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SCHOLARSHIPS, FUNDING AND FEES

There are a number of ways to fund postgraduate study at Plymouth University, from scholarships to bank loans, or grants from charitable trusts. Here are some of the ways in which you can fund your studies.

SOURCES OF FUNDING

Postgraduate Loans
Students starting a postgraduate masters programme in 2016 will be able to apply for a Postgraduate Loan through Student Finance England. These non-means tested loans for up to £10,000 can help to pay for tuition fees and living costs. Applications should be made through Student Finance England from Summer 2016 - please visit their website regularly for updates and eligibility: www.gov.uk/funding-for-postgraduate-study

Professional and Career Development Loans
The UK government offers Professional and Career Development Loans, which can fund postgraduate study, to home students for vocational education or training. For an application pack or further details please visit: www.gov.uk/career-development-loans/

Trusts and charities
Some trusts and charities may be able to contribute to the costs of postgraduate research. Useful publications such as the Awards Almanac, the Educational Grants Directory and the Grants Register provide further information and are available in libraries and careers offices. For more information on the Education Grants Register please visit: www.educationalgrants.co.uk/

Employer sponsorship
Many employers sponsor employees as part of their career development. Candidates who are in employment should consider asking their employers whether they can assist with the funding of postgraduate study. For up-to-date information: studentfunding@plymouth.ac.uk

University research scholarships
Applications from non-UK/EU students are welcome with the expectation that they secure funds to meet any difference in fee level. For more information about funding opportunities is available at: www.plymouth.ac.uk/postgradresearch/pgresearchstudentships

British Council Awards
The British Council offers a number of awards for international students studying in the UK. Further details can be obtained from: www.britishcouncil.org.

Postgraduate taught students: please note that if you study part time, the fees charged to you annually will be calculated based on the 'per 10 credit' tariff applicable for each year of study. Fees are not fixed at the year of entry and may therefore be subject to increase. Details of our fees for 2015/16 are overleaf.

Additional fees
Some programmes, particularly professional business courses, may charge a different fee from the standard amount, and confirmation should be sought from the appropriate faculty. Some taught programmes have field trip expenses in addition to tuition fees. Some research programmes have additional bench fees to cover laboratory/workshop costs.

Living expenses
Accommodation, meals and other personal expenditure are not included in fees. We recommend a minimum maintenance allowance of at least £3,600 each year for a single student (for the full calendar year) and more for students with families or dependants.

Tuition fees
All postgraduate students are required to pay tuition fees annually on enrolment. Fees should be paid in full at the time of enrolment or in two equal instalments with 50% at enrolment and the remainder at the start of your second semester. Postgraduate research students starting in January or April would be expected to pay the full academic year fee at enrolment. If sponsorship or a scholarship is held, documentary evidence that tuition fees will be paid must be provided. If you are to be sponsored, please ensure that your sponsor is fully aware of their financial responsibilities and the amount of time your studies will take to complete.

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