Degree commencing before 01/08/2025 - Certificate of Higher Education commencing before 01/08/2025
	2027/28 Academic Year Cardiff and Vale College Campuses - Undergraduate Degree commencing before 01/08/2025 - Certificate of Higher Education commencing before 01/08/2025
	2027/28 Academic Year Coleg Gwent Campuses - Undergraduate Degree commencing before 01/08/2025 - Certificate of Higher Education commencing before 01/08/2025
	2027/28 Academic Year Coleg y Cymoedd Campuses - Undergraduate Degree commencing before 01/08/2025 - Certificate of Higher Education commencing before 01/08/2025

	2027/28 Academic Year Gower College Swansea Campuses - Undergraduate Degree commencing before 01/08/2025 - Certificate of Higher Education commencing before 01/08/2025
	2027/28 Academic Year The College Merthyr Tydfil - Undergraduate Degree commencing before 01/08/2025 - Certificate of Higher Education commencing before 01/08/2025
	2027/28 Academic Year NPTC Group Campuses - Undergraduate Degree commencing before 01/08/2025 - Certificate of Higher Education commencing before 01/08/2025
£8,000	2027/28 Academic Year University of South Wales Campuses Foundation Degree Community Football Coaching and Development and Foundation Degree Community Sports Coaching and Development commenced after 01/08/2020 and before 01/08/2025
£7,500	2027/28 Academic Year Bridgend College Campuses - Foundation Degrees - Higher National Diploma - Higher National Certificate - Diploma of Higher Education
	2027/28 Academic Year

	Cardiff and Vale College Campuses • Foundation Degrees • Higher National Diploma • Higher National Certificate • Diploma of Higher Education
	2027/28 Academic Year Coleg Gwent Campuses • Foundation Degrees • Higher National Diploma • Higher National Certificate • Diploma of Higher Education
	2027/28 Academic Year Coleg y Cymoedd Campuses • Foundation Degrees • Higher National Diploma • Higher National Certificate • Diploma of Higher Education
	2027/28 Academic Year Gower College Swansea Campuses • Foundation Degrees • Higher National Diploma • Higher National Certificate • Diploma of Higher Education
	2027/28 Academic Year The College Merthyr Tydfil

	• Foundation Degrees • Higher National Diploma • Higher National Certificate • Diploma of Higher Education
	2027/28 Academic Year NPTC Group Campuses • Foundation Degrees • Higher National Diploma • Higher National Certificate • Diploma of Higher Education
£1,350	2027/28 Academic Year University of South Wales Campuses • Undergraduate Degree overseas placements
£1,000	2027/28 Academic Year University of South Wales Campuses • Undergraduate Degree Sandwich placements
Section 1.2 - Aggregate fee levels	
The maximum fee for home students on full-time undergraduate courses is governed by the Welsh Government. The maximum fee USW may charge to a student for each year of a course may increase where the Welsh Government increases the permitted level of inflation for fees. While it is not possible to predict whether there may be an increase or how much the increase may be, please note that it was increased from £9,000 to £9,250 by the Welsh Government in February 2024, from £9,250 to £9,535 in December 2024, and from £9,535 to £9,790 in December 2025. Any change to fees will be communicated to students in good time before the start of the academic year in which the fee will change.	

Students entering full-time undergraduate courses in 2027/28 who complete their studies in the prescribed course duration (i.e. who aren't required to repeat any stage of their studies) will be charged the fees outlined in section 1.1 per annum until completion. For example, a student enrolling on a three-year undergraduate course at one of the University's campuses in 2026/27 that progresses through the course without having to repeat a module will be charged the maximum regulated fee, currently £9,790 in each academic year (subject to the paragraph above) and, if that fee remains the same in each academic year, amounts to an aggregate total fee of £29,370. A student enrolling on a four-year undergraduate course will be charged the maximum regulated fee, currently £9,790 in each academic year (subject to the paragraph above), and, if that fee remains the same in each academic year, amounts to an aggregate total fee of £39,160. Students will be charged for repeated studies, and the aggregate fee could therefore be higher.

If the Welsh Government announces a permitted uplift, the Board of Governors of USW will make a decision on any uplift to be charged for the 2027/28 academic year at the earliest opportunity. For any prospective student looking to commence their studies in 2027/28, the decision will be made and communicated by USW before the applicant has been made an offer of a place. For any returning students in 2027/28, the decision for the relevant academic year will be made and communicated to the student before the start of the relevant academic year. We will ensure that students are given clear, intelligible, unambiguous and timely information about any increase in fees in good time, ahead of the next academic year.

USW is committed to ensuring that the information we provide to prospective and current students is both transparent and accessible and in line with sector good practice as defined by 'Information for Students: A guide to providing information to prospective undergraduate students'¹. We provide accurate and timely information on the costs students are likely to incur over the period of their course, what is covered in the fees charged, and the financial support available. Each course webpage provides detail on the tuition fee chargeable and any additional costs of study (for example please see [MChiro](#)).

The University uses a variety of communication methods to provide information that can be accessed from websites, social media platforms and printed materials. This is accompanied by explanatory information, advice and guidance provided orally to prospective students, parents (where relevant) and their advisors. We ensure that students can access information on fees in various formats which best meet their needs: online, on paper and face to face. Communications are undertaken in-line with the University's Student Charter, Welsh Language Scheme and Strategic Equality Plan.

¹ https://www.officeforstudents.org.uk/media/2db81e6b-e4c7-4867-bc5d-ff67539d13e8/guide_to_providing_info_to_students.pdf

- ❖ **Our Website** is the main source of up-to-date information on tuition fee levels for prospective and current students. Every course offered is listed on our website and the UCAS/CUKAS website where the maximum fee will be shown. **We are compliant, and have an on-going commitment to, our obligations under consumer protection law (the Consumer Rights Act 2015) and Competition & Markets Authority (CMA) guidelines for higher education.** We will continue to ensure that prospective students are given clear, intelligible, unambiguous and timely information about our courses and costs ensuring they are fully informed at the application, offer and enrolment stages.
- ❖ **Franchised students** – we ensure that our further education partner colleges are fully consulted on fee levels to be charged for our provision and this is then relayed by the colleges to prospective students through website or one-to-one discussion.

We also provide information through:

- ❖ The University prospectus.
- ❖ The University's schools and colleges liaison programme (encompassing on and off campus visits, newsletters and specialist events).
- ❖ Communications to prospective students via email campaigns and social media.
- ❖ Open days and applicant days; and
- ❖ Via our Student Money Advice Team.

In accordance with our Fees & Debt Management Policy (August 2023)², some postgraduate and part-time tuition fees are subject to annual increases. We will ensure that there are no hidden costs to study. Where additional mandatory costs by exception are unavoidable, e.g. international field trips, the purchase of instruments, DBS checks etc., these costs are clearly identified.

Financial Support Available to Students

- ❖ A dedicated Student Finance section on the University website, managed by the University's Student Money Advice Team³, provides detailed information and guidelines on the financial support packages available to USW students.
- ❖ We will note any changes to the DSA support arrangements in Wales and ensure that we continue to fulfil our commitment to the Equality Act 2010.
- ❖ Links are provided to other sources of information including the Student Finance Wales website (and equivalents).

² [Fees Debt Management Policy 2023-24_x6wXFFw.pdf \(uswvarious1.blob.core.windows.net\)](#)

³ <https://www.southwales.ac.uk/study/fees-and-funding/>

- ❖ The Student Money Advice Team at the University is also available for prospective students who might wish to seek advice on the specific financial support available to them, or who might have an issue regarding financing their studies, and can also assist students in applying for support.
- ❖ Franchised students will be able to access financial support at their Colleges. We encourage partner colleges in particular to set aside tuition fee income for hardship funding, alongside continuing their support for access and student experience.

Communication of Change

- ❖ Any formal changes to courses will be undertaken in line with the University's Academic Regulations procedures and processed throughout the University's Committee Structures which include student representatives.
- ❖ Changes are communicated to students through course handbooks and online through the student portal, our course pages on Blackboard and through our network of course representatives.

Authorisation of the fee limit statement (required for publication)

In authorising the fee limit statement applications, the governing body (or equivalent):

- i. has seen and considered appropriate evidence to support the declarations being made in this application;
- ii. confirms that there has been appropriate consultation with the student union or other representative bodies, both those studying at the provider and at other providers where education is delivered on its behalf, and therefore reflects the input of students on the proposed fee structures and their potential impact on access and inclusion
- iii. confirms that additional course costs (e.g. materials, field trips) are provided in accessible formats, such as course webpages or offer letters.
- iv. confirms that the information provided in this fee limit statement is accurate and current, at the time of writing, and is based on verifiable data;
- v. confirms that all qualifying courses to which statutory fee limits apply (either by the provider or on its behalf) and regardless of the level or location of the provision, has been taken into account in this statement;
- vi. understands that any financial commitments to students made in the fee limit statement, as approved by Medr, **must** be honoured;
- vii. confirms that it will maintain student support levels;
- viii. confirms that the provider will ensure that a copy of the fee limit statement can be made accessible to its students and prospective students in any reasonable format;
- ix. gives due consideration to any guidance published by Medr as it discharges its duties in relation to the Tertiary Education and Research (Wales) Act 2022

Fee limit statement submission to Medr ⁴	
Date of governing body (or equivalent) approval:	23 June 2026
Governing body (or equivalent) authorised signature:	
Date:	24 June 2026
Final fee limit statement submission once Medr has confirmed it has no further issues (where applicable)	
Date of governing body (or equivalent) approval:	
Governing body authorised (or equivalent) signature:	
Date:	

⁴ Fee limit statements published on the provider's websites **must** only include versions approved by Medr.