

# **PUBLISHED FEES POLICY**



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# 1. Introduction

QA Higher Education is committed to be as proactive as possible when it sets the tuition fees for future academic years. This is to ensure prospective students are provided with the information they require to make an informed decision to study with us.

# 2. When we publish our fees

We intend to publish future tuition fees a minimum of 12 months before the start of that academic year.

We intend to start the process by beginning our internal process 15 months prior to that academic year. In recognition of the differing requirements of our students, we will prioritise:

- Pathway provisions Level 3 and 4 International students only
- Centres/Branch campus provisions:
  - o Level 6 and 7 International and UK/EU students
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## 3. Who sets our fees: QA and its partners

We work in partnership with universities to recruit, market and deliver a range of programmes. Our partnerships are diverse, and as such, the policies in place for tuition fee setting differ, as a result of our contractual agreements with our partners and each partner's own process.

Where QA has responsibility for setting tuition fee levels, these are determined by QA Higher Education's Senior Management Team. In other partnership agreements, tuition fees are set by the university partner.

#### 4. How fees are determined

As is standard within the Higher Education industry, fees are determined by fee status which is dependant on nationality and country of residence.

Typically these fall within the following categories:

- UK/EU students\*
- Overseas students outside of the EU

Please note this excludes Degree Apprenticeship funding.

#### UK/EU – Undergraduate\*

The funding for undergraduate studies for UK/EU students are set by the UK Parliament in the form of a fee cap. This fee cap is subject to annual review and is not expected to rise by more than RPI each year.

Where fees are set by QA, it is our current policy to set our fees at the level of the cap set by the government.

#### UK/EU – Postgraduate\*

These are either set by our university partner or are agreed by QA Higher Education's Senior Management Team.



\*As per the UK Government's announcement on 23 June 2020, EU, other EEA and Swiss nationals will no longer be eligible for home fee status or be eligible for Student Finance England support from the 2021/22 academic year.

## **Overseas – Undergraduate and Postgraduate**

These are either set by our university partner or are agreed by QA Higher Education's Senior Management Team.

# **UK/EU - Degree Apprenticeships**

The funding bands for Degree Apprenticeships are set by the Institute for Apprenticeships and are paid for by either the Apprenticeship Levy or through coinvestment, depending on the employer.

This Policy is owned, managed and approved by the Future Students and Learners Sub-Committee.