



Tuition fees

Research degrees

2020-21

Important notes about fees

The fees outlined within this document apply to all students whose initial date of registration falls on or between 1 August 2020 and 31 July 2021. All students pay the tuition fee set by the University for the full duration of their registration period agreed at their initial registration.

Fee eligibility at the Home/EU rate is determined with reference to UK Government regulations. As a guiding principle, EU nationals (including UK) who are ordinarily resident in the EU pay Home/EU tuition fees, all other students (including those from the Channel Islands and Isle of Man) pay Overseas fees.

European Union students applying for university places in the 2020-21 academic year will still have access to student funding support. Please see the [UK Government's announcement](#) (28 May 2019). Cranfield University welcomes applications from students from all over the world for our postgraduate programmes. The Home/EU student fees listed continue to apply to EU students.

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A tuition fee deposit of £500 is required when accepting an offer of admission for courses starting on 1 February 2021 onwards. Deposits will be deducted from the cost of the tuition fee and are usually non-refundable, except where an acceptance of offer is withdrawn within 14 calendar days of paying the deposit, or where there are exceptional and unforeseen circumstances that prevent an applicant taking up their place. Please read our guidance on [refunding tuition fee deposits](#).

For some research courses, an Additional Fee Element (AFE) will be payable in addition to the published research tuition fee. The AFE covers additional costs associated with, for example; programme management support, support from specialist laboratory technicians, access to specific technical equipment, facilities and analytic equipment. The AFE is chargeable at 'Technical' and 'Non-technical' rates, 'Non-technical' research degrees will normally be desk-based projects. Note that there may be some desk-based projects which rely on the existence of the University's technical infrastructure and these will be classed as 'Technical'.

An extra, bespoke AFE may also be added to either the 'Non-Technical' or to the 'Technical' AFE. This is to cover Non-standard costs which are incurred as a direct consequence of the research degree, e.g. significant external expertise, equipment or resources bought into Cranfield specifically for the project.

All studentships (Home and Overseas) may attract an extra Direct Operational Cost (DOC) if the project is likely to require particularly expensive consumables e.g. enzymes. This cost should be discussed with the supervisor and will be included in the offer letter.

As each research project is different, the AFE and DOC are calculated on a student by student basis. Applicants will be able to discuss whether or not their course will incur an AFE, and at what level, with their proposed supervisor. Any agreed AFE and/or DOC will be included in the offer letter for the course even if it is not being charged directly to the student.

Additional charges will apply for extensions of registration. This will be made up of a monthly extension fee plus the AFE on a pro rata basis. Therefore the amount charged will depend on the duration of extension.

All prices are on a per annum basis.

	Full-time		Part-time		Non-technical AFE		Technical AFE		Typical duration		Monthly extension fee	
	Home/EU	Overseas	Home/EU	Overseas	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	Home/EU	Overseas
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)	£4,407.00 ¹	£18,870.00	£2,203.50 ¹	£9,435.00	£2,500.00	£1,250.00	£7,500.00	£3,750.00	3 years	6 years	£355.00 ¹	£1,500.00
Doctor of Engineering (EngD)	£4,407.00 ¹	£18,870.00	-	-	£2,500.00	-	£7,500.00	-	4 years	-	£355.00 ¹	£1,500.00
Doctor of Business Administration (DBA)	-	-	£17,000.00 ² £11,000.00 ³	£17,000 ² £11,000 ³	-	£1,250.00	-	N/A	-	4 years	£550.00	£550.00
Master of Philosophy (MPhil)	£4,407.00 ¹	£18,870.00	£2,203.50 ¹	£9,435.00	£2,500.00	£1,250.00	£7,500.00	£3,750.00	2 years	4 years	£355.00 ¹	£1,500.00
Master of Science by Research (MSc by Research) ⁴	£9,000.00	£18,870.00	£4,500.00	£9,435.00	-	-	-	-	1 year	2 years	£750.00	£1,500.00

¹ Prices are based on the current annual fee rate set by UK Research and Innovation (UKRI).

² Price for years 1 and 2.

³ Price for years 3 and 4.

⁴ AFE will not normally apply.