

## **IPLS TUITION FEES FOR 2021-2022**

### **Barrister and Solicitor Courses**

**2021-2022 : £10,100**

### **Transferring Barristers to Solicitors, transferring Solicitors to Barristers and Scottish Solicitors transferring**

**2021-2022 : £2,350**

### **Bar trainees**

The tuition fee of £10,100 will be payable within the academic year 2021-2022.

### **Solicitor trainees**

The tuition fee will be split between the two academic years. The tuition fee for the first academic year (September 2021 - June 2022) will be approximately £6,817.50. The remainder of the fees (approximately £3,282.50) will be payable in the second academic year (September 2022 – June 2023).

The Student Finance Framework for the academic year 2021-22 is available at <https://www.qub.ac.uk/Study/Feesandfinance/FileStore/Filetoupload,1007894,en.pdf>

## **PAY YOUR TUITION FEES**

How you pay your tuition fees will depend on whether you are externally funded, self funded or internally funded.

You may be considered to be an externally funded student if you are receiving financial support from the Student Loans Company or a government funding body, being funded by a sponsor or in receipt of an educational loan.

You may be considered to be a self funded student if you are funding your own studies, getting financial help from family or friends, or are receiving financial assistance directly from an external funder.

You may be considered to be an internally funded student if you are receiving a University scholarship or funding which cover the full cost of your tuition fees and is not paid directly to you.

Find out the various ways you can pay your tuition fees, or pay a deposit towards your tuition fees, if you are externally funded or self funded:

## **EXTERNALLY FUNDED**

### **WHAT DOES EXTERNALLY-FUNDED MEAN?**

You may be considered an externally-funded student if you are:

- receiving a tuition fee student loan
- receiving financial support from your government
- funded by an external sponsor
- receiving an educational loan

If you are receiving funds for your tuition fees directly from your sponsor to pay the University then you are considered to be a self funded student.

In the event that all or part of a student's tuition fees are not paid on their behalf by an organisation, authority or sponsor, then the student will become personally liable to pay the tuition fees to the University.

## **[Student Loans Company \(including SAAS\)](#)**

### Undergraduate students

Eligible NI, GB and ROI students will be able to borrow the full cost of tuition from the Government, in the form of a tuition fee loan. The tuition fee loan is not currently means-tested and is available to all eligible students.

Students can apply online for a tuition fee loan, maintenance loan and grant at the following links:

**[Student Finance NI](#)**

**[Student Finance England](#)**

**[Student Finance Wales](#)**

**[Student Finance Scotland](#)**

If you are an undergraduate NI, GB or ROI student, with a confirmed tuition fee loan from the Student Loans Company (SLC), which covers your full tuition fees, we will confirm this directly with the SLC.

Students from Scotland must submit their notification of tuition fee funding by email to **[studentfinance@qub.ac.uk](mailto:studentfinance@qub.ac.uk)**

If you wish to be automatically assessed for the **[Queen's Bursary](#)** please ensure that you agree to share your financial information from your student finance application with the University.

### Postgraduate students

Students normally resident in **Northern Ireland** can apply online for a tuition fee loan at **[Student Finance NI](#)**. Your tuition fee loan will be paid directly to the University on your behalf.

Students normally resident in **Scotland** can apply online for a tuition fee loan at **[Student Finance Scotland](#)**. Your tuition fee loan will be paid directly to the University on your behalf.

Students normally resident in **England and Wales** can apply online for a tuition fee loan at **[Students resident in England and Wales](#)**. Your tuition fee loan is paid directly to you. Therefore students funding their Masters with this loan, must pay a minimum 33% deposit payment at enrolment, followed by equal payments at the end of January and April. These dates are in line with the loan instalment payment dates.

To sign up to this arrangement students should download and complete a [Payment Plan](#) application form and return this to [studentfinance@qub.ac.uk](mailto:studentfinance@qub.ac.uk)

### **External Sponsor**

All sponsored students must submit a sponsor letter on official letter-headed paper from their sponsor which provides the following details:

- Student name
- Sponsor contact name
- Address to which invoices should be sent by the University
- Contact Telephone Number
- Contact Email Address
- Amount of Sponsorship
- Duration of Sponsorship

A sponsor letter will need to be provided at the beginning of each academic year, at enrolment and registration, for the duration of the sponsorship. The sponsor letter can be uploaded in the E&R Portal during registration.

An invoice will be issued to sponsors in early November 2020. Payment is due 30 days from the date of invoice.

The tuition fee liability will revert to the student if fees remains outstanding after the due date.

Suspensions will be applied should these fees continue to remain outstanding.

Sponsor letters not uploaded in the E&R Portal can be emailed to [sponsors@qub.ac.uk](mailto:sponsors@qub.ac.uk)

## **SELF FUNDED**

### **WHAT DOES SELF FUNDED MEAN?**

You may be considered to be a self funded student if you are:

- funding your own studies
- getting financial help from family or friends

- receiving financial assistance directly from an external funder (excluding educational loans from a government agency)

We encourage payment in advance of your arriving at the University at the start of your studies to avoid unnecessary delays or problems transferring funds, especially for international students. We offer a number of online payment options which support all major credit/debit cards.

## **Deposit Payment**

**Applicants who are required to pay a deposit as a formal condition of their offer, or in advance of receiving a CAS, should pay by Flywire as indicated below.**

**Please note we DO NOT accept payments in cash for Tuition Fees.**

### **Card payment (Online via QSIS)**

You can pay your tuition fees by credit or debit card. The University accepts Visa and Mastercard.

### **Bank transfer, cards and alternative payment methods in your local currency (Flywire)**

Queen's University Belfast has partnered with Flywire to provide a simple and cost-effective payment method. This payment method allows international and home students to pay in their local currency.

Flywire allows you to:

- Pay in over 150 currencies
- Save money on bank fees and exchange
- Pay from any country and any bank
- Pay by bank transfer, credit and debit card and e-wallet solutions including Alipay & Paypal
- Track your payment online 24/7
- Receive email and text updates regarding your payment status
- 24/7 dedicated multilingual customer support

## **Instalment Plan - Direct Debit**

**Please note that Direct Debit applications for 2020-21 are now closed and the text below is for information only.**

**Direct Debit applications for 2021-22 will re-open in August 2021.**

If you would like to pay your tuition fees in instalments you can choose to sign up to either a **Direct Debit Plan** or a **Payment Plan**.

### **What is a Direct Debit?**

A Direct Debit is an instruction from you to your bank/building society to authorise Queen's University to collect tuition fee payments from your bank account. Direct Debit safeguards and guarantees mean that no changes in the amount, date or frequency to be debited can be made without notifying you at least 10 working days in advance of your account being debited. In the event of any error, you are entitled to an immediate refund from your bank or building society. You have the right to cancel a Direct Debit Instruction at any time simply by writing to your bank or building society with a copy to us.

### **Setting up a Direct Debit**

This can be set up by you, a parent, guardian, relative or friend but they must have a **UK bank account**. Most UK current accounts at banks and building societies will accept a Direct Debit Instruction but it is the account holder's responsibility to check this with their bank or building society.

#### *Online Direct Debit Set-up*

The online process for setting up a Direct Debit Instruction will be available in August 2021.

In order to set up your online Direct Debit Instruction you will need to provide the following information: Bank or building society name, account number and sort code (your cheque book contains all the bank details that you require).

The account holder must complete the online Direct Debit Instruction. The online Direct Debit instruction cannot be used if it is a business account or more than one person is required to authorise debits on this account. A paper Direct Debit Instruction will need to be completed in these circumstances.

**If your online direct debit application fails you must complete a paper Direct Debit Instruction available below.**

### **Paper Direct Debit Instruction**

The paper Direct Debit Instruction is available by downloading [DD Mandate](#). Please fill in the Student Number in the field entitled Reference.

If the account holder signing up to pay by direct debit is not the student, they must submit a copy of a form of ID with the account holders address. This must be sent with the paper Direct Debit Instruction to allow verification of identity. Failure to provide this will mean your paper Direct Debit Instruction cannot be validated or collected.

Please return the completed instruction (and ID if applicable) by post to the Student Finance Office, Student Guidance Centre, University Road, Belfast BT7 1NN.

### **25% Deposit Due at Enrolment**

To be eligible to avail of the Direct Debit instalment plan you must first pay 25% of your tuition fees either by **Card payment (Online via Qsis)** or by **Bank transfer, cards and alternative payment methods (Flywire)** above.

These payment methods can also be accessed via the E&R Portal when completing your financial registration.

The remaining 75% balance will be collected directly from your bank account by Direct Debit on the instalment dates below.

Details of your Direct Debit Instruction detailing payment dates and amounts will be sent to you no later than 10 working days before the first collection date.

#### *Collection Dates:*

25% Payment at Registration (paid in advance of setting up the Direct Debit Instruction)

25% 30 November 2020

25% 31 January 2021

25% 31 March 2021

If you have any queries or problems setting up your direct debit instruction please email [directdebits@qub.ac.uk](mailto:directdebits@qub.ac.uk) or telephone 02896 202020.

## **STUDENT FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

Financial support is available to students experiencing financial difficulties whilst studying and comprises two funds, the Department for the Economy (DfE) Student Support Fund and the University's Hardship Fund. Further support is provided through the Queen's Bursary and the Care Leavers Bursary.

For further information please see link below:

<https://www.qub.ac.uk/Study/Feesandfinance/student-financial-support/>