



HE SUPPORT 2019/20

**Full Time and Part Time Courses
September 2019 Entry**

**HOWCOLLEGE.AC.UK
08448 802500**



**HEART OF
WORCESTERSHIRE
COLLEGE**

The cost of your studies is an important consideration for any prospective student, so to help you as you choose your course we have listed the tuition fees that are applicable for full and part time students entering College for the next academic year.

Tuition Fees

Course	Year 1 (2019/20)	Year 2 (2020/21)
HND/Foundation Degree courses - Full Time	1st year £8,000	2nd year £8,000
BA (Hons) Degree in Social Work - Full Time	1st year £8,650	2nd year £8,650
HND/Foundation Degree courses - Part Time	1st year £4,000	2nd year £4,000

You can choose to pay your fees in full, or you can apply for a tuition fee loan.

Student Finance

Help with the costs of Higher Education

If you are planning to go into higher education you may be able to apply for financial support from the government to help you cover the costs.

Student Loans from the Government

All eligible students can get help with tuition fees and living costs through Student Loans. There are two types of Student Loans per academic year:

- A tuition fee loan for fees - to cover the cost of your tuition fees in full
- A maintenance loan - to help with living expenses (how much you get depends on your household income)

Applying for Loans & Grants

You can apply for your Student Loan and Tuition Fee Loan on the same application form. It's best to apply well before the start of the academic year: apply for finance as soon as possible after you've made your course application. You don't need a confirmed place at College to apply. Applications may be made on-line or by completing a paper form. For further information please see www.gov.uk/studentfinance

Boost Awards

If your household income is under £25,000 and you're not receiving any additional funding i.e. NHS Social Work Bursary you may be eligible for a boost award. Boost application forms are available from all College reception desks from the 1st July onwards, or by e-mailing studentfinance@howcollege.ac.uk or calling **01527 572741**. The closing date for applications is 7th October 2019. Payments are made at the end of November, January and May.

Hardship Funds

Hardship funds may be available for students struggling to pay course related costs or for a one off emergency which may prevent you from attending college. To receive support from the hardship fund you must have applied for the full Student Finance package available to you i.e. full maintenance loan. Support will not normally be provided from both Boost and Hardship. Hardship can also be provided towards DSA assessment costs.

Disabled Students Allowance

If you have a disability, you can apply for an allowance to help meet the extra course costs that arise from a direct result of a disability or specific learning difficulty.

For further information please contact Heather License via the Learning Centres or telephone the DSA helpline number, please see overleaf.

Overseas Students

Students who are European Union nationals for three years before their course begins pay the same fees as British students. Most full-time EU students will be able to apply for a student loan for tuition fees.

Students from outside the EU pay a different rate, for further details please see our separate information sheet for overseas students.

Late Enrolments

Students joining a course late are subject to the full course fee.

When do I need to pay my tuition fees?

All tuition fees are payable on completion of an enrolment form unless you are entitled to an exemption. Fees may be paid by cash, credit or debit card, cheque or in instalments via our recurring card payments (RCP) system. Our Advice staff are available to discuss various payment methods prior to the start of your course. Tuition fees are payable each college year.

Please note you are liable for the full years tuition fees even if you withdraw from your course part way through the academic year.

Refunds

As stated in the terms and conditions on all enrolment forms, refunds are only issued in exceptional circumstances. To request a refund please complete a Tuition Fee Refund Request form available from our website webapps.howcollege.ac.uk/RefundRequests/RefundRequest/Create.

Where can I get more advice and information about the cost of study?

If you are unsure about whether or not you will be required to pay fees or if you would like to study but can't afford it, please contact our Advice Centres.

Further information

Advice Centres

First point of contact for all course and college information

Redditch and Bromsgrove

01527 572522

Worcester and Malvern

01905 725555

Disabled Student Allowance (DSA)

Free Helpline

0800 328 5050

Opening hours

Tuesday 11.30 - 13.30
& Thursday 13.30 - 15.30

Website

www.gov.uk/disabled-students-allowances-dsas/overview

Financial Support

Help with financial issues connected with coming to College, contact Student Finance Team,

Redditch and Bromsgrove

01527 572522

Worcester and Malvern

01905 725555

Student Finance England

Contact

0300 100 0607

Opening hours

Monday to Friday, 8am to 8pm,
Saturday, 9am to 4pm

Website

www.gov.uk/student-finance

Tuition Fee Payment

Contact Finance Department

01905 743573